

Minutes for Border Liners Committee Meeting

Tuesday 4th May 2021 - 7pm via Zoom

1. Present

Richard Evans (RE), Dick Whitworth (DW), Dan Parker (DP), Karen Parker (KP), Keith Tonkin (KT), David Rawle (DR), Christine Kiddier (CK) Christine Goulding (CG) Carol Edwards (CE) Stella Lewsley (SL) Jane Yates (JY)

2. Apologies

None

3. Minutes of the meeting on 2nd March (circulated)

These were agreed.

4. Matters arising not covered elsewhere

It was noted that the junior clothing swap took place at the Knipe Scar event.

5. Treasurer (report circulated)

DW provided a brief summary in advance of the meeting of income and expenditure re-printed below. At the meeting DW confirmed that the Knipe Scar event had made a surplus of £250.

Hackthorpe surplus	£115.05
Lowther refund for BSOC of	£600
Knipe entry fees of	£817.54

Expenditure:-

Printer cartridge	£61.30
4 battery replacements	£86.40
New SI results licence	£120

Knipe so far:-Lowther access	£149
Loos	£91
Parking field	£75

BOF levy	£196.50
NWOA levy	£19.65

5.1 Purchase of a few safety straps for hire dibbers

It was **AGREED** that the club would acquire 10 safety straps for our hire dibbers at a cost of £20 total.

5.2 Helper entry fees at Level C and above

The Committee discussed the pro's and con's of charging a subsidised entry fee for helpers at club events. At present, all helpers get a free run. It was **AGREED** that there would continue to be **NO** charge for helpers.

5.3 Purchase of more fibreglass control stakes

The Committee debated whether to acquire some additional fibreglass control stakes. The following course of action was **AGREED**:

- Ask Raymond Wren to count how many are currently in store.
- Ask Karen Blackburn to request in a newsletter whether any club member has any fibreglass stakes at home.
- In light of the above results, circulate an email round Committee members requesting views on acquiring additional stakes.

6. Membership (report circulated)

Richard Moss provided a brief report to confirm there are currently 80 senior members and 18 junior members, which is very satisfactory in the circumstances.

7. Event Feedback

7.1 Hackthorpe 10th April – A good event and a nice return to orienteering after the latest lockdown.

7.2 Knipe Scar 25th April – An excellent day out in great conditions.

7.3 Chances Park Training 19th April – This was considered to be a very good training event and KT confirmed that the course was still available as a Maprun until 31/5/21.

8. Coaching (CK's report circulated and re-printed below)

I have started coaching older juniors again, using both Maprun on open areas, and conventional mini kites which will be at the end of this week. I am planning on a weekly session with them to help with the British Middle, and Northern Champs. Ruben is hoping to go to one of the camps this summer, and he will need some good results in the next month hence the training sessions which also benefit the others.

Strength and Conditioning is continuing weekly apart from club training nights. I have been surprised by the numbers attending. They have gone down a little, but there is a hard core of between 12 and 15 who attend most weeks. There will probably be a summer break as I will be away for 2 - 3 weeks, but it will return!

Christine also confirmed that the Strength and Conditioning sessions would continue.

9. Mapping (report circulated)

DP confirmed that the Alston map had been updated to the latest ISSprOM 2019 together with the latest BL branding. DP also confirmed he was undertaking further mapping of the Bampton Common area in preparation for the September Long O event.

10. Permanent Orienteering Courses (report circulated)

KT confirmed there had been Initial mapping visits recently to Watchtree & Ratlingate, but there was further work to be done. The Chances Park area has a shortage of suitable posts in place. Further review is needed but it may turn out to be better as a virtual O area. KT has not yet decided on POC markers subject to further review of costs.

11. Team Captain – nothing to report.

12. Fixtures (The 2021 fixtures list was circulated for information. Not re-printed here)

12.1 Events

12.1.1 Gowbarrow helpers/organisation – There was some discussion about this event and it was agreed that Karen Blackburn would ask for helpers in the next newsletter.

12.1.2 Alston - is there any covid-related stuff to discuss? – SL will have a word with organiser Paul Watson about this event and see if there are any specific Covid related issues to consider for urban events.

12.1.3 A lack of organiser for the Carlisle Urban event was noted. **AGREED** to ask Karen Blackburn to advertise the opportunity to organise the event.

12.2 Mapruns

KT confirmed he had prepared a Maprun event for Eycott Hill using only the re-entrants as control points. It was **AGREED** that this should be made public when KT has time to complete this.

12.3 Club nights

The Club nights are all progressing satisfactorily.

13. Club Development

13.1 Ask me bibs (quote circulated) – It was **AGREED** that the Club should buy 3no. tops with the reflective material.

13.2 New O tops – CG confirmed that correspondence with Bryzos has shown that there are potentially unknown charges that may be incurred when obtaining products from the EU. It was **AGREED** that CG would post on the Nopesport forum to ask what other UK clubs are doing.

13.3 Setting up a development group – **AGREED** that this would be instigated once we are properly able to meet again in person.

14. Use of BL equipment for British Sprint Championships 22nd August

Committee members confirmed they were happy for BL equipment to be used for these championships. KT will attach blue and red electrical tape to BL items for identification.

15. AOB

DW confirmed that John Roelich had recently given him all his schools orienteering equipment. The kites will be particularly useful for the club.

There was some discussion about the next 'Lakes 5' event and RE confirmed that the recent club delegates meeting was less than successful with no general consensus on agreed areas. No further action at present.

16. Date of next meeting – Tuesday 13th July 2021 on Zoom.

The meeting closed at 8:30pm