## Minutes of NGOC Committee Meeting 10th February 2014

Present: Pat McLeod, Greg Best, Roger Coe, Carol Stewart, Gary Wakerley, Paul Taunton, Gill James, Gill Stott.

- 1. Apologies: John Coleman, Caroline Craig, Simon Denman, John Fallows,
- 2. Minutes of previous meeting: Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> December meeting were accepted.
- 3. Matters arising/Actions not completed or covered elsewhere: No maters arising. Legend has won another award from CompassSport. Nick Barrable will send a logo to go on Legend. Gill's enthusiasm will ensure that the high standard achieved by Legend will carry on Action: GS
- 4. Chairman's Report: Gary had chatted to Barbara Ford of HOC about collaboration on events and she will contact John with a view to joining up next year.
- 5. Secretary's report: Caroline had contact from Jamie Roberts of Sports Fest asking for Club Coaches to go into Cheltenham Primary Schools in the afternoon on paid basis for an hour at a time. After discussion on tax implications it was decided not to proceed on the basis that doing this voluntarily becomes a burden. Do any of us have the time to put into this? The children enjoy it, but we do not get anything out of it as a club. Unless parents are on board, we will not get the children to come along. Jamie Roberts runs a coaching company but does not have the expertise in orienteering.
- 6. Treasurer's report: Since the last meeting we have bought the new A3 printer. We also have some mulled wine left over from New Year's Day and is for sale @ £3. Has paid for bus to New Forest for CSC but some of that will be repaid.
- 7. Membership Secretary's report: Membership numbers stand at 147, down from 166 with some still to renew.
- 8. Events report: Fixtures sub-committee has filled up most of next season, but still some gaps. Pat circulated John's fixture list and report to the meeting. Gill S preparing map for an urban event in Chepstow with BOK. Can we tap into Lyndon Hartman's experience to gain some ourselves. Hartpury could be used as an urban training event which would be safe for children. Write an article on Google to encourage newcomers and let them know that they can have a mentor. Action: GW

We still need to encourage people from the Cheltenham side. Pat will target running clubs to try to encourage those we see jogging round the streets to join in our events, and maybe offer an 8 or 10k run.

**9. Mapping report:** New printer set up and is working intermittently as there appears to be communication problem with Paul's router rather than the printer. Done 500 prints, it probably needs to settle down. Pat has old machine, which also needs time to settle. Pat has printed registration slips for Galoppen and PT will print around 400 maps for same.

Ian Kennett would like a map of Speech House area for Gwent Outdoor Centres for an event for Corporate Activities. We can give him Bob's OCAD map of the Arboretum.

Kim Liggett has the old club laptop and is familiarizing herself with it. There is an OCAD 11 course on 15<sup>th</sup> March. PM will talk to KL about it.

- **10.** Equipment Officer's report: Discussions on printer above.
- 11. Captain's report: 51 entered for CSC. Re-mapping Cranham on dry days and should have map finished ready for Galoppen 18<sup>th</sup> January 2014. No Lidar data is available for Cleeve Hill and top of hill is missed at Leckhampton.
- 12. Legend Editor's report: Gill has had feedback on future content and will get notes for newcomers included. Gary will let her have a copy of coaching notes. Also an explanation of what is involved when volunteering. Guidelines are on BOF website. Next print run is early March.
- 13. Welfare report: Nothing to add on welfare. GW asked for Forest Forum report to go into Legend Action GJ

## 14. Development Officer's Report:

(a) Still having problems with getting Forestry Commission to agree to parking on the slag heaps for the Caddihoe Chase

(b) Eddie McLarnon has created a new website for the Caddihoe

Agreed to entre team into Cotswold relay. GW asked GS to take names and organise planning for cars involved.

Not heard back from Cheltenham Challenge – running club recce on route.

Fixtures Flyers to be sent to Sports Clubs, Park Run etc to encourage people to try orienteering.

Action PM

John Coleman will plan the Maize Maze though there are a lot of short dead ends this year.

## 15. SWOA Committee Feedback: None

16. AOB: Notices to be put up to stop competitors taking dogs on courses where appropriate. Also that when they are on courses they should be on leads where there are farm animals in fields or on commons. We need to check wording on FC agreements and BOF rules.

**Map Scales:** This issue has been raised with the Lakeland Orienteering Club, with the statement that they wanted to use 1:7500 maps for younger and older competitors at JK 2015. Having been told to adhere to BOF rules, they intend to raise the issue at the AGM in 2014. E&CC Committee are trying to reach a compromise, partly be having a survey of all competitors at both JKs in order to get a widespread opinion before changing rules.

**17.** Next Meeting: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2014 at 7:30pm at Oxstalls Campus.

The meeting closed at 9:35pm.