

Reports August 2023

Name: Paul Taunton
Role: Chair
Report: August 2023

- Planning of VHI relay courses for 1st October almost complete. (*Part of NGOC Caddihoe weekend*). Recent site meeting with Pat, Greg & Controller to finalise arena layout and resolve some control site concerns. It's expected that the relay (and other) courses will be finalised before the end of August.
- The format of the Caddihoe chasing start on Day 2 has been agreed by the event officials. (*The proposed web-based consultation was not carried out, as previous discussions seemed to increase the number of options, rather than lead to consensus!*) We will adopt the traditional Chase format.
- Acting as assistant controller to Joe Parkinson for South Wales Orienteering Club (SWOC) Senior Home International (SHI) individual races, though commitment to Veteran Home International (VHI) has left little time for adequate attention to this.
- Award of T-shirts agreed at last meeting for volunteer recognition. Sent out e-mails to JK helpers (copy to Carol). See tracking table below.

Name	Reply	Size	Comment	Issued ?
Rodney Archard	Yes		Not required	
Andy Creber	Yes	M	-	Yes
John Fallows	No?			
Pat Macleod	No?			
Hilary Nicholls	Yes	XL	Carol has waiting	
Joe Parkinson	No?			
Andy Pedder	Yes	XL	Pickup Cleeve Hill event	Yes
Ian Phillips	Yes		Bought, no refund required	
Shirley Robinson	Yes	?	Carol has waiting	
Steve Robinson	Yes	?	Carol has waiting	
Carol Stewart	Yes		Not required	

- Caroline has progressed the proposal from Zak of Gloucester Explorer Scouts offering to help with the refurbishment of the permanent course in Gloucester Park. (*See her report, and list of decisions required included in Agenda*).
- Unsurprisingly, no replies to my request in the last Chair's Chat for a volunteer to take over the Chair.
- Approaches made to those NGOC orienteers who compete in the most events, but presently do not have committee roles, about joining committee. Now meetings are mainly held by Zoom the Jones's (living in Oxford) would be able to join the committee. Ian prepared to act as Chair (*though would give way if a very keen candidate was identified*) and Maggie will take an interest in Coaching.
- Missed SWOA committee meeting but see attached draft minutes. I have highlighted points particularly relevant to NGOC.
- Note: June NGOC committee meeting action for Paul to send SWOA a bulleted list of the NGOC approach to volunteer identification, training and reward **not** completed.
- Various contributions to Legend (including Urban event Soapbox) completed and ongoing.
- Submitted Rule Change request to BOF (personally, not on behalf of NGOC), regarding change of recommended map scale for Urban events. Acknowledged, but no decision yet. See copy of form attached.

- No further approach yet made to Gloucester City Council for permissions for another Gloucester urban event (not now in this year's programme).
- I have still failed to do anything about funding application for Development.
- Tested arrangements for a possible hybrid (face-to-face and Zoom) AGM using my microphone & speaker system & Pat's large display. *We would like to encourage people to attend AGM in person, so the intention is NOT to publicize the Zoom facility except to Committee, as at least two members will be unable to attend a face-to-face AGM*

Name: Suzanne Harding
Role: Captain
Report: August 2023

Yvette Baker Shield Final

- Thanks to Sebastian and Kathryn Lyne, and Zebedee and Alexander Harlock-Askew it was great to have a NGOC team actually competing in the final this year. Unfortunately another Junior who was due to run was unwell so we didn't have a full team to score. The team still finished 4th though. With a full team they would have been 2nd so hope for next year.

British Sprint Relays

- Only one family showed an interest in taking part in these so unfortunately I have not been able to enter any NGOC teams.
- I will be standing down as Captain at the AGM.

Name: Alan Pucill
Role: Treasurer
Report: August 2023

- Current balances (at 14/08/2023)
 - Current Account £6,650.57 (Prev. report £7,555.04)
 - Deposit Account £11,601.52 (Prev. report £11,601.52)
- Summary of larger items since last report on 07/06/2023 (rounded figures):
 - **Income**
 - Income from Fabian4 for May and June
 - League £988
 - Maprun £384
 - Total £1,372
 - EOD income £127
 - Sale of O-tops and t-shirts £417
 - Café/shop £43
 - Interest £0
 - Total £1,959**
 - **Expenditure**
 - BOF/SWOA levies £927
 - Landowners (Cleeve Hill parking + Common Trust) £300
 - Equipment (Tent x2, kites) £909
 - Café Supplies £88
 - Printerbase £79
 - Planners/Organisers/Controllers expenses £227

▪ Sundries (Hire of hall, Bottled Water, Bank Charges)	£67
▪ Yvette Baker Final Entries	£25
▪ Mapping costs	£166
▪ Food Trader Licence Application (FE for Caddihoe)	£75

Total	£2,863
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- Income from Fabian4 lags a month behind.
 - Expected income at end of August (from entries made in July)

▪ League (Cleeve Hill)	£1212
▪ Mapruns (Nailsworth)	£67
▪ Summer Relay	£187

Notes:

- Still awaiting invoice from Forestry England (FE) for Chestnuts Hill.
- There has been a significant outlay on equipment since the last report, but we expect to recover this from income from the Caddihoe weekend.
- Roger Evans who has audited our accounts for the last two years is not able to audit them this year or in future. Does anyone know of someone who might be able to help out?

Name: Greg Best
Role: Fixtures/Permissions Officer
Report: August 2023

IN ROLE:

Tasks Completed

- Held the annual Fixture sub-committee meeting in July in order to thrash out the bones of the fixture list for 2024.

Tasks Progressing

- Finding event officials for next year's fixtures
- Checking on certain permissions before settling on final fixture list for 2024, especially Sheepscombe, Minchinhampton and Cheltenham College. Replacements may be necessary.
- As always, lots of event permissions and fixtures issues on-going.

Tasks Planned

- Investigate possible new parking for Cranham at sawmills
- Paul and I to arrange a meeting with Glos council to discuss use of Gloucester for urban next August
- Talk to Flyup417 regarding possible use of their mountain bike park in combination with Barrow Wake. My initial email got no reply.

NOT IN ROLE:

Mapping Work Completed.

- Carried out map updates requested by planners for league events. These include Cirencester, Cleeve Hill and Selsley.

Mapping Work Progressing

- NTR

Mapping Work Planned

- Mallards Pike Need to finish off the revision of the area that we will use for the Junior Inter Regional Championships (JIRCS) in 2024 (this is not being used for this year's major event)

Other Tasks Completed

- Organised Maprun at Nailsworth Valleyside

Other Tasks Progressing

- Caddihoe Chase/VHI Weekend. As planner and map updater for both days, this continues to be my main focus.

Name: Pat MacLeod
Role: Equipment Officer
Report: August 2023

IN EQUIPMENT ROLE:

Tasks Completed

- Purchased a second new tent, this time a larger pop-up style tent, as the air tent was found to be too small to accommodate both download and registration
- Various small purchases for general use but initially for the Caddihoe weekend – laminating pouches, small labels, envelopes etc
- Purchased 30 new kites, and then given 10 more by Cheryl Stennett, Glos Schools Sports Coordinator

Tasks in Progress

- Purchasing a new smaller club tent for use at events where only a few NGOC runners are present, such as Relays etc.

Tasks Planned

- None

NOT IN ROLE

Tasks Completed

- Helped at lots of events,
- Planned a short course for a schools orienteering day at Viney Hill Adventure Centre
- Drafted a map of Leckhampton Primary School for the PE teacher

Tasks in Progress

- Ongoing MapRun UK coordination and support, typically 2-3 requests a week from Peter Effenev to respond to new inquiries from UK people
- Ongoing organisation of Caddihoe/VHI weekend
- Ongoing submission of entry details to Fabian for our events, and website maintenance.
- No progress that I am aware of on Croeso 2024
- Still in vague discussion with James Askew on Junior development. Face to face opportunities are rare at the moment, but the only way really to progress this

Tasks Planned

- Update of Knockalls map following the forthcoming event, planning for which by Alan P has indicated that it needs a complete review and update.
- Update of the website beginner info to include excellent material collected by Tom Mills at the O-Ringen – not yet started
- New map of the Dowards, subject to permissions from Woodland Trust and FE, which have now been given

The Caddihoe Weekend

Name: Ian Phillips
Role: Mapping Officer
Report: August 2023

Mapping costs since last Committee meeting:

Trellech Common Maprun – 3 extra A4 maps = £0.99p
Brockworth Maprun – 38 x A4 maps = £12.54p
100 blank pretext sheets to Pat = £30.54p
3 x A3 maps for NWO – Controlling Devices Urban = £0.45p (old paper used).
Yorkley MapRun maps A4 x 35 = £11.55p
Cirencester Urban 154 x A3 & 66 x A4 maps plus 46 pages of Descriptions = £87.20p
Wasted sheets during repair work of printer = £12.21p
Summer relay 245 x A4 maps = £80.85p
Nailsworth Maprun 32 x A4 maps = £10.56p
Cleeve Hill League event 235 x A4 and 42 x A3 maps and 49 sheets of descriptions = £95.98p
4 sample Caddihoe certificates A4 = £1.32p

Spent on mapping since last committee meeting = £344.19p

Last committee meeting I reported that we had had Major Printer issues. Had 2 off replacement imaging units, 1 off feed unit, 1 off fuser and awaiting replacement IBT (Transport belt) unit. 2 off engineer call outs. All of this has been covered by our contract. Apart from the delay in getting the IBT, which is a 'supply to the UK issue', cannot fault the Xerox service so far.

Since then, we have had imaging unit replaced 01/06/23 and IBT Unit replaced twice by Xerox Engineer 20/06/23 and 14/07/23. Printer now seems to be functioning well. But we have had notice that from the 31st December 2023, the Phaser 7100 will no longer be supported. It will become an obsolete model. There will be no contractual spares or toner. I am awaiting quotes for a replacement.

We have 2 options available to us. Keep the printer and buy toner and spares as needed (if available) or replace the printer and take out a new contract.

Current prices:

Paper is: A3 - 27p, A4 - 18p

Ink is: Colour 14.088p, Black 1.524p

Usually CD's are printed on reused maps so no cost for paper.

Name: Ginny Hudson
Role: Membership Secretary
Report: August 2023

New members Craig Sipek and Christine Wilson

NGOC MEMBERSHIP FIGURES as at 19/08/23. Up two since June 2023

Category	Current	Lapsed since 2022
Senior	134	9
Junior	28	3
Retired		3
Total	162	15