

SCOA Committee Meeting on Thursday 7th September 2023

Item 12 – BOC/BRC Final Update

1. The accounts were finalised with BO at the end of June 2023. The agreed final surplus for the whole weekend was £13,580.47, of which SCOA retains a 1/3 share of £4,526.82. This should have been paid by BO in early July.
2. The original budget was based on entry levels of 1200 (total) for the individual and 630 (210 teams) for the relay, in line with the attendance at BOC/BRC 2022. The target surplus for the event, requested by BO based on £5.25 per senior run, was approx. £8,000.
3. Our actual entry levels were 1310 in the individual and 798 (266 teams) in the relay, with the most notable increase being in the number of juniors compared to 2022. The target surplus based on the number of senior entries we received was £8,600.
4. The original budget was used to set the entry fees, to generate a surplus of £6,800. The estimated costs in this original budget included contingencies, most notably for access track repairs for Cold Ash. The final event surplus was double the original estimate, with the main contributory factors being:
 - a. Higher entry fee income: £2,740
 - b. No extra repairs needed to Cold Ash access track: £1,000
 - c. Lower total cost for medals/prizes: £430
 - d. General contingencies for miscellaneous costs not used: £700
 - e. Lower promotion/advertising costs: £330
 - f. No hire of equipment van/fuel, radios or standby tractor: £800
5. Most other budgeted costs did not need to increase despite the higher entry levels, and we obtained most key services (e.g. toilets, marquees, map printing) at prices just under our budget estimates. In retrospect it was a conservative budget with a cautious view of likely entry levels, but it was difficult to foresee after three years of Covid-related impacts, and it being a third consecutive BOC weekend in the south of England (would people travel yet again from the north to areas that were not exactly new to major events?).
6. I am not aware of any further matters arising since my last report in June and now consider the event fully closed. Thank you to all in SCOA and the constituent clubs who made it happen, and especially the principal officials and organising teams in the lead clubs (BKO and TVOC). The event was well presented, well delivered and well received and we were just lucky enough with the weather!

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