

## Reports November 2021

**Name:** Alan Pucill  
**Role:** Treasurer  
**Report:** November 2021

- Current balances (at 19<sup>th</sup> November)
  - Current Account £ 8,466.32 (Up by ~£3,600 since last report)<sup>†</sup>
  - Deposit Account £11,518.86
- Summary of larger items since last meeting (rounded figures):
  - Income
    - Income from events (August and September)
      - League £1,111
      - Mapruns £404
      - Relay £206
      - BNOC £647
      - WNL £65
    - Refund from Jockey Club £2,160
    - Ex Mountain Bike Event – Hire of SI Equipment £200
    - BNOC Food/Camping £126\*
    - BNOC Cannop Ponds (BOK) £258\*
  - Expenditure
    - BOF/SWOA levies £1,022
    - Forestry England (Blakeney, Blakeney WNL, Bixslade) £330
    - First Aid Course (BOK) £147
    - BOF Affiliation Fee £70
- Income from Fabian4 lags a month behind.
  - Expected income at end of November (from entries made in October)
    - League £592
    - Mapruns £188
    - BNOC
      - Cleeve Hill £1,749
      - Cannop Ponds (BOK) £825\*
      - Food/Camping £576\*
  - A further £5,772 (inc. Food, Camping and BOK) due at end of December from BNOC for November entries.

\* These will be passed on to the golf club and BOK.

<sup>†</sup> There was a typo on the previous report. Current Account should have read £4,880.26 not £5,880.26.

I have now gathered all required signatures and posted the new bank mandate. When it has been processed, I shall be able to change the online banking.

The Annual Report is with Roger Evans of the Royal Forest of Dean Orchestra for auditing. (Thanks to Ros Taunton for the contact). We arranged that I would audit his accounts in exchange, which I have done. I feel we have got a bargain as his accounts were extremely straightforward compared to ours!

**Name:** Greg Best  
**Role:** Fixtures  
**Report:** November 2021

### Fixtures/Permissions

- As usual, there has been a never-ending stream of unseen and unappreciated backroom work!
- Organisers now recruited for most 2022 events
- Forest of Dean events are now coming thick and fast, so lots of liaising with FE. Parking on tracks is no longer an issue for them!! They seem to have a new procedure whereby their ecologist spends time checking whether our courses go into or close to SSSIs. This has meant that 4 events in a row have had restrictions placed on us, meaning I have had to have a lot of discussions with Natural England and the planners have had to make late changes to their courses. In future, I will be more careful to make clear to planners the location of any SSSIs.
- I asked the RSPB if we may be allowed to extend our Bixslade map into the adjacent bird reserve. The reply: a resounding NO!
- For some time, I have wondered about extending the Cleeve Hill map to include the adjacent Postlip Warren. I recently went and spoke to a nearby farm in the hope that it may be them who farm it. It was and they told me they may allow us to use it at certain times of the year, so I will investigate further. It would be a relatively quick and simple job now that full Lidar coverage is finally available. The area has larger and smoother features and terrain than the common, but I think it would be nice to use on occasion. It should also give the possibility of parking and starting on a different side of the hill. Watch this space....!

### Mapping Work

- Have been working on updating the Cleeve Hill map for BNOC. The final check of the gorse cutting will be made a couple of days before the event.
- About to start work on finishing off the few remaining parts of the Newent Woods/May Hill map ready for Ian's event there on May Day.
- Made some mods to the Edge map to capture recent Ash-dieback felling. This is in readiness for January's double-bill of events there.
- Work is progressing on a brand-new, Lidar-based map of Standish. There will be several extensions to the existing area. I have also negotiated a new parking field, which will also be used for the Edge event.
- Updating the Leckhampton Hill map now that full Lidar coverage is available. Previously about one third of the map was mostly a work of fiction!! This new Lidar data is also a lot more accurate and easier to use than the old. It is possible that the updated map will first see the light of day at July's summer relay, which may be held on the upper parts of this area. If so, we would park again at the farm at the top of the hill, to which Steve Williams' Cotswold Lion brewery has conveniently re-located to!!! All to be confirmed.

### **Junior Inter-Regional Championships September 2024 – proposal to partner with BOK**

- Does NGOC agree to partner with BOK for the JIRCs?
- Both clubs prefer for there to be adult orienteering opportunities as well as the junior championships.
- BOK thinking Sunday relays at Westonbirt.
- Caddihoe Chase?
- NGOC Chair proposal: NGOC do Saturday Classic event (standard course for adults and JIRC), BOK do JIRC relay at Westonbirt and a Middle Distance open ranking linear event for adults. Not the Caddihoe.
- NGOC Saturday venue? Lydney Park not a good option.