# **Technical Officer Report to SCOA meeting 15 June 2017**

#### **Event Officials**

I have received the Event Officials Form for the Chilton Challenge 2018 and am happy with the officials' experience for this event.

However, I am not sure what has happened but the requirement for Level B Event Officials to be approved by the Association now seems to have disappeared from the Rules. The current Rules on the website state that approval for Level B is now at a Club level not Association.

So we have no basis for asking clubs to submit officials for approval to the Association.

## **Controller Appointment**

I have had no applications for approval as a Controller since the last meeting.

### **Training courses**

We now have 172 SCOA members who have completed the Event Safety Workshop. I believe that the most recently qualified members are from SN.

#### IK2019

I believe that it was mentioned at the last meeting (after my report was written) that JK Day 2 has been approved as a Middle race for all runners.

I have only managed to get one person willing to quote for mapping for JK2019 (Dave Peel) as the more local mappers have said they are unable to do so. I am struggling to find any other mappers who would be willing to travel south (all other currently working are based in the north of England or Scotland).

If any of the other areas to be used were requiring professional mappers then this might have provided an incentive but from recent discussions it seems that local clubs (TVOC and SN) are happy to provide the map updates from within the club. If this changes I would appreciate knowing as soon as possible.

I have had offers to Organise and Plan Day 2 from SN members. The complication being that the offer to Organise came from the person who was the Controller for Day 1 (Steve McKinley). Thus the weekend was missing two out of the four Controllers.

I have spoken to Mike Forrest of BOK and he has subsequently been asked by Event Officials Group (EOG) to control Day 3. He has indicated that he is willing and will confirm it back to EOG.

SN have apparently sounded out Philip Gristwood as a potential replacement for Steve McKinley for Day 1 and I believe he is also willing and EOG are going to contact him,

So hopefully we will have all officials in place in the very near future. The only gap that may exist will be that of IOF Event Advisor for Day 3 assuming that all three days do end up as World Ranking Events, but that is not SCOA's problem to sort out.

| Day | Organiser      | Planner         | Controller        | IOF Advisor  |
|-----|----------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| 1   | Jon Wheatcroft | Colin Duckworth | Philip Gristwood  | Ronan Cleary |
| 2   | Steve McKinley | Pete Jones      | Neil Crickmore    | Julie Cleary |
| 3   | Fiona Clough   | Katy Stubbs     | Mike Forrest      |              |
|     |                | Roger Thetford  |                   |              |
| 4   | Neville Baker  | Steve Long      | Hedley Calderbank |              |

Subject to confirmation by E&CC

I am currently collating event officials relevant experience and will send this to EOG (and E&CC) in time for the forthcoming meeting on 24 June.