

Minutes: TVOC AGM 2011

Held at 7:30pm on Saturday November 26th 2011 at Thame Barns Centre, Church Road, Thame, OX9 3AJ.

1. Apologies for absence

Roger and Ruth Baker, Mary Spence, the Wheatcrofts

2. Present

Alun Jones (Chairman) Neville Baker (Deputy Chairman) Martin Ricketts (Treasurer) Carol Edwards (Membership Secretary) John Dalton (Secretary) Geoff and Audrey Geere Ian Buxton Sue Jones Marie-Anne Fischer Yvonne Hodson Jim Prowting John Worth Colin Duckworth	Brian and Olwyn Watkins John and Margaret Thompson Mark and Blanka Collis John and Lois Farren Jim and Lyn Blackie John Spence Roger Thetford Anne Edwards Seamus Cunnane Mikhail Gryaznevich Inara Gipsle Heather Walton
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3. Approval of 2010 AGM Minutes

Heather Walton commented that she had provided her Apologies but this was not fully reported in the Minutes.

Proposal that Minutes be accepted: Lyn Blackie
Seconded: John Dalton

4. Officers reports

- Chairman
- Treasurer
- Membership Secretary

See bottom of these notes for summaries of all Officer's Reports

5. Election of officers

Role	Nominations	Proposer	Secunder
Chair	Alun Jones	John Dalton	Lyn Blackie
Vice-Chair	Neville Baker	Alun Jones	Yvonne Hodson
Secretary	John Dalton	Martin Ricketts	John Thompson
Treasurer	Martin Ricketts	John Spence	John Farren
Membership Secretary	Carol Edwards	Mikhail Gryaznevich	Anne Edwards

6. AGM of the Oxfordshire Schools Orienteering Association

- Lyn Blackie

A small fund (currently £116.23) exists from the Oxfordshire Schools Orienteering Association. In the past, a regular payment into this Association was paid by the county.

This funding has since ceased.

The remainder of this fund is available for use by juniors resident in Oxfordshire.

It is possible that Fiona Bunn will be requesting access to some funding from this source. Other people are welcome to make a request for funding in writing to Lyn Blackie.

Once the remaining fund has been spent, the Association will be wound up.

7. Any other business

None

At 8:05 the meeting was closed.

Chairman's report: Alun Jones

2011 has been another successful year for the club.

The club has hosted a significant number of events this year:

- Level A event in March, which I will return to in a moment.
- Four level C events, including one on Easter Saturday plus a score event on the following day
- 10 Saturday series events
- 13 Summer season events
- 7 Oxford Street-O Series, had only just started twelve months ago, but is now firmly established on the calendar.

These events do not just happen. They reflect the hard work put in by a number of very dedicated club members. I am not going to name them – you know who you are – but on behalf of the membership, and indeed the wider orienteering community, please accept my thanks for your efforts.

I would though like to comment specifically on the “level A” event [The Hambleton Chiltern Challenge and Southern Championships]. This was on a different scale to anything else this year, with over 1000 competitors and 21 courses. But the event went extremely well, with lots of very positive responses received on the day and afterwards. So I would like to say thanks and well done to the key officials, and indeed to everyone who helped on the day, which is probably most of you present tonight.

If I can look forward for a moment.

- we have a good programme of major events planned for 2012, and most of them with officials appointed – though there are still a few gaps so, later this evening after you have had a few drinks, if you fancy volunteering then John Thompson would be delighted.
- We also have our Saturday series mapped out through to June, with all organisers appointed.

Looking further ahead, if it is not in your diary yet, do make sure 29th March to 1st April 2013 are blocked out. That is the JK, which SCOA will be hosting – and three of the four days will be in TVOC's areas so I fear a significant part of the workload will fall onto us. I have though, been very gratified by the very positive response to my request for officials – of the four days, two days have organisers from TVOC, and three days have planners from TVOC.

So to conclude, well done members for keeping the club in good health. I really appreciate all that you put into the club, as I am sure do all the members.

And last but not least can I thank John Spence for organising tonight's festivities with his usual efficiency.

Treasurer's report to 31st August 2011: Martin Ricketts

Key comments:

- Total turnover for the club was £24,750.12
- A surplus for the year was £795.73
- Total in the bank is £11,192.67 at year end
- Membership fee renewals are down a bit (from £916.50 in previous year to £809.50)
- Newsletter expenditure is almost exactly the same as in the previous year (at £933.42 this year)
- Note that TVOC "O-tops" are subsidised for adults, and are provided free of charge to Juniors. This explains the difference between the purchase and sale costs of this item
- A small expenditure on EMIT kit (£438.92)
- The club still has a provision of about £200 from British Orienteering that needs to be put towards coaching activities
- Summer Series and Saturday Series: these have both made surpluses (of £385 and £838 respectively). In addition, some equipment was purchased on top of the Saturday Series surplus
- The Hambleton Chiltern Challenge / Southern Champs was a much larger event this year than in previous years, and generated a surplus of over £1,300
- The Kingswood and Penn events created a small surplus
- The Wendover event broke even taking into account some expenditure from the previous years' cancellation (e.g. for toilets etc.)
- Routegadget costed £40 for two years
- Insurance replacement value for the EMIT kit is £14,000

Note that a countersigned version of the completed 2010 TVOC accounts will be available shortly.

Membership Secretary's report: Carol Edwards

Key comments:

- Thanks very much to Yvonne Hodson for her help as Carol took over
- We currently have 119 units (of which 99 are full British Orienteering members and 20 are local British Orienteering members)
- This makes a total of 191 individual members of TVOC
- In addition we have 13 group members
- The peak age group is 45-59. This mirrors overall British Orienteering membership
- During the year:
 - 14 new units joined (representing 23 individuals). Some of these have become interested via the Saturday Series and the Oxford Street events
 - 26 units left the club (representing 47 individuals)
 - Of the people leaving the club, many left due to their moving away from the area
- There is a trend of people joining for one year, but not renewing in their second year. It is not clear how this compares to previous years
- This year alone (since August) we have had 15 new members

Find the following attachments:

- Carol's handout
- Additional attachment showing breakdown in 5 year increments