WMOA Committee Meeting Great Barr Hotel 10th December 2018

The new Chairman welcomed everybody the meeting.

Present: RL, RC, JH, BB, Steve ?, RD, HM, BF, RP, IG.

Apologies: AW, BE, BM.

- 2. Declaration of Interest. None were admitted to.
- 3. Acceptance of previous minutes: these were agreed as a true and fair record of the meeting.
- 4. Matters Arising: None.
- 5. Correspondance: None
- 6. Chairman's report: There had been many successful events including the WM relays and the WM Championships. The LBNYD event was looming. There is an urgent need to fill the role of secretary. Please ask around your clubs for a suitable candidate.
- 7. Treasurers report: I have handed out te surplus money from the JK. As an association we have not yet paid the money to the junior squad for 2018. Does anyone have any ideas for spending the JK surplus? Ideas to IG please.
- 8. Fixtures: AW has recently attended a regional fixture meeting where some future dates had been swapped around. WM Relays 2019 confirmed as taking place on September 22nd in POTOC land.
- 9. The West Midlander: an issue had recently been circulated. Once again RP made a request for articles and event fliers for the magazine.
- 10. Web site: Andy Johnson is still currently revamping the web site. He asks "what do we want on it in order to give it some structure and make it usable on a mobile phone? Should we pay someone to update and upgrade the site?
 - RD said that we needed to get a message out now if we would like a student to revamp the web site.

ACTION: go away and look at other association web sites for ideas.

ACTION: ask your club what they would like to see on a new WMOA web site.

11. Development: HM had held a Controller Grade 3 course where seven people had attended. Three new controllers (Grade 3) were approved at the meeting these were Jim Cooke POTOC, Tony callow WRE and Adrian Bailey COBOC/ HOC.

RP had held a mapping course for OD where nine people attended.

There is a Level C planners course to be held in either March or April and a course for Organisers to be held later in the year.

A lady called Cara Allinson (A2E) will hold first aid courses (a two day outdoor course) if you ask her.

- 12. Events and mapping. No report.
- 13. Junior Squad: No report.
- 14. Club round up: COBOC are continuing with their beginners series "Families and Schools".

WCH Have a new Chairman in Andrew Yeates. 2019 will be the 50th Anniverary of the club

OD are reporting a lack of volunteers to Organise, Plan and Control events. They suggest that at the WMOA relays those on the mini relay be allowed to have someone shadowing them. ACTION: ask your club for its opinion on this proposal.

WRE: A suggestion to award WMOA league points to officials at these events.

ACTION: ask your club for its opinion.

WRE had recently held the WM Championships at Telford Town Park. Thanks to them. POTOC are running two evening urban events. They complained about a clash of in the region on a Sunday. They were advised to talk to AW.

HOC have three new committee members who are both young and enthusiastic. They

have been targetting runners with some success. They have a busy series of WEE and Urban events coming up and they are prmising a new area for an event in February. BOF have recently held the club and association conference that was about future funding and they have a board meeting this week. It was said that all clubs will have to have a welfare officer in the near future.

15. AOB: HM reminded the meeting that Tony Callow had sent a report to WM committee members about the image of the sport.

RL reminded to seek out and find a new secretary. ACTION.

IG proposed that all future meeting be held on the second Monday of the month.

16. Next meeting: Monday March 11th 2019.

The meeting closed at 21.10hrs.