

SOUTH WESTERN ORIENTEERING ASSOCIATION

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Minutes of the Committee meeting held at 7.30pm on
17th September 2013 at Ilchester Town Hall.

Those present:

Officers: Katy Dyer (Secretary); Richard Sansbury QO, (Fixtures Secretary).
Committee Members: Christine Vince, KERNO; Erik Peckett, DEVON.
Club representative: Mark Dyer BOK
Visitor: John Woodall, BOF Director with responsibility for liaison with SWOA.

1. Appointment of Chairman for the meeting

Christine Vince was appointed chair for the meeting.

2. Apologies for absence

Jeff Butt, SARUM (SW junior squad); Peter Brett DEVON (committee); Trevor Bridle WIM; Mark Lockett KERNO (treasurer and membership secretary); Susan Hateley, SINS editor.

3. Approval of Minutes for 11 June 2013

These were approved as a correct record.

4. Matters arising from those minutes

No matters arising.

5. Approval of AGM Minutes for 7 Sept 2013

These were approved as a correct record.

6. Matters arising from those AGM minutes

6.1 From Item 14.1. Anne Donnell administrator of SWOA colour coded badge scheme wishes to step down. Secretary to advertise job in next SINS.

8. Correspondence

None

9. Finance and Membership

9.1 No report.
9.2 Following Item 5.5 at the last meeting 11 June 2013 the committee recommended no increase to the SWOA 60p levy which starts 1 Jan 2014. Proposed Katy Dyer, seconded Christine Vince.

10. Fixtures

10.1 Clubs are reminded of the BOF requirement to register all events with BOF.
10.2 The Fixtures secretary, Richard, will be attending the Event Scheduling Group meeting in Birmingham in October. It is funded by BOF.
10.3 SWOA Middle Distance Champs 2014. Richard has been unable to find a club to host this. The committee agreed he could ask clubs to change a long distance

event/galoppen/other event into a middle distance champs.

10.4 Potential pile up of galoppens in Oct 2014. WIM to be asked to move their date.

10.5 Caddihoe Chase. Traditionally held by DEVON every other year (they initiated it). Committee agreed that DEVON could hold CC in 2015

10.6 Caddihoe Chase 2016. Interest for this shown by SARUM plus WIM/WSSX. May/may not include Southern Champs and UK O League.

10.7 SWOA championships in general. Committee agreed to retain the current system (that clubs bid to hold a champs) rather than change to a rota procedure.

10.8 Compass Sport Cup final 20 Oct 2013. Mark Dyer BOK organiser report attached as Appendix 1

10.9 Caddihoe Chase 2014 hosted by NGOC (includes VHIs). Pat Macleod NGOC organiser report attached as Appendix 2.

10.10 BOF Long and Relays champs. Lead club BOK. Dave Urch BOK coordinator report attached as Appendix 3.

11. Controllers

Arthur Vince remains Recorder of Controllers and is revising the SWOA controllers' list for the SWOA website. Chris Kelsey BOK was approved as a Grade B controller.

12. Succession planning SWOA committee

12.1 Secretary to prepare list of actions to improve attendance by clubs at SWOA meetings. To work with John Woodall on this.

12.2 Erik Peckett suggested more interest could be generated by;

a. Rota for meeting venues amongst clubs.

b. Change of night.

Richard Sansbury suggested SWOA not seen as vital.

John Woodall cited example of EMOA where active canvassing at events, real threat of EMOA disappearance, offers of refreshments all helped to spark interest.

12.2 Committee agreed to appoint a chairman for each meeting until further notice. Richard Sansbury will be chair at the next meeting.

13. SW Junior Squad report

13.1 Report attached as Appendix 4.

13.2 Committee offered congratulations to all juniors selected for England at the Home International.

14. Coaching and Development

14.1 **Coaching** . Nil report

14.2 **Development**. Christine Vince reported general concerns that courses for age groups of 75year olds upwards are grouped unfairly due to decreased physical ability; BOF is looking at the class combinations for the older age groups.

Galoppen short Green ok for 75year olds and very short Green better for 80year olds. Christine to check BOF proposals.

15. Any Other Business

15.1 Association and Club Conference Sat 19 Oct. Committee agreed Christine Vince will attend as SWOA rep. Secretary to check which other clubs are going

15.2 Steve Rose DEVON to retire as grade C controller.

15.3 Recorder of Controllers Arthur Vince requested direct access to Nathan Fernandes (web master) to post items on SWOA web site. Secretary said she had already asked Nathan to link with Arthur.

15.4 Erik said clubs need mappers and suggested a SWOA LIDAR mapping course possibly at Millfield School in the New Year.

15.5 Mark Dyer suggested SWOA put on other courses too eg planners' course. Clubs putting on courses should advertise them to other clubs.

15.6 Christine expressed concern over lack of BOF coaching direction ie coaching committees disbanded but not replaced.

15.7 It was agreed to reduce the number of committee meetings in the winter and the February and April meetings will be combined into a single meeting in early March.

16. Next meeting

THURSDAY 28 NOV 2013 at Ilchester Town Hall.

Hot drinks and biscuits will be provided.

These minutes are subject to formal approval at the next SWOA Committee meeting.

Appendices to Minutes

1. Compass Sport Cup final 2013 report.
2. Caddihoe Chase 2014 report.
3. British Long and Relay Champs 2015 report.
4. SW Junior Squad report.