

Wimborne Orienteers Committee Meeting

Thursday 16 November 2023

Minutes of Meeting

Distributed by email to:

Karen French, Kevin Pickering, John Warren, Rob Mills, Kath Pike, Dick Keighley, Lynda Packuls, Andrew French, Tom Alcott, Vicky McCreadie

Posted on website:

Present:

Kath Pike (**KaP**)(Chair), Karen French (**KF**)(Treasurer), Vicky McCreadie (**VM**) (Secretary), Kevin Pickering (**KeP**), John Warren (**JW**), Dick Keighley (**RK**), Rob Mills (**RM**), Lynda Pakuls (**LP**), Tom Alcott (**TA**)

Apologies:

Andy French (**AF**)

Seq	Point	Comments	Action
1	The minutes of the previous meeting, dated 7 Sep 23, had been distributed.	Nil	Agreed by committee
2	Notices.	Nil	
3	Treasurer's Report	No change since the AGM	
4	Equipment	4.1 Website is current down due to 123-Reg only transferring the .co.uk half of the website over, not the .org. This is due to technical issues being had due to Google and other search engines not allowing https certified website. 4.2 Some control boxes identified as being low on battery and will require changing soon, after the next two events, before Compass Sport Qualifier. £25 per box.	Action: DK in contact with the technical team to rectify ASAP. DK to ensure all control boxes in a good state for CSC Qualified on 18 Feb 24.
5	Past Events.	5.1 WRNL West Moors 30 Oct 23. 55 runners, well organised by VM and good feedback. 5.2 CSC 12 Oct 23. Well done to RM for ensuring a good turnout. Wimborne Orienteers placed 3 rd overall and 1 st England team. Lessons were learnt from their car parking organisation and if organising a distant meet up to ferry competitors in may work for some of our areas with reduced parking issues.	

6	Future Events.	<p>6.1 18 Nov 23 Moors Valley Coaching. Organiser: KF. 2 currently attending.</p> <p>6.2 3 Dec 24 Inside Park. Organiser: VM. Planner: KeP. Asst Planner: RM. Controller: Julie Astin. Run of the day discussed along with setting up beforehand.</p> <p>6.3 26 Dec 23 Boxing Day Canter. Organiser: KF.</p> <p>6.4 22 Jan 24 WRNL Ringwood. Organisers: Eamon and Kirsty Staunton.</p> <p>6.5 18 Feb 24 CSC Qualifier. Organiser: KF. Planner: Andrew Howard. Bere Wood. Predicting 270-370 competitors. Car parking issues discussed. Fees and dibber hire costs to be decided before by 21 Dec 23.</p> <p>6.6 WRNL Fordingbridge 26 Feb 24. Organiser: RM</p> <p>6.7 MLS Moors Valley. March 24 TBC.</p> <p>6.8 SWOA have requested Wim Orienteers hold the British Schools Score Championships on 12 Oct 24</p> <p>6.9 SWOL Regional event Godshill 17 Nov 24. Devon have requested to run an event on the same day. Reply is No due to the difficulty in getting access to this area.</p>	<p>VM: Final Details by 29 Nov 23.</p> <p>KF: Email to be sent via Mailchimp for volunteers to help on the run of the day at beginning of Dec 23. KF to decide on fees by 21 Dec 23.</p> <p>RM to investigate if possible by next meeting.</p> <p>RM to relate this message to Devon by next meeting.</p>
7	AOB	<p>7.1 Committee Member Changes:</p> <p>7.1.1 Welfare Officer required: LP volunteered on a 6 month trial period.</p> <p>7.1.2 TA volunteered to take over Club Captain with RM mentoring.</p> <p>7.1.3 RM to retain fixtures member and looking to expand it to a liaison officer to enable better working relationships with areas owners.</p> <p>7.1.4 LP to take on event officials member and proposes a mentoring scheme for assistant event officials with a look to enable more club members to participate and develop skills as event officials.</p> <p>7.2 TA proposed a Wim Club Whats App and Strava group to enable better communication and use for coaching purposes. All agreed.</p> <p>7.3 VM highlighted to make the sport more inclusive, a quiet finish could be set up for larger events where the finish is noisy and busy. This will enable those uncomfortable with that type of finish to compete at a higher level and remain comfortable within their own abilities. All agreed.</p> <p>7.5 KeP bought up subject of merging of Wimborne and Wessex orienteering clubs, as mentioned at AGM.</p>	<p>LP to list all planners and officials and set up mentoring scheme.</p> <p>TA to set up.</p> <p>VM to approach BOF with proposal.</p> <p>KeP to collate pros and cons of possible merge and other options for next meeting.</p>

		<p>History: 10 years ago, Wsx voted Yes, Wim voted No due to reasons of better relay teams was not sufficient. RM proposed considering the sustainability of 2 small clubs in a similar area and if they are growing. Wimborne would have to make decision and approach Wessex. Both clubs would be abolished and start a new club.</p> <p>7.6 KeP asked if we should be charging for juniors at organised races?</p> <p>7.7 Presentation for Chris Branford ready to present at club Christmas dinner.</p> <p>7.8 Club Championships: Determined enough members attending November Classic on 5 Nov 23. AF configured the spreadsheet of all competitors. Winner of Founders Trophy: Sue Hands.</p>	<p>KF to decide if viable not to charge.</p> <p>KaP to retrieve trophy from Keith Henderson and present at Christmas Dinner.</p>
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Meeting closed at 2145hrs.

Next meeting: 18 Jan 24