

Combined Report for NGOC Committee Meeting July 2013

Name: Pat MacLeod

Role: Chairman

Period Covered April 2013 – July 2013

IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed

- Discussed development strategies and approaches with Ed Nicholas, BOF Development Manager
- Met with Mark Boyce to discuss potential funding for a Gloucester City Centre map. Mark is willing to do the work to get the grant provided we can furnish him with a city centre map designed for his purposes – tourist promotion of the city. We would gain proper ISSOM maps as a by-product of this.
- Attended Forest Forum
- Gave brief interview on Radio Gloucester to promote the Maize maze day
- Requested early start block for the club on day 6 of S6 days – got a middle one.

Tasks Progressing

- Initial planning and organisation for Caddihoe/VHI 2014. Assembly area provisionally selected, subject to further planner review of potential competition areas, starts and finishes etc
- Liaison with BOK over JK2014 Relay support
- Induction of Kim Liggett as mapping assistant

Tasks Planned (but not yet started)

- Search for a successor!

NOT IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed

- Survey of part of Woodchester Park
- Help with Sportsfest 2013
- Help with various events
- Organised Summer evening 1 at Oxstalls/Longlevens, and Maize Maze day
- Help with St Peters School orienteering day at Westonbirt

Tasks Progressing

- Liaison with National Trust, and design of the permanent course at Woodchester
- Seeking approval from a further landowner to map a further part of Woodchester valley and so make the map more usable
- Investigation into the acquisition and use of OS mastermap as base data for urban maps. A4 1:5,000 Mastermap extent for an urban map is approx £350.
- Trial creation of an urban map using Mastermap data for Taunton, for which I already have the data.
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Tasks Planned (but not yet started)

- Create a proper ISSOM map of part of Gloucester, or the City centre, as a pilot to test techniques for cheap and easy creation of ISSOM maps. This is subject to the club agreeing to buy some data.
 - Review participation data and devise a new plan for Summer 2014, in order to try and attract more people to NGOC events.
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Name: Caroline Craig

Role: Secretary

Period Covered: April 2013 – July 2013

IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed:

- Forwarded emails to relevant people and responded to queries where appropriate.
- Booked room for committee meeting.
- Liaised with the Sports Fest organiser about our requirements and publicity
- Contacted Cheltenham YMCA after seeing they were organising a May half term sports camp, to see if they were interested in orienteering being included. On this occasion, they were restricted to a sports hall, but the person I was in touch with was interested in doing something off site in future.

Tasks Progressing:

Tasks Planned (but not yet started):

NOT IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed:

- Helped Tom Birthwright to organise his first event – the first summer event at Crickley Hill.
- Organised a summer evening event in South Cheltenham.

Tasks Progressing:

- Organising League 1 at Sheepscombe. Note – I'm on the lookout for an informal controller!

Tasks Planned (but not yet started):

Complete the club's Annual Return

Name: Carol Stewart

Role: Treasurer

Period Covered: April-July 2013

IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed

Financial report for 22 July

Current account (includes uncleared cheques): £6920.81

Deposit account: £3458.39

(plus about 60p interest from May)

We received £62.50 from Bournside school for the maps and GCSE sessions earlier in the year, and £25 from BOK Army as a thank you for lending kit for the 'pop-up' events locally.

Levies paid up to and including 6 June.

Several more of the new O-tops have been sold (6-days seems to have been the trigger). We have the following left, in various sizes: ladies short sleeve - 3; ladies long sleeve - 5; unisex short sleeve - 6; unisex long sleeve - 4; basic (V-neck) - 4.

Minileague prizes: suggest the following:

Blue: Winner Joe Gidley, NGOC M21, 4390 points

2nd Patrick Woodisse, NGOC M40, 4283 points

3rd Richard Cronin, BOK/NGOC M21, 4025 points

(First lady was 20th, on 2332 points)

Green: Winner Paul Hobby, NGOC M40, 4413 points

2nd and first non-NGOC Paul Hammond, HOC M50, 4363 points
6th and first lady, Rachel Dennis, BOK W45, 4039 points

Orange: Winner Patrick Tate, NGOC M14, 5166 points
2nd Ashleigh Denman, NGOC W45, 4583 points
4th and first non-NGOC Joe Hudd, BOK M10, 3448 points

Winners get £20 Ultrasport voucher, others £10 voucher.

Yellow: Only 7 people scored in 2 or more events, and the winner (Jeannette Tate) and 3rd (Kate Ballantine) are IND. So suggest prizes (certificate and small prize) go to:
2nd Evie Hastings, NGOC W7, 2717 points; 4th Rebecca Ward, NGOC W10, 1858 points; 5th Reuben Lawson, NGOC M7, 1766 points. We could give certificates to all those scoring in 2 or more events, (all juniors except Jeannette) whether or not they were IND.

Reminder that our financial year ends on 31 August, so please let me have any outstanding expenses claims by then.

Tasks Progressing: None

Tasks Planned (but not yet started): Prepare accounts for FY 2012-13

NOT IN ROLE:

Tasks completed: Registration help at Saturday events May/June; planning and running summer Thursday event at Pittville Park on (a very wet) 27 June: thanks to the 17 intrepid souls who came, and to Pat and Paul for helping collect in afterwards - and to Chris and Gill James who nobly turned up to help collect after a busy day but were excused!

Tasks Progressing: None

Tasks Planned (but not yet started): None

Name: Simon Denman

Role: Membership Secretary

Period Covered: Apr 2013 - Jul 2013

IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed

- Updated membership lists
- Excel Macros to automate membership list extraction

Tasks Progressing

Tasks Planned (but not yet started)

NOT IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed

Tasks Progressing

Tasks Planned (but not yet started)

Previous membership figures 18/4/13:

Membership	Lapsed	Current
2nd Club		1
Family	20	78
Junior		3
Life		1
Senior	20	57
Student	2	
Grand Total	42	140

Current membership figures 17/7/13:

Membership	Lapsed	Current
2nd Club		1
Family	20	78
Junior		4
Life		1
Senior	20	61
Student	2	
Grand Total	42	145

Fixtures Report (John Coleman)

Mapping Report (Paul Taunton) – Printed lots of maps

Name: Pat MacLeod

Role: Equipment Officer

Period Covered April 2013 – July 2013

IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed

- Re-equipped gripple kit with new and more usable wire rope.
- Added 10 more gripple controls to make 30 in total
- Procured waterproof adhesive labels with which to re-label all SI units, in order to remove labels taped over the light, and standardise all labelling.

Tasks in Progress

- Re-labelling all units
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Tasks Planned (but not yet started)

- Replace the short additional guys on the club tents with new ones, the originals having been transferred back to the results boards where they came from.
- Review and dispose of old kit that hasn't been used for a long time, and is unlikely to be needed again. This mainly includes miscellaneous bits and pieces, but also a large number of redundant water carriers.

Name: Greg Best

Role: Captain

Period Covered: June 2013 - July 2013

IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed

- Organised teams for British Relays. Thanks to Pat MacLeod for doing captain's duties on the day. No medals won.
- Organised 2 teams for The Harvester. Success – neither team disqualified this year!!
- Got together a couple of teams for the Adams Avery Relays in Bristol

Tasks Progressing

Tasks Planned

- To recruit a team for Compass Sport Trophy final for October

NOT IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed

- Co-ordinated our effort at SportsFest in Gloucester, held on 13th July. Lots of enthusiastic kids had a go at the nifty numbers courses, and a few adults too, including Eddie the Eagle ! Gave out quite a few flyers and spoke to a couple of interested scout/guide leaders. Due to a lack of available volunteers, we decided not to participate on the Sunday. It's a big commitment for the club to be present for a whole weekend, and uncertain whether we get enough out of it to justify this.
- Done or helped at a few orienteering sessions for kids, two for my daughter's primary school, one for a cub pack and one for Gill Stott's school. Handed out NGOC fixture leaflets to interested children at each of these.

Tasks Progressing

- Re-launch of the permanent course at Pittville Park is still progressing at a frustratingly slow pace. Next job is for me to make a glossy tri-fold map/information leaflet, which the council have finally agreed it's their responsibility to print.
- Re-mapping of Cranham/Coopers Hill. Eventually starting to make some slow but steady progress on this, and trying to allocate one day to it most weeks. A long-term project!!

Tasks Planned

Name: Alan Brown

Role: Legend Editor

Period Covered: to July 2013

IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed

- Legend for May and July

Tasks Progressing

- Legend for September!!!
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Name: Gill James Role: Welfare Officer Period Covered: to July 22nd 2013

IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed

- Have been notified on changes to CRB now called DBS

Tasks Progressing

Tasks Planned (but not yet started)

- Checking on status of CRB /DBS for coaches

NOT IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed

Coaching at 3 Informal Summer Saturday events

We had four juniors, with parents, and 2 adults who registered to attend all 3 Saturdays. Also an enquiry from Cleeve School asking for coaching at the school prior to the Cleeve event which did not result in any participants.

My grateful thanks to Gary and Greg for their help and also to Pat M for bringing all the equipment. Also the planners of the 3 events who let me have details of their courses so that we could set up our coaching nearby, but not intruding. We ran a small numbers course at Crickely Hill and Hartpury, which proved successful and I also spent some time copying various notes on types of events, colour coding, age classes and control descriptions, etc as a guide.

For Cleeve Hill, Gary and I decided that it would be useful to have an actual 'O' map, to coach route choice, aiming off etc using the multitude of gorse bushes and depressions! Neil asked that I keep the course well clear of his course and came back with more 'places to avoid' 2 days before the event and as I was in London until Friday evening, it gave me quite a problem having to completely re-plan and then print maps. Neil was not aware that the coaching timing was 12-12.30 and the only ones who came up over the quarry were experienced orienteers who had missed their route to the start! I collected in the controls just before 1pm but only 1 of those who had said they would be attending, has contacted me since to apologise for missing the coaching. I had planned to issue a certificate to say that they had attended as an encouragement – should I still do so?

Were all the hours of hard work worth it? I believe it was in one way, but we do have to work out the best strategy to offer coaching. We need to be able to separate the age groups as many older newcomers do not necessarily want a 'nifty numbers' course – though Paul Taunton did have the fastest time! It is also important that coaches do not miss their chance for a run at an event due to running the coaching.

Before this third event, I had thoughts of working towards the Level 2 coaching certificate. Now I wonder if it is worth carrying on.

Tasks Planned (but not yet started)

Helping on enquiries for 6 days at the Scottish 6 Days

Planning the Informal at Nine Wells in November

Development Report – Included in Chairman's Report