

**Wimborne Orienteers Committee Meeting
at Wimborne Town Hall
19:30 Thursday 16 March 2017**

Minutes of Meeting

Distributed by email to:

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Chris Branford, Karen French, Dick Keighley,
John Oakes, Andrew Howard, Becca Ellis,
Eamon Staunton

Revision History

Revision	Date	Details
0	25-Mar-17	Draft

Posted on Website:

<http://www.wimborne-orienteers.co.uk/d7/node/122>

Present:

Andrew French (Acting Chair) **(AF)**
Philip Harvey (Secretary) **(PH)**
Andrew Howard **(AH)**
Chris Branford **(CB)**
Dick Keighley **(DK)**
Eamon Staunton **(ES)**

Apologies for Absence:

Karen French (Treasurer) **(KF)**,
Kevin Pickering (Chairman) **(KP)**
Becca Ellis **(BE)**
John Warren **(JW)**
John Oakes **(JO)**

The meeting was called to order by **AF** at 19:30.

1. **Minutes of last meeting on 19 January 2017**

Revision 0 was accepted by the committee and signed by the **AF**, standing in for **KP** as Chair.

2. **Treasurer's Report**

Wilverley event: profit £456 - £144 (Toilets) = £312

CSC / CST Moors Valley: Profit £700

Premium bonds win: £25

3. **Equipment**

3.1. Shed: Vacate before 01 April.

Arrangements were discussed for the big clear-out on Thursday 23 March.

3.2. SI Kit - to be made up to 4 sets

DK: Dibbers will need replacing before the boxes do. We will need 30 (or 60) Type 8 dibbers, plus SI boxes and a download box. Total cost around £2000

There were lengthy discussions regarding Type 8 and newer generation dibbers, and possibilities for borrowing from WSX for big events.

Decision: Buy the required SI boxes, download box and plates to make 4 complete sets. Cost expected around £1100. Wait until later for purchase of dibbers, but constantly monitor stock levels and failure rates.

ACTION: Include the issue of dibber purchase in the Agenda for subsequent meetings: PH

ACTION: Purchase as per decision above: DK

3.3. Start Clock. Previous Action: Look for cheap options

Not needed. Smartphone apps are available instead, at no cost.

3.4. Lightweight stakes & Plates

Bought. Very happy with them.

3.5. Compasses. Previous Action: Purchase 8 compasses

Bought.

3.6. Moors Valley Posts. Previous suggestion: Drilled hole / Grippler

No need to discuss this. Can be discussed with Moors Valley management if considered appropriate.

4. Event Safety Workshops

Most officials and potential officials have attended. One more workshop is required. A location near Dorchester is likely to be most convenient for those remaining.

Long-term, we need one workshop per year to cater for new officials.

5. Recent Events & Meetings

5.1. Sat 21 Jan 2017 Informal, Avon Heath Country Park

Superb

5.2. Mon 06 Feb 2017 Night League / Club Evening / Buffet, Dorchester

Excellent

5.3. Sun 19 Feb 2017 Regional, Wilverley

Absolutely outstanding.

ES: The volunteers were superb, the busses from car park to start worked really well.

The atmosphere was very good. Having an Assistant Organiser worked very well, and is necessary when bussing people.

5.4. Sun 12 Mar 2017 CSC / CST SW Round 1, Moors Valley CP

Brilliant. Some great runs, as can be seen by the ranking points awarded. A decisive victory in the CST.

6. Forthcoming Meetings and Events

6.1. Sat 08 Apr 2017 SWOA Club Conference 10:30-16:30 M5 J23.

CB offered that he and Lynn would attend, as well as **DK**

6.2. Sun 22 Oct 2017 CST Final DEVON Virtuous Lady, Yelverton.

To be discussed at next meeting, including organisation of coach transport.

See Fixture List distributed by **CB** and below addenda:

6.3. Wed 26 April 2017 BAOC MLS, Moors Valley We shall help to host this event.

6.4. Fri 12 May 2017 Dorset Schools, Moors Valley Need Planner

6.5. Sun 21 May 2017 SW and Dorset Sprint Cannot be at Blandford Camp due to access

6.6. Sun 24 Sep 2017 Galoppen, Ibsley Permission for Ibsley is uncertain.

7. Juniors and Coaching

7.1. Yvette Baker Trophy. 30 April 2017

AH: The final details have been published. We would like Clayesmore School to run for WIM, but YBT rules state that there must be a 'Formal Association' between club and school. It may be necessary to write a letter to establish this association. WIM will pay for entries.

7.2. Cubs

CB and Trevor Bridle will soon be involving cubs in activities.

8. Mapping and POCs

8.1. Surveying / Mapping Course to be run locally?

This would be a good initiative. **ACTION: Discuss further with Julie Astin, WSX: CB**

8.2. POC at By the Way, Wimborne. The posts are in, the map is ready.

8.3. POC Liaison with BOF Avon Heath and ByTheWay need their details uploading to British Orienteering website for inclusion in the national POC register. **ACTION: AF**

ACTION: Next meeting include a special section for discussion of mapping, higher up the Agenda: PH

9. **Access to Ibsley and Rockford**

Being Handled by **JW** and **KP**. No further developments. For the moment, access is withheld.

10. **Membership Reminders**

Reminders were sent. Most members re-joined.

11. **O-Tops**

Designs were unveiled at the Prizegiving. Opinions were given, mostly positive. A sample was requested. **ACTION: To be followed up with Jo Pickering for a sample: ES**

12. **Correspondence**

12.1. **Avon Heath Advert / Brochure**

Done

13. **A.O.B.**

13.1. **ES: Tents**: Do we need new tentage? Recently held events exposed that our big tent is bulky to carry, labour-intensive to pitch, and no longer waterproof. Look at buying 2 new ones. **ACTION: Look at options and prices: ES**

13.2. **AF**: It would be good to have more extension leads and computer peripherals, with plastic boxes to contain them.

13.3. **PH: Walkie-Talkies** Would it be useful to purchase a set of quality UHF radios with range up to 2km? For example, for organiser to communicate with Start, for 2 ends of a bus route. **Decision**: No. Mobile phones are usually adequate. Organiser must check the coverage, and assess requirements as needed. Radios can be rented if needed.

13.4. **DK**: The printer that was purchased during a previous meeting is excellent, but uses a power supply. More battery-powered splits printers will be needed.

13.5. **CB**: Many Planners and Controllers are needed for forthcoming events. See list.

14. **Next Meeting**

15 June 2017 TBC