

Minutes of the SCOA Committee Meeting held on 4/3/04.

602. Apologies: Alan Yeadon

Present: Richard Sharp, John Worth, Colin Duckworth, Dave Currie, Jon Marsden, Katy Stubbs, Dave Stubbs, Caroline Ford, Di Smith, Allan Farrington (acting chairman for this meeting)

603. Matters arising: None.

604: Treasurers report. As distributed. Additional signatories arranged. Accounts for 2003 being prepared. Request for reward for JK helpers from SCOA funds discussed, meeting agreed that since SCOA funds are already used for the benefit of SCOA members that this would not be appropriate.

605: Fixtures report. As distributed. 2004 Southern Champs likely to be at the Caddihoe Chase in September. Offers are sought for a club in the region to host a qualifying round for the Yvette Baker Trophy in 2005 (in conjunction with a District Event)

606: Event standards report. Colin Duckworth is to be appointed as a Grade 1 Controller. Katy Stubbs is collecting CV's (details of activities in the last 5 years) from all controllers in the region, clubs asked to ensure that all controllers that wish to continue acting as controllers provide the necessary information. **Action Clubs.** There is a shortage of controllers in the region clubs to be encouraged to recruit more controllers. Katy Stubbs to write job description. **Action Katy Stubbs & Clubs.**

607: BOF restructuring proposals. Details of BOF's plan are available on the BOF website. It appears that regional reps will be required for the following committees, Senior, Elite & Junior Competition and Mapping.

Richard Sharp advised the meeting that he has offered to be the Fixtures Group Representative on the Senior Competition Group.

608: Junior Squad. 4 training events had taken place since the last meeting. Lizze Adams has been awarded the Hampshire School's Sports Federation award for Orienteering. Anne Edwards & Lizze Adams were selected for Interland. In Tim Booth's absence (between April & October) a temporary squad manager will be required. Christine & David Currie will be stepping down as lead coaches after the Junior Inter-Regional Championships. David & Christine Currie attended the BOF Coaching Conference in January. Jenny Bray, Carol Edwards & Dave Rodgers all attended a Level 2 coaching course.

609: Secretary's report. Various correspondence received from BOF together with regional newsletters from West Midlands & South East.

610: Vacancy for Coaching Rep. Meeting agreed to appoint Phil Brown as SCOA Coaching Representative.

611: Report on BOF Council meeting. Allan Farrington & Katy Stubbs reported on the BOF Council Meeting held on 17/1/04. Sports Council funding has been granted until March 2005. The lease on the BOF office is due to expire, new premises are being sort. The WOC 76 funds will be used to fund the purchase and repair of a bothy in the Lake District. The BOF website is being updated. The BOF AGM will take place on 10/4/03 at 17.30. The Forestry Commission is devolving into regions (England, Scotland & Wales). Next BOF Council meeting 8/5/04, Allan Farrington to attend.

612: Regional Development Officers. Katy Stubbs explained the back ground behind the BOF plan for Regional Development Officers. The meeting discussed funding & job description for this post, it is anticipated that BOF will provide a job description.

613: Child protection. It is anticipated that individual clubs will have to sign up to the NSPCC guidelines / policies. Much of the funding BOF receives is from organisations that will require clubs to do so.

614: Arrangements for AGM. This will take place on 17/6/04 at 7.30pm at the Richard Aldworth School in Basingstoke. Clubs to be notified, **Action John Worth** Vacancies to be advertised with short job description.

The following positions are vacant, Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, Event Standards, Mapping and Junior Squad Representative.

Action Caroline Ford, Katy Stubbs & John Worth

615: Any other business.

Richard Sharp asked if SCOA would partially fund the purchase of a computer and internet access to enable him to continue in the position of Fixtures Secretary, the meeting agreed to do so.

Website, Allan Farrington to liaise with Tim Booth, with a view to providing server capacity for the SCOA website. **Action Allan Farrington, (Post meeting note Tim Booth has already organised)**

Replacement of missing Southern Championship trophies, SW have agreed to proposal for one third funding, SE to be chased for response. **Action Richard Sharp**

BOF are looking for volunteers to help with the start programme at the end of July.

Di Smith advised the meeting that permission had been recently withdrawn for an event in a Forestry Commission managed forest; the exact reason was not clear but maybe due landowners concerns. Further investigation as to the exact reason needed. **Action Di Smith**

Katy Stubbs asked that Regional Events provide different courses for W75L & W75S

Allan Farrington advised the meeting that he hopes that land access charges to MOD land will be rationalized at £1.00 per head.

Allan Farrington advised the meeting that replacement JK Trophies had been engraved.

