

Development Officer – report to SCOA Committee – 5th December 2019

1. **Annual M/W12 Youth Camp** : this took place over the weekend on 1st/2nd/3rd November, based in Burley Youth Hostel. There were 21 Juniors attending from all three Southern Associations. SCOA had 4 Juniors from SOC & SN. About 12 juniors and about 3 parent/ helpers arrived on the Friday night which also involved a NightO with glo-sticks in a small piece of woodland just across from the Hostel. The rest arrived on the Saturday. The morning activity had to be cancelled due to the tremendous winds & rain but the Orange course activity & Harris Relay took place in Wilverley Inclosure in the rain in the afternoon. All Juniors had entered the November Classic on the Sunday – most attempted an Orange course with varying degrees of success.

2. **Club & Members Forum**: Alan & I attended the Club & Members Forum on Saturday 16th November 2019 in Leeds. There were only 23 attendees with a large number from SYO. It consisted mostly of discussing the new Strategy from the Board, confirming points raised. The slides from the presentation are quite helpful & should have been sent to you with this report. This Conference was not for us, it was for the Board!!

The main ideas that I picked up were to do with Volunteering and getting all Club members involved:

- a) - get **all** members to agree to help with at least 1 event per year
- b) – ask Helpers to do different jobs – not the usual folk
- c) – have an assistant for each task – sort of an understudy – to help train others in the various tasks

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