

**Wimborne Orienteers Committee Meeting
Online Meeting through Zoom
19:30 Wednesday 30 September 2020**

Minutes of Meeting

Distributed by email to:

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Chris Branford, Karen French, Dick Keighley,
John Oakes, Kath Pike, Rob Mills,
Eamon Staunton

<u>Revision History</u>		
Revision	Date	Details
0	05-Oct-20	Draft for comments

Posted on Website:

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

Present:

Andrew French (Chair) **(AF)**
Philip Harvey (Secretary) **(PH)**
Chris Branford **(CB)**
Kath Pike **(KaP)**
Dick Keighley **(RK)**
Kevin Pickering (standing in as Chair) **(KeP)**
Rob Mills **(RM)**
John Warren **(JW)**

Apologies for Absence:

John Oakes **(JO)**
Eamon Staunton **(ES)**
Karen French (Treasurer) **(KF)**

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

1. Minutes of previous meeting on 26 August 2020

Revision 1 was agreed, and can be regarded as Virtually signed.

Actions arising therefrom:

(3.1) **KF/AF: Registration of MapRun courses as POCs with British Orienteering** - The POC spreadsheet is missing some information. This was a mystery, since the form was complete when filled. To be filled in again by **RK** and **CB**.

(3.2) **PH photos/videos of BAOC events to demonstrate social distancing**. This was done; photos are on WIM website, with a link to YouTube for the videos. **RK** mentioned this at the recent SWOA meeting.

ACTION: Send mail to Peter Hart of British Orienteering and to local SW clubs, inviting

(4.8) AGM: Proposal as in Section 4.2 below.

2. Treasurer's Report

- 2.1. The accounts are now with Trevor Bridle for auditing. There are some queries to be addressed next week.
- 2.2. From the previous meeting, it was agreed to pay for the Caddihoe advertisement in Compass Sport, without delay. We have not yet received an invoice, but have asked for one.

3. Recent Events & Meetings

3.1. MapRun League

Large thanks go to **RM** for organising. This is working very well while we cannot run the usual events.

AF: Moving forward, we are starting to hold some events. We should refrain from a MapRun event on those weeks when there is a normal event.

RM: The MapRun League is in place for the autumn; expecting to continue through into spring. Participant numbers are good.

3.2. Sun 20 September 2020 Closed Event. Hincheslea

This was very well organised and well enjoyed. We expected participation by 30 WIM members, but were a few short, so some places were offered back to SOC.

JW: Feedback comments were very positive. These will reach the ears of the Forestry Commission.

There is the possibility of a similar event in the near future organised by SOC, but in the interests of fairness, they might choose to share it with WSX or SARUM instead of WIM.

3.3. ~~Tue 29 September 2020~~ SWOA AGM Postponed to 13th October. There was a SWOA committee meeting last week.

4. Forthcoming Events and Meetings

See Fixture List distributed by **CB**, with additional comments:

- 4.1. Sat 03 October 2020 WSX, Agglestone, Burnbake Many WIM members plan to attend. WSX do not need any help on the day.
- 4.2. Wed 14 October 2020: 20:00, WIM AGM
AF to draft a notice to be sent out on a Mailchimp.

Presentations will be loaded to the website.

Present committee will remain, unless opposed.

Membership fees to remain unchanged.

Members' votes are to be sent through mail to Secretary.

AF to host the meeting through MS Teams.

4.3. Sun 13 December 2020 Colour Coded, Inside Park

Event officials are needed. Suggested to offer a reduced number of courses.

4.4. 2021 Activate Events

The 2020 events were all cancelled. The Moors Valley rangers have asked if we intend to hold the events that were missed this year. The answer is provisionally yes; in the summer of 2021.

4.5. Landowners' Permissions

It is proving very problematic to get permissions - most large organisations who are permission-granting authorities have a blanket refusal policy for the immediate future. There are very few usable areas that are under private ownership.

5. A.O.B.

5.1. **JW:** Moors Valley Permanent Orienteering Course (POC) is being refurbished. Some posts are being replaced. All will have SI box brackets and holes drilled for gripples. The map has been updated.

5.2. **JW:** Boxing Day Canter: we need to discuss the feasibility.

AF: There cannot be a mass start - it would have to be start blocks instead. One thing that has made the Canter work so well in previous years is that the officials and helpers are only required for a short period of time on Boxing Day. Start blocks would mean a longer day for all.

KeP: We should write down some suggestions for the day, to discuss with the Moors Valley rangers.

AF: If an event on Boxing Day were limited to 30 people, then that is a lot of work for a small number of competitors. It could be a MapRun, that is open over the Christmas and Boxing Day period.

CB: British Orienteering are saying that we should not allow non-BOF members to participate in events. That would exclude a sizeable portion of the usual Canter participants.

There is already a MapRun of Moors Valley. We can formalise the competition by having a defined window during which to run.

The committee agreed: No canter as such. Not enforced to be run on Boxing Day. But instead a MapRun at Moors Valley, available over the Christmas period.

6. **Next Meeting**

Date to be decided after the AGM.