

East Midlands Orienteering Association Executive Committee Meeting – 29 June 2015

Item No	Description	Action
<p>Present: Mike Gardner (DVO), Bob Haskins (LEI), John Hurley (DVO), Pauline Olivant (NOC), David Olivant (NOC), Hilary Palmer (NOC), Chris Phillips (LEI), Amanda Roberts (LOG), Mark Webster (NOC), Ursula Williamson (LEI), John Woodall (NOC).</p>		
1	<p>Apologies for Absence: No apologies were received</p>	
2	<p>Approval of Minutes of Meeting on 23rd March 2015 – The minutes were accepted as a true record of the previous meeting with the removal of “not” from “not tended not” in 5c. Approved by John Woodall and seconded by Hilary Palmer.</p>	
3	<p>Website version of minutes – It was agreed the website could take the minutes as is. Approved: John Hurley Seconded: Chris Phillips</p>	<p>Mike Gardner to inform webmaster.</p>
4	<p>Actions Outstanding from previous minutes (not covered elsewhere)</p> <p>a) Chris Phillips had a meeting with the Forestry Commission Area Manager at Fineshade on 12th May. Unfortunately the Area Manager was just about to move on. However all access is done through Sherwood Pines office for all East Midlands and much of West Midlands. NOC have a good relationship with the Sherwood Pines team and so if they do have an annual meeting they will inform LEI/LOG.</p> <p>b) Feedback from clubs on membership reduction. DVO, LEI, and LOG all felt they had stable membership. NOC have a special meeting and will provide feedback after that.</p>	<p>NOC (Pauline Olivant) to keep LEI/LOG informed if they have an annual meeting with Forestry Commission NOC (Pauline Olivant) to provide feedback on membership after their meeting on the subject.</p>
5.	<p>Treasurer’s Report</p> <p>The Treasurer provided a summary which is basically the end of the financial year. Instead of making a loss of £1,000 as budgeted, it is likely to show a profit of around £500. Primarily this is because coaching course budgets not been taken up, and event levies were up (especially due to CompassSport Cup event).</p> <p>There were 2 requests for funding from members for attendance at squad events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peter Hodkinson for world cup races • Finn Lydon for Deeside camp <p>Both applications for funding were approved at the usual rate of one third of the costs to be paid by EMOA (on condition they provide tour reports for EMEWS).</p>	<p>Mark Webster to provide grants to the two members and request articles for EMEWS on completion. Mark Webster to create budget in preparation for AGM</p>

	Mark will create a budget in readiness for the AGM. He is unlikely to recommend any change of levies or fees.	
6.	<p>Development</p> <p>i. Social Media Training – At the last meeting we discussed using social media to attract new members. The National Office is looking at creating a Social Media Training course.</p> <p>ii. Regional Training & Development Day – Sat 31 Oct – Chris Phillips circulated a proposed agenda of courses which will be sent out in EMEWS. So far we have already had 14 for the Event Safety and 2 for the Planners course. We have also had possible enquiries from outside EMOA to attend. It was agreed non-EMOA members should be able to attend. It was agreed that Clubs should contribute £5 (£15 for non EMOA clubs – full day, £10 for half-day) per club member attending the Regional Training Day. This would include lunch.</p> <p>iii. First Aid Course - It was decided we would not include a First Aid course as part of Regional Training & Development Day First Aid Courses can be arranged through County Sports Partnerships.</p> <p>iv. BO Website – It was agreed the Regional Training & Development Day information could go on BO website but EMOA members would get priority. Pauline Olivant to send form to Chris to be used to submit to BO website.</p>	<p>Chris Phillips to get updated item in EMEWS for Regional Training & Development Day.</p> <p>Pauline Olivant to send form to Chris to be used to submit to BO website.</p>
7.	<p>Coaching</p> <p>Hilary Palmer had no update on Coaching.</p>	
8.	<p>Junior Squad</p> <p>A separate report was provided to the committee from Dai Bedwell. The committee thanked Dai for a good report.</p> <p>This included that the junior squad continues to be active and successful. It has 2 juniors on the Lagganlia tour, one at Deeside and one at Gothenburg. It has also had junior representation at JWOC, on top of recent squad members running at the World Schools in Turkey.</p> <p>Liaison has taken place between the Junior Squad and Coaching to ensure sharing of resources where possible. There is still no volunteer to act as Junior Squad contact from LEI.</p> <p>Dai had requested Clubs to identify to him any second year M/W12s who are running well on orange/light green and who should be invited to join the squad next season. He will invite them to Squad training in September/October. If there are M/W14+ juniors who are running light green or above confidently and who wish to improve their orienteering but somehow have missed out on a squad invitation then he'd like to involve them too.</p> <p>The Junior Squad looks like it is coming in under budget this year and so the Treasurer plans at this stage to have the same funding available to them next year.</p> <p>The Junior Squad are also running the Bramcote Event later in the year which will assist their funding.</p>	<p>Chris Phillips / Ursula Williamson / Bob Haskins to identify LEI junior squad contact and inform Dai Bedwell.</p> <p>Club Reps to identify to Dai any second year M/W12s who are running well on orange/light green and who should be invited to join the squad next season. Also if there are M/W14+ juniors who are running light green or above confidently and who wish to improve their</p>

		orienteering but somehow have missed out on a squad invitation.
9.	<p>Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. John Hurley had circulated his response to the franchising proposal from British Orienteering. Mike Hamilton has since reported that this approach will not be taken forward. ii. A follow on proposal seemed to have been created which talked about the use of a “super levy” for the British events. Clubs had been requested to respond on this proposal. John Hurley requested clubs to copy him on any responses so he knew the EMOA clubs responses. iii. Ernie Williams in his role as chair of Events Officials Group had requested regions to share information on the training courses that had been held in their region. Chris Phillips agreed to coordinate feedback and send on to Ernie. 	<p>Club Reps to ensure any response to BO on super levy proposal has copied John Hurley in on response.</p> <p>Chris Phillips agreed to coordinate feedback and send on to Ernie.</p>
10.	<p>Fixtures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. EMOA League 2015 – The LEI event on 27th December is now likely to be Castle Hill. b. EMOA Urban League 2015 – 3 good events so far. The Southwell event is now going to be in 2016 so suggest just drop this from League for 2015. c. EMOA Night League – There was no real appetite for a Night League across clubs so this proposal will be shelved for now. d. Future Major Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) 5 July 2015 (Notts University) Yvette Baker Trophy Final 2015 – All ready for the event. ii) 29 November 2015 - East Midlands Champs 2015 – Birchen Edge (DVO) iii) 27 February 2016 - British Night Champs 2016 – Cademan Woods (LEI) iv) 28 February 2016 - Midlands Champs 2016 – Sherwood Forest (NOC). Recent site meeting went well. Planner has assistant identified. v) 10 April 2016 – Yvette Baker Trophy Round 2016 – LEI – Beacon Hill vi) 8 October 2016 – British Schools Score Champs - Bagworth (LEI) vii) 27 November 2016 – East Midland Champs 2016 – Wakerley Woods (LEI) e. Future Possible Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) 12 March 2017 - Compass Sport Cup Round – LOG considering Burwell and Haugham ii) Junior Inter-Regional Champs 2018 – The key to hosting is to identify some floor space that could be used. Suggested Mike Gardner to talk to Andy Smith re use of Loughborough High or Abbotsholme. Worksop College and Forces (e.g. RAF (Mitten)) bases suggested as other alternatives. Accommodation and floor space would need to be available for 300 kids for evening and breakfast. 	<p>LOG to determine if can host Compass Sport Cup in 2017</p> <p>Mike Gardner to talk with Andy Smith and</p>

	<p>iii) Midland Champs 2018 – LEI iv) British Sprints / Middles 2019 – LEI / DVO v) Midland Champs 2020 – DVO vi) British / British Relays 2021 or 2022 – Looking in to possibly hosting using SYO areas at present. vii) Midland Champs 2022 – NOC? (Burghley deemed not technical enough).</p> <p>f. Other Fixtures Items</p> <p>i) Red Bull Event 2015 – This will again take place in Sherwood Forest and will be on 1st November 2015. This will clash with LEI event at Burbage Common (part of EM League). NOC have no say in date so apologised to LEI over this. ii) East Midland Score Champs at Clumber – After the wind this event is currently rescheduled to take place on February 7th 2016. iii) All Level B Events are now in fixtures for 2017. Currently there is no DVO Level B event in 2017. This was confirmed as the next level B event DVO have would be January 2018.</p>	<p>Abbotsholme School about possible JIRC accommodation Amanda Roberts to talk to RAF (Mitten) about possible JIRC accommodation</p>
11	<p>Reports:</p> <p>i. John Hurley attended the EOC AGM. A couple of points raised including the fact that it is the region who need to thank the clubs for putting on the Home Internationals as EOC only organise the squads. So if we host in future we need to note this.</p> <p>ii. In addition EOC needed to address a shortfall in funding. It was not huge but had proposed an additional levy on the Regional Championships and a small increase in the regional per capita contributions. The committee felt this was not appropriate and suggested a small extra contribution from competitors would be better (as often costs funded through region).</p>	<p>John Hurley to respond to EOC with our proposal</p>
12	<p>EMEWS: There may be a slight delay in getting minutes and EMEWS out as Mike is controlling the Yvette Baker Trophy this weekend and that will have precedence.</p>	
13	<p>Any Other Business:</p> <p>i) AGM Arrangements – The Pace Room was already booked for Monday 21st September. There are no major official changes planned as far as we know. Mike Gardner to get out agenda in EMEWS requesting any additional agenda items to be sent to John Hurley by 31st July.</p>	<p>Mike Gardner to add EMOA AGM agenda to EMEWS and request agenda items be sent by 31st July</p>

14	Dates and venues for future meetings: All meetings to be held at the Pace Room, St Mary's Church, Clifton Village, Nottinghamshire at 7.30 p.m. The next meeting is the EMOA AGM on Monday 21 st September 2015. The next committee meeting is scheduled for Monday 2 nd November 2015.	John Woodall to book hall for next committee meetings.
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Meeting closed at 9:15pm