



Leicestershire Orienteering Club



Minutes of Committee Meeting held at The Conference Room, Groby Community College Monday 8th May 2017

1. Present: Chris Phillips, Jane Dring-Morris, Laurie Fluck, Liz Heaton, Roger Phillips, Alan West, Wendy West, Roger Edwards, Ursula Williamson

2. Apologies for absence: Anna Barber, Iain Phillips, Pete Leake, Steve Chafer, Bob Haskins, Ernie Williams, Ian Wilson, Roy Denney, Mark Hardy

3. Minutes of the last Committee Meeting held on Monday 13th February 2017.
These minutes were agreed to be a true record.

4. Items arising from the last MOM

RE - The date for the club dinner and awards evening is 17th February 2018.

5. Request for inclusion in 'Urgent and important items' on the agenda

a. Development Plan (carried over from the last meeting)

See Development Team Report, point 9.

b. Rising Star Award

RP circulated copies of the criteria at the meeting (a copy is attached for reference). Should this be in the public domain?

UW – it should be published on the website

RE – we need to be explicit who makes the award (ie club chair on the advice of the club captain).

6. Treasurer's Report

Please refer to the Treasurer's Report May 2017 circulated prior to the meeting.

RE – the event fee increase was about right. We have a large surplus at present due to the club not spending on items in the budget and donations largely from committee members. Should we spend the money now, for example replace equipment, increase SI dibber stock? Access fees for events are becoming an issue, for example Leicester Grammar wanting to charge £100 for parking. LEI are the only EMOA club with a club subscription and we could lower ours, but it would cost £600?

CP – how should we celebrate the club's 50th anniversary in 2020?

RP – should we restyle the club top for the LEI 50th anniversary? Agreed a 50th anniversary top should be designed and be on sale in 2019. The existing stock needs to be topped up to meet outstanding requests and sales until then and we should provide a LEI branded hooded waterproof top, especially for officials, but may be for more club members. (RE and RP to pursue design and costs)

RE – to maintain CASC (community amateur sports club) status we need maintain a high participation level, the requirement is 50% participating members with at least 12 sessions a year. A comprehensive analysis of activity by CP has shown we are below this, members tend to be way above or considerably below.

WW – we should encourage more participation with existing members rather than trying to attract new members

CP – we have about 80 “active” members.

LH – helpers and parents who support their children should count as participants.

7. Delegates’ Reports

Summary provided by email from BH prior to the meeting:

The new Hypervet category in the UKUL will not be used in EMUL in 2017.

No need to have hire air dibbers available at Level D events.

A Regional Training Day is scheduled for Spring 2018.

Clubs to find out if there is a need for a Regional Level 2 coaching course in 2018. RE suggested Jamie Rennie and Derek Herd might be interested.

JIRCS 2018, to be organised by DVO. UW confirmed at the meeting that the venues are to be Carsington and Chatsworth.

The BO 50th birthday is officially on June 17th, which coincides with the NOC sprint event.

The EMOA AGM is on September 18th, 7.30pm, at the Pace Room, St. Mary’s Church, Clifton. After a reshuffle of the officers it looks like EMOA are going to need a Treasurer.

UW/CP – Spring 2018 is the 50th anniversary of EMOA and they want to know what LEI are doing as we have an event at that time. Should EMOA decide? Are we happy for EMOA to organise something for the weekend of the Midlands Championships, for example a ceilidh on the Saturday evening? LEI need to consider a location, with a fit with Saturday’s sprint race.

8. Events Sub Committee Report

Please refer to the Events Sub Committee Report May 2017 circulated prior to the meeting.

CP – UKOL weekend March 2018 – permissions discussions are still ongoing. ISOM 2017 to be adopted for level A events from 01/01/18.

RP – should we have a logo for the weekend?

CP – 2 castles?

UW – should Ernie design the logo?

“Save the date” prompt to go in the Autumn newsletter regarding the weekend.

9. Development Team Report

Please refer to the Development Team Report May 2017 circulated prior to the meeting.

RE – a review of club nights is required, venues are a problem. Other commitments can be an issue for members. Attendances have dropped and very few new members attend or do not stay. Monday juniors has the biggest attendance. We would continue with the current three sessions.

LH – regular non-members who attend club nights should join LEI.

CP – a proper coaching programme needs putting in place and the club night programme needs to be publicised by the end of August. As we have dispensed with the Club Night Co-ordinator is this a role for the coaching co-ordinator (Mark Hardy)? A proper club night discussion is required with the club night leaders at a separate meeting (RE, CP with MH).

DVO/NOC park events – where are they advertising? How are they getting people to attend?

If LEI are to do something similar we need to plan in advance to have a series of events in place in about 18 months’ time. For example, 4 Leicester park events leading up to a level C event in Autumn 2018. Events Sub-Committee would put in the programme and establish a team to deliver. We might need to change the venue for the final level C.

10. Club Captain’s Report

Please refer to the Club Captain’s Report May 2017 circulated prior to the meeting.

11. Membership Secretary's Report

Please refer to the Membership Secretary's Report May 2017 circulated prior to the meeting.

JDM to chase the Allerys and Pat Conway and Ian Sparkes.

12. Any Other Business

AW – 15/05/17 is the copy date for the next edition of LEI News.

13. Date of future meetings:

FULL: FEBRUARY, MAY, 14th AUGUST 2017, NOVEMBER

Events: JAN, APRIL, JULY, OCT

Minor events: MAR, SEP, DEC

Mapping: JUN

Development: JAN, JULY

Coaching Forum: MARCH

AGM: 30th October 2017 at Glenfield