

Minutes of BL Committee Meeting

Wednesday 23rd January 2019

1. Present

Richard Evans (RE), Anita Laird (AL), David Rawle (DR), Dick Whitworth (DW), Jeff Powell-Davies (JP-D), Christine Goulding (CG), Stella Lewsley (SL), Karen Parker (KP), Dan Parker (DP), Christine Kiddier (CK), Keith Tonkin (KT) & Carol Edwards (CE)

2. Apologies

Jane Yates, Paul Williams

3. Minutes of the previous meeting, on 19th November

All agreed. Noted that Raymond Wren will not be spending any more time looking for the missing pin punches but DW will make final enquiries.

4. Matters arising not covered elsewhere

Nil

5. Treasurer's report

DW confirmed that he had recently received a payment of £2610.97 as BL's payment due for the 2018 Lakes 5 Day event.

The club is to be charged £400 for the portaloo that went missing from the Swindale event last year.

The recent Hackthorpe Level D event made a £200 surplus.

It was agreed that BL Juniors would be subsidised with a free place in the forthcoming Compass Sport Qualifier. Adult helpers to use the BL discount code if they wish to run.

6. NWOA Executive Committee minutes

RE gave a brief report. The NWOA are to consider Roger Jackson's proposals to restructure the NWOA. RE will reinforce BL's view on the proposals at the next NWOA meeting in March.

7. Feedback from

- a) Coombs Wood, 8th December – Very good event. High competitor numbers again and consideration should be made to provide Level D event organisers with assistance. Agreed that it was the organiser's responsibility to ask for assistance. Question raised about BL following WCOC's sign-on arrangements. Consideration of handing out maps at sign-on.
ACTION – RE to draft out a new Level D event process.
- b) Christmas Social, 14th December – Great event. Thanks to Raymond & Jenny Wren for organising.
- c) Binsey, 29th December – Great event. £500+ raised for charity.
- d) Hackthorpe New Wood, 12th January – Event went well. Great planning. Lots of runners. Shortage of maps. Agreement to print more maps in future.
- e) Report on accessibility of Priest's Mill/Gowbarrow – DR has drawn a blank trying to contact Raymond Solomon, the owner of Priest's Crag. Email failed, ex-directory on phone and no response to two letters. Nothing to report at present.

8. Updates not covered elsewhere

- a) BS7 stakes and stations – Arrived and all good. Can we get a bag for them? Aguila – Staveley.
- b) Border Liners 50th anniversary year – One of Karen Blackburn's future newsletters will include an invitation to join a small sub-committee to prepare for next year's 50th anniversary celebrations.
- c) Club roles: Fixtures Secretary – Consideration was given to dividing the existing Fixtures Secretary role in light of Anita Laird's decision to stand down at the next AGM. Proposal that the role should be split into 'Fixtures Secretary' (making up a list of future fixtures) and 'Access Secretary' (making arrangements for access to land). Anita Laird offered to act as new 'Fixtures Secretary' for 2020 but no firm agreement was reached on the role of 'Access Secretary.'

Club roles: Junior Rep – Discussion about the Junior Rep role. Could the Junior rep prepare club statistics or compile a junior league? **ACTION** - Jane Yates to have a word with Ruben Razzetti to see what he would like to do.

- d) Club website: layout/content/ which policies to include – A sub group to be established to consider this. Members: Anita Evans, KT, JP-D & DR

- e) Additional item discussed about the general increase in restrictions to land access such as Ground nesting bird restrictions. Need to be considered in future event planning.

9. Club Development

- a) Training nights – A good night's training took place at Lowry Hill in January. Thanks to Angela Whitworth.
- b) Club representative events in 2019 – JK Relays. British Champs at Bradford University. Scottish Champs at Drumlanrigg.
- c) Coaching – CK gave details of the coaching event at Talkin Tarn on Saturday 2nd February. This is aimed at adult beginners and juniors. There was a discussion about a further possible training weekend later in the year for club members.
- d) Application for development funds from NWOA Lakes 5 Days surplus – It was agreed that an application should be made to the fund to provide the club with a Junior/School set of equipment from Sport Ident to include dibbers, control boxes, mini printer etc. Cost approx. £2K but JP-D will provide a price. To note that the application must be submitted by 31/3/19

10. Mapping

DP has now got all the club maps and is geo-referencing them. DW is looking into resurrecting an old area at Byreburn, Canonbie and DP and hopefully Paul Williams will help with mapping etc.

Alan Hartley is making an O Map of Shap School using Open O Map.

Discussion about possible future mapping projects.

11. Fixtures

Organiser still required for September Level C event at Askham Fell.

12. Update from Team Captain

Summary provided by KT detailed in item 9 b)

12. AOB

CG raised a query about North East clubs taking part in the Compass Sport event. This was discussed and resolved and CG will take it forward.

13. Date of next meeting

Wednesday 20th March 2019.

Meeting concluded approx. 9pm

Minutes of BL Committee Meeting

Wednesday 20th March 2019

7pm at

1. Present

Richard Evans (RE), Anita Laird (AL), David Rawle (DR), Dick Whitworth (DW), Jeff Powell-Davies (JP-D), Stella Lewsley (SL), Karen Parker (KP), Dan Parker (DP), Christine Kiddier (CK), Keith Tonkin (KT)

2. Apologies

Jane Yates, Paul Williams, Christine Goulding, Carol Edwards.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting, on 23rd January 2019.

All agreed and accepted.

4. Matters arising not covered elsewhere

Fixtures Secretary (access role): Discussion around volunteers taking on land access liaison arrangements for particular areas. It was suggested that areas might be grouped together and then volunteers sought to take on the role.

5. Treasurer's report

DW gave a brief report which included a summary of the recently acquired new printer (cost approx. £500+vat) and a financial summary of the recent Bampton Common event which looks like it will provide a net surplus in the region of £1,000.

6. NWOA Executive Committee minutes

RE attended a meeting on 9th March for which there are no minutes yet available.

RE confirmed that it appears Roger Jackson's proposals for restructuring NWOA events will be rejected, although some clubs need to confirm this formally. However, it was agreed that an effort will be made to increase promotion of the Gallopen series with a view to attracting competitors from further afield

There was a discussion at the meeting about insurance and a general aim to encourage newcomers to join an orienteering club/British Orienteering.

7. Feedback from

- a) Gelt Woods – This was a very good event.
- b) Training Night at Chances Park – A great training evening using controls.
- c) Compass Sport Qualifier – This was another very good event, which ran very well. Committee members gave a special thanks to Christine Goulding who had done the bulk of the organisation.
- d) Club Night, Knees – A very informative night at Low Hesket Village Hall. Thanks to Stella for organising this.

8. Updates not covered elsewhere

- a) Bag for BS7 stakes – Decided to leave the idea of a purpose made bag for the present time.
- b) Border Liners 50th anniversary year – A small working group has been established consisting of Stella Lewsley, Keith Tonkin, Christine Goulding and Angela Whitworth.

A suggestion of a club dinner in a nice village hall on a Friday or Saturday evening was made and agreed by the Committee members present.

9. Club Development

- a) Training nights – As mentioned above. Further training nights to follow.
- b) Coaching day and NWJS weekend. These events have now passed. Christine Kiddier is planning further coaching on the day of the next Level D event.
- c) Application for development funds from NWOA Lakes 5 Days surplus – This application has now been submitted and we await the outcome.
- d) Junior rep – Neither Jane Yates nor Ruben Razzetti were at the meeting so this matter was left for the time being.
- e) Club website group report – The group has had one meeting where some small changes to the club website including streamlining of the fixtures page was made. An advert for potential new members to join BL/BO will be made more prominently on the website in future.

10. Mapping

DP gave a brief technical summary about Georeferencing and the Open Orienteering website.

DP confirmed he had rejuvenated the Permanent Course at Hackthorpe, which had fallen into disrepair. It is now in good order.

The following future projects were discussed:

Hallin Fell extension – DP & KP are working on this.

Lowther Castle/Park mapping – DP & KP will look into approaching Lowther Estate.

Blaze Fell – It was agreed to leave this area for the time being as the quarry workings are recently closed and potentially unstable.

Watchtree – Phil Nichols is looking into the map of this area (which currently is not a proper 'O' map).

Byreburn – DW and Paul Williams have done some further work on this map. At best, the revised area will be sufficient for a Level D event.

11. Fixtures

All events for 2019 now have event officials in place.

There was some discussion about the club's larger events for 2020 and it was agreed that there would be no Level B event and 3 Level C events. These could all form part of the Cumbria Galoppen League. The proposal was:

Penrith Beacon – Potentially 8/3/20

Knipe Scar – Potentially 17/5/20

Angle Tarn – Potentially September or October 2020.

On a separate note, RE is now drafting the new Level D event process.

12. Update from Team Captain

KT provided a summary. He was pleased to report that BL had qualified for the final of the Compass Sport Trophy at Pippingford Park in Sussex in October. No indication at this stage as to whether BL would field a team due to the travelling involved.

KT reminded Committee members that the JK relay applications were imminently closing. He also gave a reminder about the British Orienteering Championships relays.

13. AOB

Coaching – Christine Kiddier proposed running some additional coaching sessions before future Level D events. It was agreed this was a good idea. It was also agreed that coaching could be run as part of the club nights.

Watchtree – 4 pin punches will be donated to them.

BL Kites – Approximately 15 are falling apart. Agreed to order 20 new ones having researched that they were of good quality. Stella will re-home the old ones.

Torn tent – One of the club tents was damaged at the Bampton Common event. RE will investigate repair.

14. Date of next meeting

Monday 20th May 2019 at

Meeting concluded approx. 9pm

Minutes of BL Committee Meeting Monday 20th May 2019

7pm at -

1. Present

Richard Evans (RE), Carol Edwards (CE) David Rawle (DR), Dick Whitworth (DW), Jeff Powell-Davies (JP-D), Stella Lewsley (SL), Karen Parker (KP), Dan Parker (DP), Keith Tonkin (KT) Jane Yates (JY) Paul Williams (PW)

2. Apologies

Anita Laird, Christine Goulding & Christine Kiddier

3. Minutes of the previous meeting on 30th March 2019.

All agreed except to note that it was the NWOA *Club Delegate* group and not the *Executive Committee* meeting that RE attended on 9/3/19.

4. Matters arising not covered elsewhere

RE reported that the club tent was not yet repaired but RE & CG were going to assess it and order spare parts as required.

5. Treasurer's report

- DW reported that SportIdent had provided a further £1,000 invoice for entries from the Bampton Fell event, which brought the total overall profit from that event to c. £2500.
- To note that the Juniors made approx. £170 from the sale of cakes at the Bampton event.
- To note that it was agreed to provide a £25 voucher for wine to the Bampton Fell event Controller.
- The Hallin Fell Level D event made a surplus of c. £70
- Outward Bound made £50 in donations for use of the field for parking.

DW reported that he would like to look at ways of amending the club banking arrangements so that one person can arrange a BACS transfer (rather than two as at present). Agreed that he would ask the Cumberland Building Society if that can be done with our Community Account.

6. NWOA Executive Committee minutes

RE noted that the minutes from the meeting on 9th March had only just been circulated and as such there was nothing of any current relevance to discuss.

7. Feedback from

- a) Aughertree – All went well. 63 runners. Noted that there were some newcomers at the pre-event training.
- b) Hallin Fell – Tough, but good event. 77 runners. Feedback on the ‘course descriptions’ were that we should keep the standard course colour codings in addition to generic ‘Novice, Short & Long’ descriptions.
- c) Training evenings: Penrith – A good evening event. Carlisle – Another good evening but with lower attendance, possibly due to a last-minute venue change.

8. Club Development

- a) Future Training evenings – Agreed they were working well and should be continued.
- b) Coaching at Saturday events – Agreed we should try to advertise details of these events as soon as possible to maximise their potential for bringing in newcomers.
- c) Application for development funds from NWOA Lakes 5 Days surplus – The application has now been submitted and the outcome is imminent.
- d) Junior rep – Agreed to ask Ruben and the other Juniors what they would like to do with the surplus of funds raised at the Bampton event cake stall.
- e) Club website group report – The group has a further meeting planned to discuss how to keep the website looking fresh and updated and to continue the good work done by Anita Evans.
- f) Permanent Courses – There was a discussion about the relevance of permanent courses and how to promote them locally. Agreed we would aim to better promote the Hackthorpe and Talkin Tarn courses and get links to them on the club and British Orienteering websites.

9. Mapping

DP and KP had recently met a representative of Lowther Estates and the summary of the meeting was that whilst Lowther could be interested in the larger money-making events, there was less interest in the smaller local fixtures. Access to the Deer Park and generally the Gardens was restricted so there was little interest in producing a specific O map of these areas.

10. Fixtures

- a) Sharing of Fixture Secretary's role – A useful summary list of areas and land owners was produced and SL agreed to divide this list into 3 or 4 groups for the next meeting.
- b) 2019 & 2020 events - All arrangements for 2019 are in place. There was a discussion about 2020 events and the proposed fixture list for 2020 is:

Border Liners fixtures 2020

Date	Day	Level	Venue & (Notes)
18/01/20	Saturday	D	Coombs Wood, Armathwaite
15/02/20	Saturday	D	Milton Rigg Wood, Brampton
29/03/20	Sunday	C	Beacon Fell, Penrith
(Map update required)			
18/04/20	Saturday	D	Gowbarrow Ullswater
31/05/20	Sunday	D	Chances Park, Carlisle 50th Birthday event
20/06/20	Saturday	D	Alston Urban *
18/07/20	Saturday	D	Talkin Tarn, Brampton Club
(Picnic afterwards)			
15/08/20	Saturday	D	Faulds Brow, Caldbeck
19/09/20	Saturday	C	Angle Tarn Pikes, Patterdale
24/10/20	Saturday	D	Binsey, Wigton
14/11/20	Saturday	D	Nunwick Hall, Salkeld
05/12/20	Saturday	D	Penrith urban or Lowry Hill

* Alston Urban subsequently further altered to 27/06/20

- c) RE will shortly send out the draft revised Level D event process. There was a discussion about signing off Level D event Risk Assessments. All organisers should have attended a risk assessment course but it was decided that it was good practice to ask a third party to do a desktop check of a risk assessment.
- d) To note that CE & KT have volunteered to plan the 2020 British Sprint Championships courses.

11. Update from Team Manager

- 5 Teams entered for the Scottish Relays.
- Further thought to be given as to whether to travel to Kent for Compass Sport Trophy finals.

12. Update from 50th Anniversary Group

The anniversary dinner will be held at Bothel Village Hall on November 23rd. Food will be provided by outside caterers at an estimated cost of £10/head.

A budget of £500 was agreed by the Committee towards the cost of promoting and hosting the evening, which will include decorations, place mats, displays etc.

It was suggested that some guests would be invited including ex BL Members.

13. AOB

JY had recently met the Cumbria Schools Orienteering Liaison Officer, Emma Cooper, and she thinks she is doing a good job.

14. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 16th July 7pm at -

The meeting ended at approx. 9.15pm

Minutes of BL July Committee Meeting

Tuesday 16th July 2019

7.00pm – 8:55pm at - 1. Present

Carol Edwards, Richard Evans, Christine Kiddier, Anita Laird, Stella Lewsley, Dan Parker, Karen Parker, Jeff Powell-Davies, Keith Tonkin, Dick Whitworth

2. Apologies

Christine Goulding, David Rawle, Paul Williams, Jane Yates

3. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 20th May

Minutes agreed

4. Matters arising not covered elsewhere

- The club tent still awaits repair.
- The minutes of the most recent NWOA executive meeting apparently contained nothing of relevance, but RE will send them to anyone interested. The next NWOA CDM meeting will discuss venues for Lakes 5 Day in 2022 and therefore the committee need to consider the matter beforehand. It should be an agenda item for a future committee meeting. (*Action: CE*) 5.

Treasurer's report

5.1 Update on banking arrangements

DW explained the situation regarding signatories for the club's two accounts. The Skipton BS account, where the bulk of club funds are held, has 3 signatories, only one of whom is required to sign a cheque. The Cumberland BS account, used for smaller transactions has 3 signatories, 2 of whom are required to sign a cheque.

There are two problems with the current arrangement:

- The club constitution says that the permitted signatories must be the chairman, treasurer and secretary. This is not the case for either account.
- The committee felt that both accounts should be set up in such a way that all cheques require two signatures. This is not the case for the Skipton BS account.

To solve the problem, there will be a motion at the next AGM (October 2019) to change the constitution so that cheque signatories can be *any* members of the committee. Immediately following the AGM there will be a very brief committee meeting to nominate signatories on both accounts. (*Action: CE*) Subsequently Skipton BS and Cumberland BS will need to be informed of the change of signatories.

In the longer term the Treasurer will continue to look into the possibility of enabling bank transfers from one or both accounts (*Action: DW*)

5.2 Eycott Hill event (13th July)

Having paid BOF and NWOA levies the event made a surplus of £145. A donation of £50 will be made to Cumbria Wildlife Trust who manage the area. (*Action: DW*)

5.3 Incentives for newcomers to join BL

JY expressed concern about how expensive it is for a family to join BL plus BOF; for example, it costs £44 for a family of four. The committee discussed making BL membership free but this was felt to be impractical. Instead, new members will be given vouchers for free entry to a BL event. The implementation details require further discussion, possibly by the sub-group working on the Club Development Strategy (see item 7.4).

5.4 Coaching course

JY attended a Level 2 Coaching Course in June. NWOA have paid 50% of the cost. The committee is very happy to pay the other 50%. (*Action: DW*)

6. Event feedback

6.1 Brampton Urban event (Level D - Local), 15th June

(Part of the North Country Triple Weekend with NATO and NN). This was a very successful event with 70 competitors. Letters of thanks will be sent to the parish council and the primary school.

(*Action: KT/CE?*) NATO have suggested a similar joint format could be repeated in two years' time.

KT (planner/organiser/mapper) said that the map could be extended further west to include William Howard School. He has also asked the Brampton Primary School whether they would like BL to put on a small event for them.

6.2 Club Night in Shap, 8th July

(Organised and mapped by Alan Hartley). Nine people attended, and found it very enjoyable (and unexpectedly challenging). The slightly disappointing turn-out was mitigated by the fact that Alan had put on an event for the local school beforehand with around 60 participants. SL suggested that the map should be used for another Club Night when it's dark.

6.3 Eycott Hill event (Level D – Local), 13th July

Another excellent event with well planned courses. There were 82 entries. (See also item 5.2.)

Cumbria Wildlife Trust had, for the first time, imposed restrictions of which parts of the area could be used; this made it harder for the planners but was not apparent to competitors.

7. Club development

7.1 Application for funds from NWOA for SI equipment

£1600 has been received from NWOA and the equipment is on order (due to be delivered in August). CK will report back to NWOA on how the equipment is being used. (*Action: CK*)

7.2 Junior rep feedback

Ruben and the other juniors would like the money raised at the Bampton Common cake stall (£170) to be used to buy a tent. The committee agreed that this is a good idea and that the juniors should be asked to investigate a suitable model. BL will top up the £170 if necessary. (*Action: JY*)

7.3 Permanent courses

DP and KP reported that Lowther do not want the permanent course at Hackthorpe to be advertised or used because forestry work is carried out from time to time. There is no problem with normal events there as Lowther issue a licence for a specific date.

The status of the permanent courses at Talkin Tarn and Carlisle Parks and whether they should be promoted via the BOF website remains unclear.

7.4 Club development strategy

CE suggested that the club should have a 5-year plan, covering matters such as publicity, welcoming new members and encouraging more people to volunteer to help. The purpose of having such a strategy was discussed, given that previous ones were of limited benefit. A sub-group will be set up to discuss this further with the brief that any strategy must contain realistic, practical actions. SL, CK and CE offered to be involved. (See also items 5.3 and 9.5) (*Action: CE, CK, SL*)

8. Mapping

- DP and KP are currently mapping two areas:
 - Martindale (which includes Steel Knotts, Beda Head, the east end of Place Fell and an update of Hallin Fell). This is a long-term project and will be suitable for a Regional (Level C) event (or possibly even National event).
 - Rosgill Common (near Bampton). This will be suitable for a Local (Level D) event and should be completed by the end of the year.
- Alan Hartley has produced an excellent map of Shap School and Park (See item 6.2) suitable for use both by BL and by the school.
- DP will update the Eycott Hill map with the new paths near the carpark. (*Action: DP*)
- There was a discussion about a potential new area along the river between Caldbeck and Sebergham (aka Parson's Park). A number of people have been there and opinions vary. DP will visit and report back. (*Action: DP*)
- AL suggested another potential new area – Thorngrifton Common between Haydon Bridge and Haltwhistle, but it may be an NN area.

9. Fixtures

9.1 Sharing of Fixture's Secretary role

AL is retiring as Fixtures Secretary and KP has offered to take on the part of the job that involves scheduling and registering events. AL will arrange (through BOF) for KP to have the necessary access to the BOF fixtures list. (*Action: AL*) As was discussed at previous meetings, the other part of the role, applying for permission to use areas, will be split on the basis of landowners between a number of people. SL has come up with a suggestion of how the split should be made and has found volunteers to take on the task:

- DK and KP - United Utilities, Dalemain and Lowther
- Robin Thomas – city, town and parish councils
- Wrens – Binsey and Whittas Park
- JY – Nunwick Hall
- Phil Nichols – the rest! (i.e. LDNP, Forestry Commission, Cumbria Wildlife Trust, National Trust). Note that this has not yet been confirmed with Phil (*Action: SL*) and SL may take on one or more areas in this group (Milton Rigg and/or Talkin Tarn) as dealing with them all is potentially a big task

9.2 Use of Dropbox for sharing information about areas

As part of the process of handing over to a new Fixtures secretary AL, with help of KT, is going to set up a Dropbox account where information about individual areas (who to contact for permission, previous risk assessments etc) can be held. Appropriate levels of access will be given to event organisers and permissions seekers. Dropbox is free to use (at least for the quantity of data BL will need to store) (*Action: AL, KT*)

9.3 2020 events

The urban event scheduled for 5th December might be a UKUOL event. If so, KT thinks it should be in Carlisle and is investigating the possibility of updating the existing Carlisle Centre map and/or mapping a new part of the city.

9.4 Level D event process document

RE reported that this is nearly finished and will be circulated to the committee for comments soon.

(Action:

RE)

9.5 Encouraging more (and especially new) club members to organise and plan events

It was felt that the current system of circulating a list of forthcoming events and asking for volunteers may not be the best way to do this. A more personal approach may work better. The sub-group working on a Club development strategy (see item 7.4) will discuss this.

10. Update from Team Manager

The Compass Sport Trophy Final is in East Sussex on 20th Oct. KT will send out an email soon to find out which club members intend to go. A stand-in team manager will be appointed as KT is not going.

(Action:

KT)

11. Update from 50th Anniversary Group

The anniversary dinner catering arrangements have changed. There will now be a buffet at £15 per head. Ex-members will not be invited (except for founder members, and anyone still actively involved). "Friends" will be invited. Care will be taken to ensure that all members, not just those on the BL News email circulation list, are invited.

12. AOB

- WCOC have thanked BL for the use of Watermillock for the Allerdale Chase (14th July)
- Helping at JK2020 – NEOA have asked for clubs outside the region for help. CE will let them know that BL are able to help, preferably on a Start. *(Action: CE)*
- DW is concerned that the club has so few active Grade 1 and 2 controllers and wondered what can be done to help some of the Grade 3 controllers to move up. One of the requirements for becoming a Grade 2 controller is to plan a Level B (National event). Given that BL doesn't have any such events scheduled for 2020 there is no quick solution.

13. Date of next meeting

Tuesday September 10th 2019 at -

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Monday 10th September 2019

7pm at ...

1. Present

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2. Apologies

Christine Goulding

3. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 16th July 2019.

Minutes agreed.

4. Matters arising not covered elsewhere

4.1 Tent Repair The tent is repaired.

4.2 Views on the 2022 Lakes 5 Day for the next NWOA CDM The Club supports the event and will make a suitable area available if required.

4.3 Decision on updating/extending Carlisle map for 5/12/20 UKOL?

KT will look at updating the map, which should be okay as existing for a UKOL event. Extending the map would be a bigger project for another year.

5. Treasurer's report

DW provided a draft copy of the end of year accounts. There were still some figures to finalise for the Bampton event. DW believed the recent Askham event had made a surplus in the region of £250.

5.1 Group Membership

There was discussion and clarification about family memberships and new members. It was agreed that ALL new members would be entitled to a free event in future, not just those joining as family members.

There was also some discussion about promoting club membership and orienteering in general to new people. Everyone agreed Karen Blackburn's weekly newsletter/fixtures reminder is an excellent promotional tool. Agreed that the newsletter/fixtures reminder should be provided to new orienteers and schools etc to encourage them to try the sport.

Notification through the Moss's who will advise Karen Blackburn.

6 Event Feedback

6.1 Askham Fell event (Level C Local – 1st September 2019) An excellent event and parking was particularly good.

6.2 Training Night Rickerby Park 9th September

A very good training night provided by Chris Lates. One of the best evening training sessions according to some.

7 Club Development

7.1 Junior Rep Feedback

The new tent is a success. Future funds raised could be put towards subsidising equipment, clothing or NWJS events.

7.2 Club development Strategy

CK, CE & SL will pick this up after the club AGM

8 Mapping

DP provided an update. The key points were:

- The Eycott Hill map has been updated.
- A brand new sink hole has been added to the Askham map with a couple of other corrections.
- Parsons Park at Caldbeck has been examined. Could be okay for a Level D event. Further investigation required in the winter.
- A proposal for another 'Purple Pen' mapping session, possibly in conjunction with the new Level D event procedure.
- A further discussion has been had with Lowther Estate. No appetite for orienteering in the gardens but the Parkland and other areas look promising.

9 Fixtures

9.1 Sharing Fixtures Secretary Role

AL is making some progress on passing on the relevant information.

9.2 Use of Dropbox for sharing information

KT provided an update and confirmed he will be trialling Google Drive (instead of Dropbox) as a means of sharing information within the club. He will confirm details shortly.

9.3 Level D event process document

RE is nearing completion of this new document. He will place it on the new Google Drive when it is ready.

9.4 2020 Fixtures

PW circulated the proposed 2020 Fixture List and is now looking for volunteers to fill the roles.

There was one immediate amendment to make:- The Talkin Tarn event on 18/7/20 will be directly swapped with the Nunwick Hall event on 14/11/20 due to a clash with the shooting season. Nunwick Hall will be on 18/7/20 and Talkin Tarn on 14/11/20.

There is a little concern about the Penrith Beacon event on 29/3/20 as no Organiser is yet available and the car parking issue needs to be addressed sooner rather than later.

10 AGM

10.1 AGM Date

To be confirmed. Now confirmed as 22/10/19

10.2 AGM Location

Rose and Crown, Low Hesket

10.3 Agenda

The standard agenda will be produced. Items to go to CE as secretary.

10.4 Who is willing to continue in their role?

RE is happy to remain Chair for a further year. AL is standing down in 2020 and JP-D also expressed a wish to stand down although he will continue his IT role. Also to note that as KP is taking the Fixtures Secretary role from 2020 there is potential for one additional committee member to be added to the existing committee.

11 Update from Team Manager

KT confirmed that Border Liners would be unlikely to field a full team for the upcoming Compass Sport Trophy Finals (in Sussex) but there would certainly be some club representation.

The Peter Palmer Trophy will be held in Cumbria next year on 20/9/20.

The 2020 local Compass Sport Trophy Qualifier will be held in Grizedale on 15/3/20

12 Update from 50th Anniversary Group

- SL is finalising meal choices.
- The Committee decided that fun games 'on the walls' would be included, but no formal quiz.
- Founder Members currently not in the club will be invited (if possible) but otherwise, the dinner will simply be 'open' to anyone else who is inclined to come along and pay for it.

13 AOB

BL will take part in the Orienteering Participation Satisfaction Survey.

BL will not respond to the British Orienteering Membership Statistics Survey as it was felt to be irrelevant.

14 Date of next meeting

Monday 4th November 2019 at Dick and Angela Whitworth's house (7pm)

The meeting closed at approx. 8:50pm

Border Liners Orienteering Club AGM Minutes 2019

Rose and Crown, Low Hesket, 7.30pm 22nd October

1. Present

Richard Evans (Chairman), Dick Whitworth (Treasurer), Carol Edwards (Secretary), Barbara Atkinson, Isabel Berry, Karen Blackburn, Joan and Mike Cumpstey, Anita Evans, Anita Laird, Chris and Helen Lates, Andy and Stella Lewsley, Richard Moss, Dan and Karen Parker, Marguerite Pennell, Jeff Powell Davies, Owain Rice, Angela Whitworth

2. Apologies for Absence

Christine Goulding, Alan Hartley, Natalie Hawkrigg, Christine Kiddier, Dougal Kyle, Di Mitchell, Shirley Moss, Phil Nichols, David and Tom Rawle, Ruben Razzetti, Andrew and Judy Suddaby, Robin Thomas, Debbie Thompson, Keith Tonkin, Paul Williams, Jenny and Raymond Wren, Jane Yates

3. Minutes of the 2018 AGM

These were circulated at the meeting. Following a minor correction, they were agreed. (Proposed Dick Whitworth, Seconded Anita Laird)

4. Matters Arising not otherwise on the Agenda

There were none.

5. Chairman's Report

Richard Evans reported as follows:

"I'm going to begin as I began last year, by saying that it has been another very successful year for BL and for individual members.

The club has put on 12 events - 9 Level D, 1 Galoppen which is level C, and 1 level B. The latter was the Compass Sport Cup heat in March, with 379 entries running on a new map produced by Dan and Karen who also planned. Raymond and Jenny staged the Christmas charity event again - 114 runners took part and £555 was raised for Lake District Mountain Rescue Search Dogs. The club paid the BO levy so that the entire amount raised went to the charity.

There have been a number of outstanding individual achievements:

At the JK, Stella won all three individual races in W65, and was then part of the gold medal winning Vet Women relay team. Karen P was 3rd W55.

At the British Champs, Karen P and Stella won their age group classes at Kilnsey.

British Relay Champs: Stella, Carol and Christine K 1st W60.

In the British Middle Champs Christine K was 3rd W65 and Keith 2nd M60 Christine K 1st W65, Carol 2nd W60, Keith 2nd M60 in the British Sprint Champs Scottish

Individual Champs:

M21L 1st Alan Hartley (M45), M35L 3rd Jeff Powell Davies, M45S 1st Paul Gaines, M50S 3rd

David Rawle, M55S 1st Dan Parker, M60L 3rd Keith Tonkin, M60S 1st Philip Nichols, M65S 1st Andrew Bell, M80 1st Dick Whitworth, W12B 3rd Maria Gaines, W14B 1st Isabel Gaines

This list demonstrates that it's not just one or two people achieving good results; standards are rising throughout the club.

(Quote from Karen B's newsletter) 'BL has a sprint orienteering World Champion in Christine Kiddier, who won Women's 65 at the World Masters Orienteering Championships in Riga, Latvia in early July. It was a slightly hollow victory as almost all classes were voided due to a locked doorway, so no medals were awarded, instead a flower ceremony was held.'

Christine K was also the W65 winner in the UK O League 2018 and Women's Ultravet Champ in the 2018 Urban League.

At the White Rose in Scarborough, the Gaines family came joint second family overall for Middle Distance and Urban Classic combined. Paul was 2nd overall in M45S, Maria was 1st in W12B and Isabel 2nd in W14B.

At the Scottish 6 Day Christine G was 1st overall in W55, Stella 2nd running up 20 years in W45. Jane Yates was 1st in W50S on Day 1 and Maisie was 1st overall in W16B.

In Dec 2018 at the Euro City Race in Funchal, on Day 1 Keith 1st and James Crawford 4th in Supervets. Christine K 2nd Ultravets. On Day 2 Keith 1st and James 3rd in Supervets.

BL qualified for the final of the Compass Sport Trophy, which was a very good team effort. We haven't sent a full team to the finals because of the location in the SE.

Finally, Ruben won a Bronze at the British Schools Score Champs.

There may be other achievements which should have been included - if so, I apologise. The whole list provides a spectrum of achievement across age and ability range - from W12 to M80, and various types of competition, and that's very pleasing, and very much what we should be about as a club.

Shortly after last year's AGM (so this is fairly old news), Compass Sport magazine published their unofficial Club Rankings for 2018, based on BO ranking points. BL were top open club and second overall to EUOC. We were also unofficial 'Club of the Year'. This should not be taken too seriously but it is welcome publicity and a sign of the direction in which the club is travelling.

A second mapping day was organised by Dan and Karen and proved very interesting. A small group of potential mappers is slowly emerging, which can only be a good thing. I believe Dan and Karen are currently working on the Martindale/Boredale area, which will link up with the Hallin Fell map, and various other projects are under consideration.

As I said last year, none of this is possible without the hard work of club members and I must thank all who have contributed in any way over the last year. We are very fortunate in having so many experienced organisers, planners and controllers. The spirit and ethos within the club is absolutely terrific and without all this this nothing much would happen.

So, thanks again to everybody.

Once again, a highly experienced committee member is standing down. Anita Laird has been fixtures secretary for many years and has carried out the task with efficiency and, most importantly, great good humour. She has a huge fund of knowledge concerning landowners and permissions and, most importantly, arrangements have been made to ensure that this is not lost. The job is so big that it is

essentially being divided into three in future, which gives some indication of Anita's workload over the years. All we can say is 'Thank You'.

Finally, as I'm sure we all know, it is BL's 50th birthday year- various celebrations are planned and I'd like to thank the small sub-group which has taken this on."

6. School and Youth Development Officer's Report

Jane Yates was not present so her report was read by the chairman.

"It's been a busy year for our BL squad members with Tom, Ruben and Laura attending monthly North West Junior Squad training weekends. A special thanks to Christine Kiddier for helping with transport, helping with the Squad and providing extra sessions during the week for our trio to further hone their navigational skills. It's brilliant to see the three of them rising to the challenge of more technical courses this year and going from strength to strength in local and national competitions. Tom is currently 3rd in the Cumbrian Galoppen on the Green course and Ruben is 1st on Light Green.

There has also been success for BL members in the school competitions with Ruben recently winning Bronze in the British Schools Score Championships. More locally, during the Cumbria School Orienteering Championships in July, we saw Laura win 2nd Girl in Year 10, and Ruben 1st boy in Year 8.

During the Summer, two families dominated the podiums for the Junior B classes at the White Rose in Scarborough, with Maisy, Lewis, Isabel and Maria all coming 1st in their classes. An added bonus was the Gaines family coming 3rd in the overall best family trophy. It looks like we'll have a strong team for the Peter Palmer Relays in 2020 at Hawse End.

A special thanks to Ruben who has really stepped up to his role as Junior Rep, especially organising the excellent cake stall at recent events with the help of other juniors. Thanks to everyone who has provided cakes so far. Proceeds so far have been put towards buying a junior tent to use at events - which is proving a fantastic social hub for juniors and parents! Talking of parents, it's wonderful to see the NWJS parents rising to the culinary challenge during the local squad weekends - I believe their bolognaise sauce is infamous!

Contacts are continuing to be made with schools and some exciting collaboration with Cumbria Active more recently to discuss orienteering for schools in Cumbria. In July 2020, BL (with me) will work with WCOC and LOC to put on the Cumbria School Games (which will now merge with the Cumbria School Orienteering Championships for primary schools) which will be held at the Sheepmount in Carlisle and include a maze course and a cross-county course with an exciting track finish.

It's been brilliant to see further use of school grounds for club nights (Lazonby and Shap Schools) which is increasing awareness of orienteering for families and the community. I would finally like to thank BL for funding my place on the Level 2 coaching course in the Spring/Summer and am looking forward to providing my first coaching session for the NWJS in November (a night coaching event at Nunwick Hall) and supporting Christine's coaching sessions in 2020 for BL. Watch this space!"

7. Membership Report

The club currently has 105 BO members (82 seniors and 23 juniors), In addition there are 10 people with "friends" membership (8 seniors and 2 juniors). The equivalent figures for last year were 94 BO

members and 6 “friends” members. This information was provided by Richard and Shirley Moss who were thanked by the chairman for their work as Membership Secretaries.

8. Club Night Report

Stella Lewsley reported that there has been a good and varied series of club nights over the year and thanked those who have put them on. Two of the club nights, Shap (organised by Alan Hartley) and Lazonby (organised by Jane Yates), used new maps. The Shap club night was preceded by an event for the local school in which around 60 children took part. Attendance at club nights varied between 8 and 20 people. The club night in March was unusual in that it included no orienteering activity; instead a physio discussed knee injuries. It was very well attended. Stella thanked Dick Whitworth and Dan Parker for their willingness to customise and print maps, but pointed out that a “proper” map is not always necessary.

Thinking about club nights for the forthcoming year, Jenny Wren and Chris Lates, who have been heavily involved in previous years, would like to take a reduced role. Stella is willing to continue coordinating them though. She circulated a list of possible dates and venues, and asked for volunteers to take them on. She is happy to mentor anyone who feels they need help. Stella also explained that in the past, for insurance purposes, someone who had attended a COLA had to be present at all club nights but that is no longer the case; simply registering the club night as an BO activity gives the necessary cover.

9. Treasurer’s Report and Financial Statement

Copies of the audited accounts were circulated at the meeting. The treasurer Dick Whitworth spoke briefly, mentioning the following points:

- The excess of income over expenditure for the year was £412.
- The major sources of income were the Compass Sport Cup event at Bampton Common which produced a surplus of £2390, the club’s share of the Lakes 5 Days profit (£2610) and a NWOA grant (£1600) to partially cover the cost of new SI equipment for training sessions (which cost £2271).
- Notable expenses were the subsidy of club kit (about 30% of the cost is covered by the club), and payment to cover the theft of a portable toilet (£400) at the Swindale event in September 2018.

Stella expressed approval of the things the club spends its money on: subsidised kit, coaching and first-aid courses for members etc. These all create a good club ethos and reward volunteer effort.

Dick recommended that membership fees remain unchanged for the forthcoming year (at £5 for seniors and £1 for juniors). This was proposed by Andy Lewsley, seconded by Carol Edwards and approved by the meeting.

10. Proposal to Change the Constitution Regarding the Signing of Cheques

The treasurer Dick Whitworth explained the background to the proposal. At present the constitution requires any two of the chairman, secretary and treasurer to sign all cheques. This is not compatible with the cheque signatories registered on either of the two accounts the club holds. The intention of the change is to allow the committee to nominate two signatories in addition to treasurer, and then require cheques to be sign by any two of these three people.

Unfortunately, there were insufficient club members at the meeting to allow the change to be passed.

(25% of membership is required.) It was therefore proposed (by Owain Rice and seconded by Richard Evans) that a Special General Meeting be held on 3rd November at the High Pike event to

allow a vote to be taken on the matter. This was agreed by the meeting. Notice of the meeting will be sent to all club members in the club news email. Chris Lates and Owain Rice both suggested amendments to the proposed new wording to make it better reflect the intention of the change.

11. Club Awards

These are decided by the club chairman who announced the awards as follows:

Junior: Kieran Grehan.

The chairman read the following recommendation from Jane Yates "He's 12 (so M13). He's been a regular at Saturday events for a couple of years but this year he's been especially busy as he has also walked the whole length of Hadrian's Wall to raise funds for a Magic Carpet for his school. He raised well over his target of £500. Kieran lives in Carlisle but attends a special school in Newcastle. His parents bring him to Saturday events and although Kieran has the dibber, his parents are in the background. Kieran really enjoys orienteering. Doing the Wall over the summer was a bit like an orienteering course as he had 84 miles, with 16 forts, 79 milecastles and 160 turrets with 1132 ascent."

Senior: Anita Laird.

Anita is retiring as fixtures secretary after 10 years and the award is for the work she has put in, and the effort she has made to ensure that her vast knowledge and experience is passed on to those taking over. The chairman also mentioned that she has been involved with the club for around 43 years and read an email from her son who started orienteering at the same time and is now chairman of INVOC. He also presented Anita with a birthday card from the club as she is 75 today. Anita said that she is happy to offer help and advice on fixtures to the club in the future and thanked Keith Tonkin for helping her to set up a Google Drive site to for sharing the information she holds.

12. Election of Committee and Non-Committee Posts

Anita Laird is retiring as Fixtures Secretary. All other post holders are willing to continue in their roles. According to the constitution the maximum number of committee members is 12. Last year there were 15. Fortunately, two existing committee members Jeff Powell Davies (Electronic Equipment Officer) and Ruben Razzetti (Junior Rep) want to stand down from the committee while retaining their roles in a non-committee capacity. Karen Parker, who is currently on the committee, has offered to replace Anita Laird as fixtures secretary. These changes will mean that the committee has 12 members as required. Richard Evans asked whether anyone else would like to stand for committee membership or specific posts, but there were no offers. It was therefore proposed and accepted that the committee and non-committee posts should be appointed as shown in the table below. (Proposed Stella Lewsley, seconded Owain Rice)

13. AOB

There was none.

The meeting closed at 20:30

Committee Posts	
POST	POSTHOLDER
Chair	Richard Evans

Vice Chair	Stella Lewsley
Secretary	Carol Edwards
Treasurer	Dick Whitworth
Fixtures Secretary	Karen Parker
Minutes Secretary	David Rawle
Club Coaching Officer	Christine Kiddier
Schools & Youth Development Officer	Jane Yates
Mapping Officer	Dan Parker
Committee Member - 1	Christine Goulding
Committee Member - 2	Keith Tonkin (also Relay Team Manager)
Fixtures Personnel Manager	Paul Williams

Non-Committee Posts	
POST	POSTHOLDER
Press & Publicity	David Rawle
Equipment Officers	Jenny and Raymond Wren
Membership Secretaries	Richard and Shirley Moss
Club Emailer	Karen Blackburn
Web-Site Manager	Anita Evans
Junior Rep	Ruben Razzetti
Electronic Equipment Officer	Jeff Powell Davies
NWOA Liaison Officer	Richard Evans
Safety Officer	Raymond Wren

Minutes of BL Committee Meeting

Monday 4th November 2019

7pm at.....

1. Present

Richard Evans (RE), Carol Edwards (CE), David Rawle (DR), Dick Whitworth (DW), Stella Lewsley (SL), Karen Parker (KP), Dan Parker (DP), Jane Yates (JY)

2. Apologies

Christine Goulding, Christine Kiddier, Keith Tonkin, Paul Williams.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 10th September 2019.

Minutes agreed. It was noted that no further progress had been made with the Participation Survey and this is not to be taken further.

4. Matters arising not covered elsewhere

4.1 Report from NWOA meeting

DW confirmed he had put forward the various BL offers to host elements of the 2021 British Orienteering Championships in our area. We await further feedback.

4.2 Appointment of the new Safety Officer

Raymond Wren is stepping down as the Safety Officer, but before making another appointment, RE confirmed he would make enquiries as to the role description and activities of the Safety Officer to see if it was justified to re-fill the role.

5. Treasurer's report

DW gave a brief report and confirmed that the recent High Pike Galoppen had made a healthy profit including approximately £100 from the cake stall.

5.1 Cheque signing and continued use of Skipton Building Society.

DW presented the results of his enquiries with the Cumberland and Skipton Building Societies. The upshot was that the most appropriate course of action appeared to be to keep the Skipton account as the 'deposit account' and use the Cumberland as the 'current account'. Before confirming this course of action DW will confirm if it needs to be club OFFICIALS who are required to be signatories.

6 Event Feedback

6.1 Watermillock (Level D Club – 12th October 2019)

Numbers down a little, possibly due to perceived parking problems which didn't materialise. Otherwise it was a good event.

6.2 Training Night Penrith 14th October

A great night training session and good location in Penrith.

6.3 High Pike (Level C Regional Galoppen – 3rd November 2019) Despite the damp weather this was a very good event with good feedback on the courses.

6.4 AGM

Went well. Good venue. Good buffet.

7 Club Development

7.1 Junior Rep Feedback

The Junior Rep (Ruben Razzetti) has proposed a Junior League. There was some discussion about how to implement this – possibly using the Level D Saturday morning events. It was left for the Juniors to consider this further. The Juniors will also look into some medal awards.

There was also some discussion about the Juniors planning and implementing their own event. It was suggested that Christine Kiddier could help with this. A desktop planning session was also proposed, which would require a hall or room with an overhead projector or digital screen.

7.2 Club development Strategy

CK, CE & SL will pick this up when Christine gets back from Australia. An invitation for Club Development suggestions is to be made on Karen Blackburn's weekly email bulletin.

8 Mapping

DP provided an update. The key points were:

- DW did some updates for the High Pike event, but Lidar data is required for a full update.
- The Coombs Wood map is to be updated in early December 2019.
- DP has done some updates to the Penrith map.
- Penrith Beacon requires an update to include a newly constructed major track following the recent thinning works.
- JY requested an update of the Carlisle Sheepmount map in anticipation of some School sessions with Active Cumbria in 2020. DW will undertake these updates at no charge.
- DW explained that the new club printer was heavy on the use of yellow ink especially when large areas of 'open land' are being printed. There was a discussion about omitting yellow shading for open land on future maps. It was decided to take yellow shading off for the Faulds Brow event next year and see what the map looked like.

9 Fixtures

9.1 Level D event process document

RE has produced this comprehensive document. KP will do some further research into club First Aiders.

9.2 2020 Fixtures

With Paul Williams away there was no formal update however the following points were discussed:

- Stella and Andy Lewsley offered to arrange the Miltonrigg Level D event.
- Penrith Beacon – No organiser yet identified. Lack of parking is seen as the biggest issue. It was felt we should try Penrith Golf Club as an HQ/Parking again.
- Angle Tarn Pikes – Dan and Karen Parker offered to be the Planner and Organiser for this event currently earmarked for September 2020.
- Raymond Wren will again put on the Christmas Social at Whittas Park on 28th December 2019.
- BL have been approached to organise the British Schools Orienteering Championships in 2021, 2022 or 2023. Lowther Estate are keen on big events such as this so it was AGREED that BL would make the offer to run the event in 2021 (Date: 21st November 2021).
- Due to potential difficulties with the use of Nunwick Hall for the Level D Club event in November 2020 it was AGREED that DP would look to complete a mapping of the Rosgill Moor area so that this could be used as an alternative.
- To note that the Carlisle Urban event in 2020 needs to be a Level C event rather than Level D (as currently shown)

10 Update from Team Manager

Thanks to the Cumpsteys who provided the only BL representation at the recent Compass Sport Trophy finals in the south of England.

11 Update from 50th Anniversary Group

SL confirmed that 65 places had been ordered. Dougal Kyle has kindly offered to donate a dozen bottles of Prosecco for the event. SL requested the club buys some proper Prosecco glasses and this was AGREED. It was decided that BL would not provide helium filled balloons.

12 AOB

A special mention was made about the group of volunteers who collect kites and controls at the end of each event. RE agreed that they should be mentioned and thanked specifically at the next AGM.

13 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 14th January 2020 (7pm) at.....

The meeting closed at approx. 8:45pm