

Technical Officer's report to SCOA Committee, December 2025

Event Officials

I know the officials for the Concorde Chase and Chiltern Challenge 2026, they all meet the requirement for events so no issues to report.

Controllers

I ran a Grade C Controllers' course on 8th November attended by 3 people, 1 TVOC, 1 SN and 1 BAOC/SN – SEOA member. Three others showed interest but were unable to attend for various reasons. I have publicised that I intend to run a second course for two of them early next year in the latest SCOA bulletin. Note one of these 3 is based on the south coast and has limited time available so will never be able to travel to me for a day course. He might be able to make Longmoor. I am not sure if BAOC or SOC are planning to run one in the near future but, if so, he could be interested.

I will be running a level C Planning course for TVOC members on 7th December.

I would ask that SCOA pay expenses, if requested, for attendance at the Controllers' course(s) as Controllers act for other clubs, not their own. I know that one person, Tom Dobra, has asked for travel expenses for the 8th November course. ACTION requested

I have 3 prospective Grade 3 Controllers that require approval by the SCOA committee.
Tom Dobra, TVOC, meets all requirements, attended the course on 8/11/25.
Iain Robinson, SOC, meets all requirements, attended a course on 7/9/24.
Jon Hollingdale, JOK, meets all requirements in spades (levels higher than required), based in SOA and vouched for by highly experienced people.
All have attended the Event Safety Workshop.
I recommend that all appointments are approved ACTION required

For some reason I am currently unable to do a general search on the membership database so am unable to give up to date information on current SCOA Controllers. Not sure if this is related to membership renewals but I have asked the Office why.

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