

Minutes of club meeting on 20th July 2010

At 8 pm at Merry Bells, Wheatley

1. Present

Colin Duckworth (chair), Neville Baker, Lyn Blackie, Ian Buxton, John Dalton, John Farren, Mikhail Gryaznevitch, John Last, Martin Ricketts, John Spence, John Wheatcroft,

2. Apologies for absence

Yvonne Hodson, John Thompson, Alun Jones, Richard Sharp, Andrew & Liz Chalmers, Fred Ashford, Alison Smith

3. Minutes of last meeting

Accepted

4. Actions from January 2010 meeting

4.1. Neville Baker and Mikhail Gryaznevitch

Neville to find out who owns & seek permission for new area E. of Furze Brake, Culham. Mikhail Gryaznevitch. to map. In progress

5. Actions from May 2010 meeting

5.1. Colin Duckworth

Colin Duckworth to investigate suitability of Woodcote for Chiltern Challenge. Colin reported that he could not assess during summer. He will reassess in September. In progress

5.2. John Last

John Last to find out about two non TVOC events - 4th August, Playday and 8 to 14th August, Girl Guides in Abingdon. They are cancelled. Action complete

5.3. Alison Smith

Alison Smith to put Riverside Centre coaches in contact with Wallingford Schools. Alison reported by e-mail, "I have not completed my action, but I will contact Tina Blower in September to see if she would like us to organise another event for schools - perhaps a one day event for primary schools." In progress

5.4. Alun Jones

Alun Jones to buy second download printer. See 13 for more info. In progress

5.5. Development Committee

Development committee to decide how to proceed with clubmark application. Completed – see report.

5.6. Steve Stone & Ian Buxton:

Steve Stone to update web site and discuss with Ian Buxton. Ian reported that upgrade had been purchased. New site nearly ready. In progress

5.7. Neville Baker

Neville Baker has checked fixtures for “not JK” event in 2011. No problem for date. Type of event not clear (Sat Series type or district). Neville to ask Peter Riches to go ahead after consulting local clubs.

5.8. Colin Duckworth

Colin Duckworth to collate and coordinate comments and reply to BOF about Competition Review Phase 2. Will be done in September. In progress.

6. Past events

6th June, 2010, Bradenham/Downley, organiser Paul Greenough), planner Brian Palmer, controller Mark Thompson. No problems reported.

13th June, 2010, Cholesbury. The afternoon tea event at Cholesbury for the Hawridge and Cholesbury Commons Preservation Society went well and all enjoyed themselves. Thanks to all the helpers - I hope they enjoyed their tea.

Message from the organiser

"Many thanks to you and all your helpers for yesterday. We were very pleased with the whole event and have received many positive comments. I believe the orienteering attracted many families who would not normally come to afternoon tea at the village hall."

28th June, Caldecott School. John Farren reported on an event held for 70 to 80 children. John & Margaret Thompson and Roger Baker helped.

13th July, Harwell

Richard Sharp reported by e-mail

“I would like to report on a small event I ran yesterday for Harwell School, incorporating a string course for pupils up to year 2 and an evening relay exercise for five schools in the local federation (year 6). A total of 170 pupils took part, several of them more than once despite the rain. Lots of positive comments were received. Many thanks to TVOC for loan of the string course kit”

7. Future events

30th August, Didcot, Organiser Martin Ricketts, Planner Roger Thetford, Controller John Spence. Martin Ricketts reported that under 16s can not compete on public roads. He will consult Roger Thetford about courses.

24th October 2010, Kingswood. Organiser, the Forbes, planner Ian Buxton, controller Roger Baker. Ian Buxton asked for a map update. Martin Ricketts will do it in September.

19th December 2010, Wendover. Same team as for 2009 of: Ian Buxton (planner), John Thompson (controller), Martin Ricketts (organiser). Ian Buxton hopes to use same maps and courses.

13th March, 2011, Chiltern Challenge, Hambleden, John Dalton (organiser), Steve Long (planner). The FCC & UK Cup will be included. John Dalton reported that all is going well.

JK 2013 will be in SCOA area and TVOC will be involved. This affects the choice of CC venues. Neville Baker will consider. No change from previous meeting

8. Saturday Series

New list published

9. Summer Series

Some events have not catered for beginners. Colin Duckworth said that the X course should be yellow standard. Another course (maybe Z) should be hard (green) and the other (maybe Y) should be intermediate (light green/orange). Beginners who find the X too easy can attempt the Y.

10. Officers reports

10.1. Treasurer.

Martin Ricketts reported on the Chiltern Challenge 2010 Donation to Sue Ryder: We obtained use of the land for the event on the basis that we would make a donation from the proceeds of the event. The car-parking income of £250 has already been given, which can be seen as payment for the use of facilities on the day. The net income after Fabian4 costs was £4248, and the expenses £3031, leaving a surplus of £1217. Having discussed this with the organiser, Fred Ashford, I propose a donation to Sue Ryder of £500. This was agreed. (**Action MR**)

He had upgraded the club insurance but because of discounts the premium was reduced.

He expected the club to break even over the year and did not recommend any change in subscription. This was agreed

10.2. Captain

See item 5.3

11. Development Committee

John Dalton presented the development committee report. A questionnaire about it will be sent to members within a few days. The report, the response and future action will be discussed at the next meeting. This will be the first item on the agenda (**action JL**).

12. Mapping

Andrew Chalmers proposed by e-mail that, “a note might be added thanking Barrie Walmsley for obtaining land permission for Fennels Wood near Wycombe from the owner's forester. Also thanks are due to Yvonne & Barrie for mapping this wood which was used recently for the Summer Evening Event.”

13. Additional EMIT equipment.

Purchase of additional Emit equipment as described in Alun Jones's note costing up to £973 was agreed.

14. Any other business

The AGM will be on 20th November. John Spence will organize at Brill. If Brill is not available he will look for alternative venue. John Dalton will look for a speaker. (**Action JS & JD**)

Lyn Blackie will give up event officials job at end of year.

John Last will give up secretary job.

15. Next meeting(s)

September 21st, and November 16th. All at 8pm at the Merry Bells.

John Last