

## **COBOC Committee Meeting held 15/4/15 Birmingham Outdoor Education Centre**

**Present** - Dave Ellis, Mick Sadler, Ian Gamlen, Bob Scott, Barry McGowan, Jenny Hunter

**Apologies** – Adrian Bailey and Ruth Lockley

**Minutes of the last meeting held 4/2/15** – as read

### **Matters arising**

Dave has not yet tried the power bank charger for the laptop but he will do so

COBOC Club Championship

Ian has realised that there is potentially a flaw in the current proposed method in deciding who should be Club Champion as the current rules we do not distinguish between male and female competitors and we therefore it may unfairly discriminate against female members of the club. In view of this Ian proposed that we should have 2 trophies one for male and one for female club members. This was agreed.

We then discussed whether we should continue to use essentially the same formula ie course winners time/fastest club members time x 100, but to compare male course winner with fastest male club member and female course winner with fastest female club member. Barry suggested an alternative approach –using BOF ranking points. It was agreed that we would continue to use essentially the same formula as before. This means that this year's Female Club Champion was Ruth Lockley and this year's Male Club Champion was Ian Gamlen.

### **Chairmans Report**

WOC Sprint Final Forres Sunday 2/8/15

The following club members are due to be going to the Scottish 6 Days and are due to be helping to organise the Finish arena: Dave Ellis, Ian, Glynn, Bob, Barry, Adrian, (+ Catherine) Dave Arnot, Ruth Lockley and John O'Meara, Yvonne and Andy Feasey

Jobs will include: Preparing and dressing the arena, control marshalls, etc. More details to come in the months/weeks ahead

Birmingham City plans for the Birmingham Outdoor Education Centre – Dave has not heard anything more about this.

Dave confirmed that we are currently paying £10 per week rent to the Clifton Road Youth Centre for the use of the facilities. This will be paid quarterly in arrears by COBOC. In terms of income from COBOC club nights and Wed evening events we took £144 from Oct – Dec 2014 and £124 from Jan-Feb.

### **Treasurers report**

As of 15/4/16 the COBOC accounts are as follows:

COBOC Peter Palmer Account £2495.07

COBOC Current Account £304.60

COBOC Deposit Account 1,199.56

With regards to the BMET/BVGS event we took £123 in map sales, Si card hire etc. In terms of expenditure we paid £37 for the printing of the maps and £6 in Easter eggs. Ian to help figure out how to complete ER1 as we need to distinguish between BOF and non BOF members on the return.

SI unit 107 requires updating – Dave to give this to Ian to do

Adrian, Barry, and Bob have all paid their local membership fee for this year.

### **Fixtures Secretary Report**

Wrekin are renaming the Long Mynd Event the John Bennison Memorial Event

JK 2018 will be held in Wales but organised by West Midlands Clubs

COBOC are due to be organising the WM Schools Champs on 7/5/16. Dave has agreed to be planner and will ask Sam Chambers to be controller. The area needs to be agreed – Kingfisher was suggested as a possible area.

British Schools Champs 2016 are due to take place on 19-20<sup>th</sup> November 2016 in Sutton Park. It has been agreed that COBOC will plan and organise the Training Event on the Saturday 19/11/16. Barry Elkington (OD) will be planning a separate courses for the selection race. On Nov 20<sup>th</sup> Schools Champs will be organised by OD possibly with support from COBOC.

British Champs 2016 to be organised by WM Clubs venue is Brown Clee Hill in Shropshire

### **Clubmark**

There was not enough time to discuss this item. Ian agreed to try and progress our application and report back to the committee at the next meeting.

### **AOB**

Dave mentioned that Warwickshire County Cricket Club are offering £3 cash back if you can demonstrate that you are a member of a Birmingham Sports Club

### **Date of Next Meeting**

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> June 2015 at 8pm Clifton Road Outdoor Education Centre