Minutes of WMOA Committee Meeting 10th June 2019 The Great Barr Hotel

Present: Ray Collins, Barry Elkington, Ian Gamlin, Kirsten Mitchell, Brenda Morgan, Henry Morgan, Steve Parker, Alan Williams.

- 1. Apologies: Bob Brandon, Mel Elkington, Jonathon Howell, Richard Lewis, Rod Postlethwaite.
- 2. Declaration of Interest: None.
- **3.** Acceptance of Previous Minutes: These were agreed as a true record of the meeting.
- 4. Matters Arising: None.
- **5. Correspondence:** None.
- 6. Chairman's Report: RL, No report.
- 7. Treasurers Report: IG, As at 8/6/19, WMOA account £7,392.66

Junior Squad account £3,325.84

Levies still to come in from SINS, OD Coventry weekend and the rest of this year's WMOA events. We are ok on this year's budget.

- **8. Fixtures Report: AW,** Healthy set of fixtures planned for the rest of the year.
 - OD, Brandon Wood, moved to 27/10, to avoid clash with rescheduled Southern Champs.

POTOC now have their Leek event 3/10, as part of WMOA Urban League. This compensates for the OD event on 8/6 which did not have suitable classes.

Next WMOA scheduling group meeting in October. BOF scheduling group meeting about 2 weeks later.

- 9. West Midlander: RP, No report. For next issue, Sutton Park embargo because of CSC Final in 2020.
- **10. WMOA website:** Reported by IG that Mike Farrington and Andy Johnson are happy to amend, but need suggestions as to content. **Action ALL CLUBS.**

11. Developement:

a) Officials courses: HM, 12 members attended the Planners Level C workshop on 30th March: 1 COBOC, 3 OD, 5 POTOC, 1 WCH and 2 WRE.

No date has been set yet for a proposed Organisers Level C / Event Safety and Welfare Workshop, some time probably in October. b) Update to controllers list: BB, No report.

- **12. Updates in Events and Competitions Committee: BE,** Few members present at last meeting so no decisions. No report this time, next meeting 15/6, report at next WMOA meeting.
- **13. Junior Squad: ME,** BE read out a report, printed in the next West Midlander.

14. Club roundup:

OD: 6 additional 1st aiders, attended a course put on by local running club.

A good weekend at Coventry.

COBOC: Busy weekends coming up; new comers event, BBC Community Games, Moseley Festival and Sutton Coldfield Community Games.

POTOC: Summer Park league, 3 out of 5 scores to count (handicapped).

HOC: Brown Clee, part of SINS and Midland Champs. over 800 competitors. Summer series has started, one clashes with a WRE event.

WRE: Good SINS. Tuesday evening events have started.

WCH: Had 3 beginner events at Birches Valley, 1st event 6. 2nd event 38, 3rd event about 19 but atrocious weather. Some then attended Tuesday Training. They are doing some to try and encourage participation at Tamworth Urban 13/7. They are running full trainings, which included an event at Stafford Castle.

15. AOB:

The position of Secretary has not been filled yet. Action ALL CLUBS.

BE. English Orienteering Council (EOC). need a new chair person, Philip Gristwood is standing down after many years at the helm.

BM. Events with isolated starts or finishes (more than 100m from assembly), should have a 1st aid kit and 1st aider at them, they could be in start or finish team, this is likely to be the point at which an injured competitor would first make for. There should also be good communication from these starts or finishes to assembly.

Some encouragement at finish is also good practice.

SP. BOF Insurance.

This is only 3rd party insurance and only valid if you are a member of British Orienteering. New, to the sport orienteer's can do up to 3 events as a non member, but then to be covered by insurance, must join. This is not 3 events per year, this is 3 events ever.

Remember to have BOF event insurance, the named officials at an event, MUST have attended a) an Event Safety Workshop
b) the relevant planner/organiser course.

if with a controller, controllers course and accredited by WMOA.

RC. West Mids schools on 11th May. Some confusion with presentation of relevant trophies.

BE. Mel is in process of clarifying the situation ready for next year. This will be put on the website at a later date.

16. Next Meeting:

9th September 2019.