

## Minutes MDOC Committee Meeting 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020

**Present:** Marie Roberts (Chair), Tony Wagg (Secretary), Trevor Hindle, Ian Gilliver, Julie Brook, Sue Birkinshaw, Eddie Speak, Kath Speak, Dave Mawdsley, Pete Hayes, Pete Lomas, Rae Lomas.

**Apologies:** Alan Ogden, Dave McCann, Sam Drinkwater, Pete Ross.

**1. Minutes of Last Meeting:** Accepted.

### **2. Actions/Matters Arising:**

(a) Recording information on medical conditions. Ian received a reply from Peter Hart (BOF). We agreed to follow DEE practice of inviting medical details where they could cause concern if a runner is overdue or injured, achieved via an EOD entry slip or final details for pre-entries.

(b) Reporting of accidents. Any first aid treatment must be recorded and significant accidents reported to BOF to ensure insurance compliance. The issue will be highlighted in the safety workshop.

(c) Club Kit. Rae and Sue will agree discounts on remaining items of 'historic' kit, to be advertised at events.

(d) BOF Development Conference. Marie attended day 2 and circulated a report. Day 1 featured the needs of volunteers. Day 2 covered marketing and junior development. Our marketing group met two weeks later and considered what we might learn. A meeting with Peter Brooke is planned to see how the SELOC FB site has been used to boost participation.

**3. Finance:** The treasurer submitted a report for the period up to the end of January 2020. Two payments listed as authorised but not paid can probably be deleted. Mapping costs for Tytherington golf course will not be incurred and a further payment to Mark Burley may not be necessary. Marie will inform Alan.

### **4. Event Operation:**

(a) Chris Rostron has proposed that our events up to 2 years in advance should be advertised on our website, in line with DEE and DVO examples. This will be considered.

(b) It was agreed that we should purchase a 'burner phone' that can be supplied to organisers to enable them to be more easily contacted on the day of the event. Marie will consult Trevor Roberts about their use at High Dam, where signals may be limited on some or all networks.

(c) External appeals for officials and helpers. We have received appeals for assistance with the British Sprints at Skelmersdale and the Welsh 6 day in 2020, and the British Champs in 2021 at Whinlatter and Knipe Scar. Marie will draft the wording of an appeal to the club in consultation with Sue and Eddie, for circulation on simple lists.

**Action MR.**

### **5. Event Planning:**

(a) Compass Sport Cup 2021. Sue has asked Jean Payne (NW fixtures sec) whether we may advance this from March to February as this might then allow us to use Macc Forest. Crowden is a further possible venue but would need inspecting and re-mapping.

(b) Yewdale. Sue will discuss further with LOC the possibility of using this as part of a future twin peaks weekend.

(c) Ian is hoping to arrange a planning course in April, based on David May's 2011 course.

(d) Orienteering round the M60!! Pete Ross and Sam have identified 12 areas close to the M60 loop that might form a monthly series of events. Bring your own bicycle.

(e) Knutsford Urban event. Trevor reported that Booths Park (Bruntwood Estates) could provide parking and the estate might be used for junior courses. We would need permission to map.

(f) Manchester and Sale Urban Weekend 2021. Trevor has made preliminary investigations, considering dates in May or October.

## **6. Mapping and Printing:**

Ian will contact Rod Postlethwaite to agree dates and locations for a level 2 mapping course. Bramhall Park is a favoured location as it needs re-mapping.

## **7. Coaching/Training:**

(a) Coaching. John Kewley ran a beginners coaching session at Reddish Vale with 10 participants , including 3 families. Marie will contact John to persuade him to allow more consultation and advance notice of future courses. **Action MR.**

(b) Certifications. Pete Hayes has applied for DBS certification via a route that is free and will enable him to continue with his work with primary schools. Kath will update BOF with our list of qualified first aiders. **Action KS.**

(c) Primary schools update. Pete H will visit High Lane school following their request to the Club. Broken Cross and Bollingbrook want their schools mapping.

## **8. Membership:**

(a) Pete Conway Trophy. This suffered minor damage during engraving. We declined the engraver's offer to replace the trophy and instead suggested two years free engraving.

(b) Junior representative. Previously a representative has been co-opted onto the committee to give a voice to fellow juniors. However, in recent years no volunteer has been forthcoming. We agreed to seek again and Marie and Pete H are to agree how this is best done. **Action M, PH.**

(c) Reward for Event officials. Marie will submit a proposal before the next meeting. **Action MR.**

(d) Social. Marie circulated a detailed report from Cecilia. It was a great success with high attendance including a group from Fallibroome. The Club only had to contribute a £60 subsidy. Next year the aim will be to widen the catering load and a small working group will help with organisation.

(e) CompassSport Cup. Pete H proposed running a coach but this was dismissed due to parking/drop off problems. However, a minibus with professional driver might be a worthwhile option, starting from Macclesfield and subsidised by the Club (free to juniors and supervising adults and £10 to others filling any remaining places). Alain Kyd will be invited to assess demand. Dave Mawdsley volunteered to circulate a note via simple lists explaining how the scoring works and emphasizing that even modest performances might contribute to our progress. **Action DM.**

## **9. GMOA:**

(a) Urban Adventures Proposal. John Britton proposed that GMOA should be the joint bidder and it was agreed that he should be our link with Sarah Brown, the main proposer to Sport England. Extra maps and volunteers will be needed from the Club.

(b) Dominic Wathey will help install QR code plaques on PC posts as part of his DoE Award project.

(c) The GMOA AGM will be held on May 14<sup>th</sup> 2020. All MDOC members welcome.

**10. AOB:** At the beginning of September Fallibroome is running a sports taster event for primary schools and Alain Kyd wishes to borrow SI kit to arrange an orienteering session within the school grounds. Sue will liaise.

**11. Date of Next Meeting:** Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at the Ladybrook Hotel Bramhall. The April meeting will be deferred to 20<sup>th</sup> April as the second Monday is Easter Monday.