

Chairman's report for 21 Sept 2017

Changes at BOF. As you are probably all aware, Mike Hamilton is retiring from the role of CEO at BOF and applicants have been sought for a replacement. I would like to take this opportunity to pass on our thanks to Mike for his hard work and patience and wish him a restful retirement. In addition, there is an EGM scheduled for the morning of the **Club and Association Conference on Sat 14 Oct** in Leeds, essentially to tidy up some elements of the constitution. The Conference is focussing on Events and Competition. I am hoping to attend to represent SCOA. Please let me have any comments or suggestions for the conference so that I can represent your club if you are not sending a rep. **ACTION ALL**

Fundraising for elites and other elements of our sport. The Orienteering Foundation is a registered charity and recently raised £10k to support our athletes at the World Championships. They are looking for regional ambassadors to promote their work and help identify potential sponsors. Trustee Andrew Evans (andrew.evans444@btinternet.com) would be happy to contact anyone interested in taking on this role. See separate file of info for volunteers. **ACTION: ALL** forward this to any club members who might be interested.

SCOA league. Prize-giving for 2016-17 will take place at SCOL2 on 29 Oct at Pamber Forest.

Ken Ricketts has set up the calculations to accommodate best scores of 50% of events. Details on the website reflect this change. He has also worked on the Interclub scoring and after some testing, proposes the following with a worked example from the 2016-17 season.

Result of adding 0.25 points per runner to each runner's score at the event:

Club	Runners	Points	Points divided by number of runners
TVOC	224	18266	90.44
BKO	291	22936	89.15
BAOC	89	7554	87.91
SN	141	11732	87.57
SOC	134	10650	85.99
BADO	109	8694	83
WIGHTO	10	805	81.25
SARUM	77	5786	79.41
OUOC	8	584	73.81
RAFO	2	135	67.75

This moved the positions around a good deal, and certainly rewards the clubs with the most runners – BKO being a particular beneficiary. SN and BAOB are particular losers compared with the simple points/runners calculation.

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