

**MINUTES OF THE SCOA COMMITTEE MEETING, 11th JUNE 2009
HELD AT WINCHESTER RUGBY CLUB.**

Present

Mike Bray	SN	Chairman & Club Rep
Caroline Ford	SOFA	Secretary & Club Rep
Jerry Newcombe	BAOC	Treasurer
Dave Rogers	BKO	Junior Squad and Coaching Officer
Richard Sharp	TVOC	Fixtures Secretary
Ian Webb	OUOC	Development Committee Rep
Allan Farrington	BAOC	Club Rep
Andy MacGregor	BADO	Club Rep
Di Smith	SOC	Club Rep
Alan Yeadon	SARUM	Club Rep
Liz Yeadon	BKO	Club Rep
Terry Smith	SOC	

805 Apologies

Apologies were received from:

Colin Hicks, SOC
Denise Harper, BKO and Sports Council RDO
Eric Harper, BKO
Colin Duckworth TVOC
Chairman OUOC

806 Minutes of the last Meeting

- A correction was made to paragraph 794, bullet point 3 regarding a complaint. It now reads

“ There was only one formal complaint and this concerned the non competitive status of a shadowed junior. The organisers dismissed the complaint because the status decision was in accordance with BOF rules. The complainant subsequently appealed to BOF officials who then asked the organisers to reinstate the competitor. However the organisers refused to do this.”
- The minutes of the last meeting held on 12th March 2009 were then accepted as a true record.

807 Matters Arising

- Paragraph 775. SCOA League Review. Ken Ricketts is to be asked to take account of the proposed ranking structure changes in the review. **Action: Jerry Newcombe**
- Paragraph 775. SCOA Newsletter: Advice is to be sought from Dave Currie, the developer of SOC Announce. **Action: Terry Smith.**
- Paragraph 794. BOC post event report is in hand. **Action: Jerry Newcombe**

- Paragraph 794. SCOA letter to BOF r.e. coherence of decisions is still required.
Action: Mike Bray, Jerry Newcombe.
- Paragraph 795. EOC AGM. SCOA was not represented.

808 Chairman's Report

The Chairman had nothing to report other than that delivered at the AGM.

809 Secretary's Report

The Secretary had no specific matters to raise.

810 Treasurer's Report

- It is still not able to provide any firm figures for the income generated by BOC 2009 as there are outstanding bills still to arrive and most of them are the larger expenses for the event. Hopefully SCOA will receive around £3,000 from the event.
- A trophy for BOC W80 class had been purchased and has been named the "SCOA Trophy". Jean Velecky, SOC, won the W80 class for the first 5 years it was contested and she was briefly shown the new trophy before it was presented to this year's winner.
- The treasurer holds the stock of Colour Coded badges which are running low. Despite the likely changes to colour coded events it was agreed that White and Yellow badges should be procured as these were particularly popular with schools. A new source would be investigated because the original manufacturer no longer produces them.

Action Jerry Newcombe.

- It was agreed to consider a request for a grant to Emily Benham (SARUM) who is competing in Israel. The outcome will depend on how much support she receives from SWOA. Although Emily is a member of SWOA, she is considered a special case due to her potential medal prospects in international competition. It was regrettable that BO had not agreed to fund this talented person. **Action: Alan Yeadon, Jerry Newcombe.**
- It was agreed to provide a grant of £2,500 to the Junior Squad for 2009. The increase reflected the increased costs expected to arise from travel to this year's Junior Interregional Championship, to be held in September in Northern Ireland.

811 Fixtures Secretary's Report

The Fixtures Secretary's report was distributed with the Agenda. Points to note:

- Southern Championships 2011: It was confirmed that TVOC are to host this event.
- SHI relay (6 Nov 2010). A venue and host has not been confirmed. It was suggested that arranging accommodation and social activities for this event should be within the remit of the Team Manager. This would make it more attractive to potential hosts. **Action: Richard Sharp.**
- SCOA League. It was noted that there were no events designated as SCOA League events on the fixtures list. This was because club fixtures secretaries, who are now responsible for registering events directly, need to add the designation into the title of the event on the online registering system. A reminder will be sent to club fixtures secretaries.

Action: Richard Sharp.

- JK 2013. This remains in the rota for SCOA however there are concerns about suitable areas for hosting it given the increasing problems of access. It was noted that SCOA funds relies heavily on hosting such events.
- British Middle Championships and Sprint Championships. These events are scheduled to be held in the SCOA region on 12/13 June 2010. BAOC has offered to host the British Middle Championships but a host for the Sprint Championships and venues for both events have not been firmed up.

812 Junior Squad Manager's Report

The Junior Squad Manager's Report was distributed with the Agenda. Points to note:

- Summer Tour and Championship Selections:
 - Katherine Bett - Lagganlia Summer Tour
 - Tamsin Moran - Badaguish Summer tour
 - Peter Bray - Halden Summer Tour; European Youth Championships
- Four current squad helpers successfully completed UKCC Level 1 Coaching Course at Longmoor in March and April 2009. They will now serve their "coach apprenticeship" by providing supervised training sessions with the junior squad [as well as with their clubs].

813 Coaching Officer's Report

The Coaching Officer's Report was distributed with the Agenda. Points to note:

- Coaching courses have been well attended. Martine de Carvalho is running the Teaching Orienteering Part 1 course at Swindon on 9th July 2009.

814 Technical Officer's Report

A report was distributed and discussed at the AGM. It was noted that members of various BO committees have been invited by BO to a meeting in September 2009 to discuss how the various committees can work together and with the Board in a more coherent and effective fashion.

815 RDO's Report

The RDO's report was distributed with the Agenda. A plea for assistance with the Hampshire Youth Games has been emailed to clubs. BAOC confirmed that they had responded.

816 Any Other Business

- Roger Hargreaves, a Director of British Orienteering with remit to liaise with SCOA, had contacted the Chairman requesting any issues he needed to raise. Caroline Ford stated that a letter from SOFA regarding the impact of entry fee discounts for BOF members at local events had been forwarded to him but had not been acknowledged.
- Allan Farrington described the GPS tracking of competitors that is currently being trialed.
- Members were reminded of the Nick Bateson Memorial Races being staged on Wednesday 24th June 2009 which aim to provide some unusual experiences. Details are on the BAOC website.

817 Date of Next Meeting

The next SCOA Committee meeting is to take place on **24th September 2009**. The next meeting after that will be on **10th December 2009** at the Friends Meeting House, Highfield Avenue, Newbury commencing at 7.30 pm.

C E Ford
SCOA Secretary