

**Wimborne Orienteers Committee Meeting
at Wimborne Town Hall
19:30 Thursday 15 June 2017**

Minutes of Meeting

Distributed by email to:

Kevin Pickering, Andrew French, John Warren,
Chris Branford, Karen French, Dick Keighley,
John Oakes, Andrew Howard, Becca Ellis,
Eamon Staunton

Revision History		
Revision	Date	Details
0	28-Jun-17	Draft
1	15-Jul-17	Corrections highlighted

Posted on Website:

<http://www.wimborne-orienteers.co.uk/d7/node/122>

Present:

Kevin Pickering (Chair) **(KP)**
Andrew French **(AF)**
Philip Harvey (Secretary) **(PH)**
John Warren **(JW)**
Andrew Howard **(AH)**
Chris Branford **(CB)**
Dick Keighley **(DK)**
Eamon Staunton **(ES)**
Becca Ellis **(BE)**

Apologies for Absence:

Karen French (Treasurer) **(KF)**,
John Oakes **(JO)**

The meeting was called to order by **KP** at 19:30.

1. **Minutes of last meeting on 16 March 2017**

The hard copy was revised to update Section 2: the expenditure and profit/loss of the Wilverley event. Accepted by the committee and signed by **KP** as Chair.

2. **Treasurer's Report**

No problems. Large cash reserves.

3. **Mapping**

3.1. Mapping course at Godshill: Very successful

3.2. Ringwood North: **AF** has put amalgamated the map files into one.

3.3. Mapping Library: **AF** has listed all the maps that we hold, and will upload an official (i.e. latest) version of each to a members' area of the website. After each event, the Planner should please send revised map to **AF**.

ACTION: Inform the committee at the next meeting which files are missing from the register: AF

3.4. New Mapping of Urban Areas: **CB** has maps as works in progress of several urban areas. These have been extracted from LIDAR / OS data to dpx files. They need to be ground-proofed and cartographically tidied. **KP** and **ES** expressed interest in completing Ringwood. Others need volunteer mappers.

4. Equipment

4.1. SI Kit - to be made up to 4 sets

The purchase to make up to 4 sets (estimated cost £1100) is not yet done, but will go ahead without delay.

Dibbers will be monitored, with the expectation to purchase more within the next 1-2 years.

4.2. Tents

Research has been done by **ES**, particularly into Race Arch.

The tents we have are ok, provided they are not slept in the night before, and dripping condensation. They are getting old, but not actually leaking.

At events, it would be good to use 2 tents: **one for Registration/Admin, and a separate one for computing team and download.**

BE offered to research how the Coleman Shelter performs.

Decision: We need a new tent to house the computing team, and would benefit from a lightweight social tent as well.

ACTION: Add to Agenda for next meeting: PH

4.3. OCAD

CB: Can we afford a licence for OCAD v.12? Estimated cost £464.35. Without it, we cannot geo-reference our map files or use LIDAR data. Version 12 can save backwards and forwards to/from Version 9 without loss of data or resolution.

AF: If we do purchase this licence, then it should be installed on a dedicated laptop that also holds Condes.

ACTION: CB and DK to Discuss

Decision: The Committee agreed to the purchase in principle

5. Event Safety Workshops

There is a workshop planned for 23 June in Dorchester, handled by **JW & DK**.

When complete, all of our recognised active event officials will have this qualification.

One workshop per year may be needed to include any new members.

6. Recent Events & Meetings

6.1. Mon 03 Apr 2017 Night League Presentation Wimborne Town

A jolly good evening

6.2. Sat 08 Apr 2017 SWOA Club Conference Points to note:

6.2.1. We should refer to event designations: Major, National, Regional, Local. Not A,B,C,D

6.2.2. At local events it would be desirable for white courses to be planned as 3 short loops rather than 1 longer loop.

6.3. Sun 30 Apr 2017 Yvette Baker Trophy

We were represented by 6 juniors. 9 were needed for a full team. All enjoyed the event nevertheless.

6.4. Fri 12 May 2017 Dorset Schools Champs Moors Valley

Huge turnout. It would be superb if we could recruit all these juniors, and ensure their attendance at other events.

Conversation turned to **Recruitment and Marketing**

AH: More events in school hours would be needed.

KP: Large numbers attend the Boxing Day Canter each year, including friends and family regular orienteers.

ES: We should try to recruit them.

BE: The website home page is confusing for beginners. It is not clear which event(s) a beginner should go for. Information to welcome beginners should be given top priority. **PH:** Information for existing members does not have to be on the home page.

Old hands will be familiar with the site.

Discussions continued regarding the re-design of the home page. **DK** agreed to look at it.

Returning to Schools Champs:

DK: Jason Falconer of WSX is keen to link the Dorset Schools Champs with the Dorset Schools Games. These Games are free entry, so we would need to subsidise: maybe £200. We need to consider insurance and British Orienteering rules.

ACTION: Discuss with Jason: DK

6.5. Thu 18 May 2017 SWOA Committee Meeting Points to note:

- 6.5.1. SW clubs should charge students the 'Juniors' rate for entries.
- 6.5.2. Christine Vince asked for clubs to organise more Level B events. Otherwise, there will be a resulting void where Planners and Controllers do not get the training or the practice.
- 6.5.3. Please could there be more Black courses.
- 6.5.4. Need officials for JK2021
- 6.5.5. There will be a Planners course in Exeter Sat Oct 7. Maximum 40 attendees.
- 6.5.6. SWOA Chair is needed.

6.6. Sun 21 May 2017 SW Sprint Champs Blandford Forum

Successful day with fantastic weather – everyone outside having a picnic and thoroughly enjoying themselves.

6.7. Mon 05 Jun 2017 Summer League Blandford Milldown

Successful despite the rain, but the coaching was not well attended, due to the rain.

7. Forthcoming Meetings and Events

See Fixture List distributed by **CB**, with additional comments:

7.1. Sat 08 Jul 2017 WIM/MVCP, Wimborne Square Need Organiser

7.2. Sun 24 Sep 2017 Galoppen. Ibsley is not going to be possible due to permission withdrawn by NT. Gore Heath is a possibility. **JW** to enquire.

7.3. Sun 22 Oct 2017 CSC/CST Final, DEVON, near Tavistock **BE** has not yet received the details. Location is 3 hours drive. We need to find out which cub members intend to run, and then decide whether to organise a coach or not. **KP** to write email, **CB** to send through Mailchimp.

BE has a relative who owns a nearby bunk house that might be suitable and available for accommodation, and will find out more.

8. Juniors and Coaching

8.1. Funding for Sarah and Elizabeth Horsler to JROS

The committee agreed to subsidise £150

9. Mapping and POCs

9.1. Mapping course: Ran out of time to discuss

9.2. Upload of POCs to British Orienteering: Avon Heath and ByTheWay **AF** to do.

10. Access to Ibsley and Rockford

Handled by **JW** and **KP**. Access is withheld. There will be a meeting with NT on 21 Jun 2017.

11. O-Tops

Committee agreed to subsidise the cost so that each adult would pay £12.50, and each junior's top would be free of charge. Juniors would be expected to hand the tops back when grown out of.

12. Correspondence

12.1. 02 Jun 2017: Received by **KP**: GB Team World Orienteering Champs. Discuss next meeting.

12.2. 05 Jun 2017. Received by **KF**: Request for officials' expenses to be donated to Orienteering Foundation. **ACTION: PH** to upload a link to the website.

13. A.O.B.

13.1. Sponsorship of **DK** to attend WTOC: The Committee agreed to provide £200.

13.2. **BE**: Avon Heath, John Egging Trust: This organisation supports youths at high risk. They would like to bring groups to Avon Heath, over 2 days, during school hours. **BE** can handle one session, but 2 sessions would stretch work commitments. Help is needed. The Committee expressed total support. Help will be forthcoming when needed.

13.3. **PH** received a request from British Orienteering to complete a Survey Monkey questionnaire. Committee authorised **PH** to complete.

The meeting ran out of time.

14. Next Meeting

14 Sep 2017 TBC

AGM: Fri 13 Oct 2017 TBC (**PH** will be absent, stand-in secretary is needed to record the minutes)