

Minutes of the Committee Meeting of Nottinghamshire Orienteering Club

Date	Monday 11th April 2022	
Time	7.30 pm	
Location	via Zoom	
Attendees	Dave Schorah (DS), Jane Booker (JB), Pauline Olivant (PO), Hilary Palmer (HP), Mick Lucking (ML), Dave Cooke (DC), Julie Webster (JW), Dave Sissons (DSi), Ant Squire (AS), Andrew Ridgway (AR)	
Summary		

Item	Notes	Action
1	<p>Apologies and Last Meeting's Minutes Apologies from Vic Knight (VC) and Simon Elliott (SE).</p> <p>The minutes were accepted.</p> <p>Matters Arising</p> <p>There were no matters arising.</p>	

2	<p>a) Club Development</p> <p>VK has been working on ways to encourage newcomers. The event at Gedling was not very successful due to the awful weather. The event at the University attracted more people and the newcomers have all been followed up. VK has produced a report on how people are responding to facebook posts and then following up by going to the newcomers part of the website.</p> <p>Newark and Sherwood have approved a grant for permanent orienteering courses. There are three in the pipeline with Ollerton Pit Wood having the posts put in on Wednesday.</p> <p>AS is planning to put on a 'try orienteering' for members of Holme Pierrepont running club during the summer. If this is successful this may be rolled out to other running clubs who have members from NOC.</p> <p>At the Shireoaks event a local family took part but despite some coaching before they started they failed to punch the finish. We need to have enough volunteers so we can explain how things work for newcomers. The team for Explore the Parks were well rehearsed on how to introduce people to the sport and this needs to be passed on to other volunteers.</p> <p>Other ideas to encourage people to enter would be keeping the entries open longer than 30 minutes after the first start and having notices at venues before the event to publicise it. This would involve more manpower and increased travel before the event. VK is also developing new visual templates to make our publicity more attractive to prospective participants.</p> <p>b) Coaching: Couch to Green Plans</p> <p>Following the online Development Conference organised by BOF, specifically the club development officer approach, we are looking into the possibility of putting on two blocks of weekly 'events' for four weeks with some online activities in between. It is hoped that the format used by CLOK will be shared via BOF to avoid 'recreating the wheel'</p> <p>c) Environmental Impact of Events</p> <p>We can make a start on this by having information on public transport to events on all pre event information. DC agreed to find this information and add it to the 'information for organisers' that is sent out for each event.</p> <p>d) Non Renewals</p> <p>Reminders were sent to members who have not renewed. A positive response has been for some members which leaves 14 outstanding. Some of these we are aware are not renewing, some are recent joiners. JB agreed to follow up a couple of outstanding lapsed members.</p>	<p>HP</p> <p>DC</p> <p>JB</p>
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3 Reports

a) Treasurers Report

We have a good balance in the account. We made a loss at Gedling CP but a profit at the University event. Accounts are not yet finalised for the Midland Championships. Assistant controllers expenses will be donated to the Orienteering Foundation.

b) Mapping Report

Mapping was discussed with the fixtures.

c) Fixtures Report

Plans are being made for an 'Explore the Parks' series from June to August.

Other points from fixtures:

- A controller is needed to change the Retford Urban from level D to level C
- The Meadows requires permissions (DC) and a map update ?DS
- 9th October Oxclose Woods (will need a map update)
- Boundary and Tippings Wood delayed due to Covid
- Christmas Event at Sherwood Pines needs to be level C if possible
- RHT and Midlands Champs at Clumber another delayed event. All ok at the moment
- 2023 Watchwood and Calverton. ? map ready. May suit level D. Previous planner not available. ?now on 19th March
- April 23rd or May14th Bestwood or Byron's Walk. Not known what these areas are like re undergrowth
- EMUL Newark or Southwell, June or July

d) EMOA Report

An up to date list of our active controllers was requested to be coordinated and circulated by EMOA

A mapping learning course is almost ready through BOF. SE is willing to test this.

e) Coaching Report

See above.

f) Club Captain Report

We need a venue for the Club Championships. Options are DVO at Calke Park 25th Sept or Linacre Woods 13th November. Calke was preferred. ML to contact DVO.

4 Any Other Business

ML requested emails of new members.

DS will be standing down as chairman at the AGM.

5 Next meeting Monday 20th June 2022 at 7.30. The link for the meeting will be sent out before the meeting.

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