

## Chairmans report for SCOA Committee 21 June 2018

The spring weather played havoc with plans and events. The BADO event in early April, last of the SCOA League this season, was postponed to the end of April, only to be hit with more wet weather and the event was cancelled. The Chiltern Challenge was also postponed and had to be downgraded to level C for its revised date. Unfortunately this has meant that the medals for the SCOA Championships, held in February and due to be presented at the BADO event, have not been distributed until today.

I recently noticed that the winners of the 2017 Southern Champs were not on the SCOA website. I have sent the information to Tim Booth but this is a salutary reminder that the organisers of all 3 championships recorded on the SCOA website (Southern, Southern Nights and SCOA) should send a list of winners to Tim (or Andy Parry) for updating the database. A task for the Chair or Fixtures Sec to keep tabs on?

With JK2019 in SCOA only 10 months away, it is good to see all the SCOA clubs getting involved. Putting on an event of this size calls for more than the usual manpower and this will inevitably result in members of different clubs working together; such a mixing and sharing of skills, ideas and equipment can only be a good thing for the region. Almost all of the SCOA committee are heavily involved and must be thanked for their upfront commitment to the event and the region. By having assistant organisers, planners, etc we are supporting those officials while broadening the experience of their assistants and contributing to succession –planning. To the same end, we are aiming to identify teams of volunteers early enough to be able to provide suitable experience or training before they carry out their tasks at the JK: many will have never attended a JK before.

This is my last report as Chairman and I feel the region is in good shape, thanks to the diligence and commitment of the committee and those members in the background who keep things ticking over but are rarely seen. Thank you all.