



Berkshire Orienteers

Minutes of the Committee Meeting

7.00pm 11th January 2022

Zoom

Present: Stefan Stasiuk (Chair), Derick Mercer (Secretary), Bo Oqvist, Mark Foxwell, & Peter Entwistle (Treasurer), Fiona Clough, Ian Hudson, Brian Sewell & John Methven.

Apologies: Simon Moore, Trish Monks.

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting

- 11th November 2021. Correct some minor spelling & word changes by the Secretary from the draft and were agreed at this meeting.

Matters Arising –

- Stefan has received a letter from a Matt Gamble who had been in contact with Phil Conway during his time as a BOF official ref schools and activities. Stefan thinks we should investigate maprun for schools. Stefan will follow up with the schools as to the tech / equipment they have or need and it would be down to the schools to run. Update – There was concern that the children would have access to phones, this will be rolled into the virtual orienteering point. Update – Has not had a recent reply.
Action; SS
- Kit Storage - Eric & Denise will shortly (end of January 2022) no longer be able to hold the Club kit and we will require an alternative. – Update, Fiona gave an update on various locations & storage companies. Prices are circa £800 per annum. Fiona has also looked at garages (slightly cheaper) but concerns over security and weatherproof. It was agreed to go ahead and obtain quotes from storage companies. Brian is happy to keep the results equipment.
Action; FC
- Maprun – Kay Hawke, new Project Officer for BOF - Stefan asked if John would contact Kay as an initial contact for the Club. Update – John has not made contact as yet.
Action; JM
- Mark agreed to have all the school maps and permanent courses uploaded to maprun. Update – From John who has been in contact with Eric. Most of the school maps will now be out of date and the persons holding/using them may have moved on. Probably more useful for secondary schools where the pupils are more likely to have smart phones. On going. MF – email update sent out to Committee members. He has collated most of the maps and is in the process of converting to maprun.
Action; MF/JM on going
- Training on Crown Estates areas would be a concern on their limitations on numbers etc. for permissions. Bo will enquire with CE's. Update – Bo has contacted CE and the Club can train on the areas with no charge.
Action; Complete
- Club Champs – 19th December, Shotover. Blue, Men – Green, Women. Juniors, Orange both. Handicap based on BOF rankings (4 scoring events)
Action; Complete
- BKO Constitution – Was discussed and any proposed changes to be issued prior to the AGM notice. Simon agreed to investigate any changes required. Update – Simon has emailed out his findings and it was decided that the bullet points be added to the Constitution.
Action; DM
- AGM – Simon to book Zoom for the meeting.
Action; SM
- Stefan to contact Bucks Council ref Black Park.
Action; SS

2. Chairman's Update

2.1 Chair's Update.

- Stefan said that the signs are there will be no further lockdown and we can look forward to put on our planned events.
- Bramshill event thanks, we had 68 people. Brian said that we did have a couple of cards fail to start and is looking at the reasons behind this. One of the starter controls may be on its way out.
- Main focus at the moment being the CC weekend on the 29th & 30th. He appreciates all the hard work going into the event and hopes that competitor numbers pick up soon.
- CSC event coming up in March.

2.2 AGM

- Date – 4th February 2022
- Location – Fiona said that she has reserved Sand Martins Golf course but not paid the deposit as yet and given the current situation it would be advisable to hold the AGM via Zoom. It was agreed to hold via Zoom.

Action; SM

- The Club awards were discussed, and agreed for £20 Decathlon vouchers. Fiona will look at medals.

3. Membership Secretary

- Emailed from Ian, National 85 members, 6 local & 1 group St Andrews.

4. SCOA Report

- Update from Fiona,
- Suggestion of setting up a JK review.
- Andrew Evans out and about wanting an Ambassador for the region.
- Senior Home Internationals 2022 for the regions to be held at the November Classic. SOC are looking at another Club to host the relays.
- SCOA championships for 2022 are at the TVOC Chiltern Challenge on the 24th April.
- Level B events to be Controlled by persons outside the region.

5. Events & Mapping

5.1 Events

- The events schedule was discussed and the updated table is appendix A.
- Stefan to contact Bucks Council ref Black Park.

Action; SS

- Maprun –

5.2 Mapping

- Simon raised the issue that mapping requirements will need to be looked into for the BC's 2023 at Cold Ash, would need to be done spring 2022. Ongoing. Dave Peel completed the last update. Nick Norse is the alternative mapper. Fiona & Mark will take forward.

5.3 Results

- Brian – Thanks to the results team for Bramshill.
- He is only confident of 85 of the emit cards we currently hold, any events above level D we will need to hire in.

- Emit;
A discussion took place on the Emit system and its longevity and eventual replacements or alternatives.
- He has had a look at the software for CSC & CST and it will cover the event.
- He said he has been trialling the use of race sign up, snagged a couple of issues and we can now use both race sign up and fabian4.

6. Treasurers Report

- Peter had issued the Treasurers report before the meeting with a summary of the changes. He ran through the figures with no questions on the figures.
- The main point Peter brought up was a provisional net surplus for the year of £606
- BOC Relay refund of £467 – This is Club money and will be kept in Club funds.

7. Development Matters

- No update.

8. Secretary's Report

- No report for this meeting.

9. Publicity Report

- **Website** - Mark said that we are looking at other platforms for the future.
- Mark said there are still on going problems with the BKO mail system and he is looking into the problem.
- **Facebook** – Trish has been updating Facebook.

10. Coaching Report

- Mark – Liz Yeadon is putting on a Coaching course, John has spoken to Liz and it will be L2 Coaching. SCOA will subsidise 50% of the money. Stefan will include this in his next Chair update.
- Mark has emailed out a proposed training schedule and this was discussed.
- Stefan asked if we are not holding a Summer Series we could hold some Sat morning training events. Mark agreed to plan this into the schedule.

11. Youth League

- John said that due to not enough Club events to run a league at present. Fiona said that with the COVID situation on-going with events starting and stopping.
- John said that a league across several Clubs might work and he is looking into.

12. Welfare Report

- No update for this meeting.

13. Next Meeting

- Thursday 24th March. 0730 @ The Cricketers.

14. AOB

- Brian asked if anyone was thinking of leaving the Committee at the AGM. No-one was.

Appendix A – Events Table

Date	Location	Level	Comments	Officials
Saturday 29th January 2022	Great Hollands/Birch Hill Urban	C/D	Permissions – Done! Parking - South Hill Park Mapping –	Organiser – Eoin Sharkey Planner – David Jukes Controller – Peter Jones (SN) Results - Alan Faringdon
Sunday 30th January 2022	Concorde Chase Hawley & Hornley	B	Permissions – Done Parking - part of permissions Mapping –	Organiser – John & Lisa Methven Planner – Martin Wilson Controller – Chris Huthwaite (SARUM) Results - Alan Faringdon
Sunday 13th March 2022	Compass Sport Cup Rushall Woods	B	Permissions – All landowners contacted and has responded. Rushall Farm & Fitzwilliam has said ok. Discussion ongoing from Yattendon Estate & Rosemary Balsdon. Parking: Done. Field in NW of map owned by Robert Breakespear Mapping – Pending Stefans survey	Organiser – Fiona Clough Planner – Stefan Stasiuk & Jim Munday Controller – Mark Thompson and Peter Riches (TVOC) Results -
Apr-22	Black Park	C/D	Permissions – Stefan will contact Bucks again Parking Mapping –	Organiser – Planner – Controller – Results -
Jul-22	Club picnic Jennet's Park?	D	Permissions – Parking Mapping –	Organiser – Planner – Controller – Results -
Oct-22	Buckleberry Common?	C	Permissions – Parking Mapping –	Organiser – Planner – Controller – Results -
Dec-22	Swinley East/Buttersteap?	D	Permissions – Parking Mapping –	Organiser – Planner – Controller – Results -
Sunday 29th January 2023	Concorde Chase Star Post/Barossa/Bucklebury/Minley	B	Permissions – Parking Mapping –	Organiser – Planner – Controller – Results -
Feb-23	Swinley West/Swinley Park?	D	Permissions – Parking Mapping –	Organiser – Planner – Controller – Results -
Saturday 25th March 2023	British Orienteering Championships & Southern Championships (UKOL) Cold Ash	A	Permissions – All landowners contacted. Estate responded positively. No formal yes (or no) yet from other landowners Parking. Brian the farmer will not be farming in 2023. Contact made with estate who owns preferred field. Mapping –	Organiser – Jane Courtier Planner – Mark Foxwell/ Simon Moore Controller – Results -