

East Midlands Orienteering Association Executive Committee Meeting – 15 June 2020

Item No	Description	Action
<p>Present: Trudy Crosby (LOG), Ann-Marie Duckworth (DVO), Mike Gardner (DVO), Judith Holt (DVO), John Hurley (DVO), Ranald Macdonald (DVO), David Olivant (NOC), Pauline Olivant (NOC), Hilary Palmer (NOC), Chris Phillips (LEI), Amanda Roberts (LOG), Ant Squire (NOC), Ursula Williamson (LEI), and John Woodall (NOC).</p>		
	Amanda thanked everyone for meeting on Zoom and that it was nice to see everyone was fit and healthy.	
1.	Apologies for Absence: None	
2.	<p>Approval of Minutes of Meeting on 20th January 2020 – The minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting. Approved: John Woodall Seconded: Ranald Macdonald</p>	
3.	<p>Website version of minutes – The minutes of the January meeting needed to have the funding total for Jake O'Donnell removed and were accepted for promotion to the EMOA website. Approved: John Woodall Seconded: Ranald Macdonald</p>	Mike Gardner to inform webmaster.
4.	<p>Actions Outstanding from previous minutes (not covered elsewhere)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) LOG have yet to review their entries on the BO Qualification database. b) DVO did get a note out to members in their newsletter but have not followed up due to coronavirus. c) Not heard from Paul Young but assume that the paperwork for the bank mandate has gone through successfully. d) Lapsed member follow-up has to some degree gone by the way side due to coronavirus lockdown as can't chase people up to be members of a club when nothing is happening. e) Mike Gardner has removed Ultrasport advert from next EMEWS edition. f) Paul Young did provide funds for Jake O'Donnell. Hannah Mather did put in a request as well which had been agreed. g) The East Midland Junior Squad trip to Sweden has been postponed due to coronavirus. h) Ranald has passed details on to Mike Gardner for Planners requiring a training course. There were not enough members requiring a Controllers course. Mike Gardner has not progressed as can't get Planners course practical performed while in lockdown. i) Ranald also noted that the Development Conference would now be pushed back to Spring 2021. j) Ranald will share an article for EMEWS on how to abide by rules (after meeting note, Ranald has provided this). 	<p>DVO and LOG reps to get their clubs qualification database entries updated.</p> <p>Mike Gardner to consider when best to arrange Planners course.</p> <p>Hilary Palmer to send memo to EMOA coaches about need for ½ day safety workshop.</p> <p>Ranald Macdonald to consider including a session on completion of risk</p>

	<p>k) Ranald has been reviewing an Event Safety virtual workshop and has provided some feedback. It is hoped this will be available to use shortly.</p> <p>l) Hilary stated that following up with Club Reps regarding the need for coach training has been delayed to next year due to coronavirus.</p> <p>m) Hilary was still to send memo to EMOA coaches about need for ½ day safety workshop</p> <p>n) Ranald has delayed the action re completion of risk assessment form as no Development Conference yet.</p> <p>o) We still need an organising club for the 2021 EM Sprint Champs, but with coronavirus we may want to have the score champs next year, so need to decide if DVO want to put this on in 2021 (instead of 2020).</p> <p>p) John Woodall did book the Pace Room for this meeting but obviously not needed.</p>	<p>assessment form at EMOA Development Conference.</p> <p>Club Reps – still to see if any club willing to organise EM Sprint Champs 2021 (Understand if DVO want their 2020 Score event next year instead).</p>
5.	<p>Financial Secretary's Report Paul not able to attend this meeting. A question was asked if Roger Edwards was approached to act as Independent Financial Examiner for this year. (After the meeting Mike Gardner checked and can confirm action 9 on the AGM minutes, Roger had confirmed he was willing to act again as Independent Financial Examiner. Ann-Marie Duckworth noted that some of the Junior Squad may well apply for the JROS camps when able to do so. Ann-Marie to let Paul Young know who might be likely to attend so he can include in next year's budget.</p>	<p>Paul Young to get Roger Edwards to audit this year's accounts (as IFE).</p> <p>Ann-Marie to provide Paul Young with information on likely participants in JROS camps.</p>
6.	<p>Development Nothing to report due to coronavirus.</p>	
7.	<p>Coaching All coaching activity on hold due to coronavirus.</p>	
8.	<p>Junior Squad Ann-Marie stated that they hoped to start some Junior Squad training with groups of 6 at the end of June. Ant was contacting NOC permissions officer to see which areas could be used. Currently Forestry Commission areas remain closed. The aim is to get the juniors back to running with a map.</p> <p>It was noted that the Peter Hart webinar had stated it was a courtesy at this time to let all landowners know if there was use of any Permanent Orienteering courses for training as opposed to individual runs.</p> <p>Ant commented that JROS tours may be going ahead later in the year.</p>	

9.	<p>Correspondence There was no additional correspondence to discuss.</p>	
10.	<p>Fixtures</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. EMOA League 2020 – Until we know exactly when we can restart orienteering we will not make a decision on what to do with 2020 League (potentially still quite a few events could take place this year). 2. EMOA Urban League 2020 – May now only be limited number of events available for 2020, but will wait to decide what approach will be when we know when orienteering can restart. 3. In both cases we could abandon 2020 Leagues, keep just results so far (and only count so many) (maybe just award certificates), use a percentage of events once know what can take place, or merge them with 2021 League. 4. With no known date for resumption of orienteering it is difficult to update calendar. 5. When events do restart they may not be as they were. 6. It should be noted that cancelled events from Spring can't simply be transferred to autumn (e.g. JK, British) as permissions, access, officials may not be available. 7. There may also be problems for major events in 2021 as officials have not been able to access areas for mapping, planning and controlling. <p>8. Future Major Events</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) 13 Jun 2020 – East Midland Score Champs – DVO – Carsington - CANCELLED ii) 10 Oct 2020 – British Schools Score Champs – DVO – Shipley Park iii) 22 Nov 2020 – East Midlands Champs – LEI – Hanging Hill iv) 28 Feb 2021 – East Midland Champs – DVO – Stanton Moor v) 14 Mar 2021 – CompassSport Cup First Round – LEI - Old Dry Hills & Old Harry Park vi) 4 Jul 2021 - Yvette Baker Trophy Final 2021 – LEI - Irchester. vii) 17 Oct 2021 – CompassSport Cup Final 2021 – DVO – Chatsworth viii) 30 Jan 2022 – Midland Champs – NOC – Sherwood <p>9. Future Possible Events</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. East Midlands Sprint Champs 2021 b. JK 2024 	
11.	<p>Reports: EOC AGM Amanda and Paul Young signed up to attend on behalf of EMOA. Unfortunately Amanda could not get her internet working that night so was not able to attend. Paul not at EMOA Meeting so could not get a report.</p>	

<p>12.</p>	<p>Sharing Best Practice Each club was asked to go over what they had been doing during lockdown (in alphabetical order).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DVO – The main thing was the use of Maprun on a number of areas. There are now 9 areas with Maprun courses available which have had 84 competitor runs with the top areas being Melbourne (21 runs) and Allestree Park (19 runs). There is a strict code of conduct in place for taking part in any of the Maprun courses available on the DVO site Maprun page (It was noted that the competitors can download a map from the website). Doug Dickinson has hosted a daily map quiz on the DVO Facebook page. There is also a weekly quiz with around 18 couples each time (it was mentioned that while some folk are able to travel now, others are still in lockdown and some virtual meetings allow them to stay involved). 2. LEI – Have an Up and Out initiative. The idea is to in rotation go around some of the Permanent Orienteering courses. A competitor is provided with a map and a set of instructions and they can then put their times up on the LEI website. At present getting around 35 members per week. There is a strava club as well. Not yet making use of Maprun as still need to get up to the required specifications. LEI have had a few quizzes and some folk have been trying trail-O. There is a stand-by summer league ready in case orienteering is allowed to restart soon. 3. LOG – The club are active on strava. Also had a number of challenges for members such as a photographic scavenger hunt, and bingo. Also having a virtual relay running from Stamford to north of Lincoln and finishing at the cathedral (handover is socially distanced). There are virtual club nights on a Thursday. LOG have also had a regular quiz. It is hoped to start some tactical training with groups of up to 6 shortly. There is a summer league programme ready if orienteering can start. 4. NOC – Members can use the Permanent Orienteering course and have virtual runs and compare times. A small group have been running these and even had some runs from DVO members. <p>The point was made that everything is still an individual activity. The only type of activity that can be registered currently is coaching.</p>	
<p>13.</p>	<p>EMEWS: The next EMEWS will be out shortly once have the minutes of this meeting completed.</p>	
<p>14.</p>	<p>Any Other Business:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Concern was registered for Ernie Williams who had been rushed to hospital, and had a pacemaker fitted. He is slowly recovering and trying to walk a little further each day. 2. Pauline Olivant mentioned that the Orienteering Federation was looking for projects to fund going forward and clubs may want to apply for grants when they send out a communication shortly. 3. Judith Holt mentioned that there should be another update from British Orienteering shortly which further advice. 	

	<p>4. Chris and Ursula were about to get married but due to coronavirus have decided to delay this a year. The committee offered their congratulations for whenever it took place.</p>	
<p>15.</p>	<p>Dates and venues for future meetings: The next meeting would be the AGM. The committee discussed the major posts that may need to have completed their terms of office. Amanda is due to stand down as Chair, but Chris Phillips is willing to move up from Vice-Chair if the meeting will have him. We would then need another Vice-Chair. Paul has only been in post for one year and so it was hoped he would stand again, and Ranald is also in post for one year and is willing to continue. It was therefore agreed that the meeting would be set up as a Zoom call on September 14th with details to go out in EMEWS.</p> <p>The next committee meeting would then be in November so a date of November 16th was agreed. It was felt that we might be able to meet face-to-face so John Woodall was asked to book the hall for that date. However, if there were still restrictions in place we would again use Zoom.</p> <p>All meetings (normally) to be held at the Pace Room, St Mary's Church, Clifton Village, Nottinghamshire at 7.30 p.m.</p>	<p>Mike Gardner to set up Zoom call for AGM and get details out in EMEWS John Woodall to book Pace Room for Nov 16th Committee meeting.</p>

Meeting closed at 8:45pm