

# Wimborne Orienteers Committee Meeting

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2022

Verwood

## Minutes of Meeting

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### Present:

Kevin Pickering (**KeP**) (Chair), Karen French (Treasurer) (**KF**), Dick Keighley (**RK**),  
Rob Mills (**RM**), Kath Pike (**KaP**), John Warren (**JW**), Vicky McCreadie (**VM**)  
Eamon Staunton (acting secretary) (**ES**).

### Apologies for Absence:

Philip Harvey (Secretary) (**PH**), Chris Branford (**CB**), Andrew French (**AF**).

**The Meeting was called to order by KeP at 19:45**

### **1. Minutes of the previous meeting approved.**

#### Matters Arising:

1.1 Club first aid course has been arranged for Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2022. 13 members expressed an interest.

**Actions:** **ES** will contact Sarah Pestrige to update numbers. **KeP** to arrange a venue.

1.2 Bere Wood will be mapped by **CB** and **KF** hoping to use it for an event in January 2023.

## **2. Treasurers Report:**

The accounts are currently being audited, to be ready for the 2022 AGM.

## **3. Equipment:**

3.1 **RK** has purchased a new Bluetooth splits printer replacing an older faulty one.

3.2 The club Condes licence has expired, **RK** will renew it.

3.3 In November our SI licence will need renewing.

3.4 In December our Web Hosting will need renewing.

## **4. Recent Events:**

Thanks to **KF** for organising the event at Moors Valley.

4.1 An email received from **CB** about the Wessex Regional Summer League, Activate and FindYourWay events was discussed. More detailed consideration should be given to the aims and objectives of such events.

**Action:** **CB** and **RM** will bring forward proposals and be given a substantial part of a future committee meeting to discuss them.

4.2 The opening of Blandford Milldown permanent orienteering course was postponed as it coincided with a period of mourning following the death of Queen Elizabeth.

## **5. Future Events:**

5.1 The National Trust are unwilling to allow us to use Ibsley for our planned November SWOL event. The new map for Gore Heath will not be ready in time. In the absence of a suitable area, we have decided to cancel this event and try to restage it later in the season.

5.2 The WIM club championship will be held at the SOC November Classic on 6.11.2022. entries through Racesignup.

<https://racesignup.co.uk/site/event.php?eventid=2955>

5.3 Euro city race 2023, awaiting reply from Bournemouth Council.

5.4 Club Christmas dinner 2022. **Action: ES** to liase with Trevor Bridle, date and venue to be confirmed.

5.5 British Night Championship 2023 were discussed. Topics included:

- **KeP** presented a proposed budget
- Suggested entry fee of £20 senior and £10 junior
- Entries and seeding through Fabian
- The map cost
- Advertising via Compass Sport, flyers and social media
- Consider how the computing will run for the event, including live results.

**VM** has agreed to be a co-organiser with **KeP**

## **6. AGM 2023**

Proposed date: Friday October 28<sup>th</sup>. Gathering at 19:30 for a 19:45 start.

Venue (probably Holt Village Hall) to be confirmed.

**ES** is standing down from the committee. Expression of interest from any WIM member interested in joining the committee would be welcome.

**Actions: KeP** to book the hall. **ES** to ask Trevor Bridle to provide refreshments.

## **7. AOB**

7.1 SOC are organising a safety at events course and are inviting WIM members to take part. Details to follow.

7.2 Forestry England have produced a new local agreement between them and SOC relating to Orienteering in the New Forest. It will have a significant impact on access and permission for Orienteering events in the New Forest.

**Document attached**

**Actions: KeP** to arrange an interclub meeting for those clubs using the New Forest (Southampton, Wessex and Wimborne)

7.3 **SWOA** are no longer hosting a relay league. Individual clubs are still welcome to organise relay events.

SWOA would like clubs to explain to members more about their role.

**Actions: RK** to put some information on the website. **KaP** will mailchimp it.

7.4 Coaching. **VM** is willing to offer coaching to club members.

7.5 British Championship 2025. WIM expressed an interest in organising this major event. Unfortunately, we cannot currently identify a suitable area.

**Action: RM** to inform BOF

7.6 Areas.

Puddletown Forest, **ES** has sent a formal application to Forestry England asking to use this area for Orienteering in October 2023.

Bovington is a technically good area, but permission has been difficult to get and more difficult to guarantee. They reserve the right to refuse access, for operational reasons, even up to the last minute. However, we are aware that some running events are taking place at the camp and it may be time for us to retry for permission.

**Actions: RM** to contact Badger Trails Events. **VM** will look at Bovington's training calendar. **KeP** to contact Dan Cope.

7.7 Recent club successes were highlighted.

**Date Of Next Meeting: 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023 in Verwood. Starting at 19:45**