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Forth Valley Orienteers

Orienteering at the Heart of Scotland

Committee Meeting

Date	Thursday 26 August 2021 (19:30-21:00)
Location	Zoom
Present	Jon Cross, Paul Hammond, Andy Llewellyn, Neil Polwart, Steve Scott, Chris Smithard
Absent	N/A
Apologies	Roger Goddard

1. Approval of previous minutes

- Minutes of previous committee meeting on 15 July 2021 were accepted.

2. Event forward planning

Proposed future events

- Next CAT at Bantaskine on 12 September
- CS - no point scheduling other local events until big events are nailed down

SOL and Stirling City Race

- JC - no permission for Edinchip on 9 or 10 October so we need to consider alternatives:
 - 16/17 October in case CSC Final is cancelled
 - Weekend in early November
 - Alternative location e.g. Birnham Wood (Callendar Crags not available until next Spring)
- JC proposed hosting the British relay champs as an alternative to the SOL
 - Simpler format – all competitors run Open courses, classes awarded from results
 - SS asked why not all courses – consensus was that it is too much work for too few competitors and it would be worth trying a simpler format
 - AL requested additional courses e.g. Orange or 12- relay to make inclusive to juniors, all in agreement.
- **ACTION JC** – inform Kathy about 9/10 Oct, ask Josie to check permissions for alternative weekends.
- **ACTION JC** – come up with proposal for email approval by committee.

Kincraig Training Weekend

- Invites are out, RG has training in hand. AL offered additional training at Inshriach on Friday evening.

CSC Final 2021

- Looking likely to be cancelled, decision to be made by 27 August.

CSC Final 2022

- JC has closed agreement with KFO:
 - KFO to pay ¾ of mapping cost (based on Devilla vs. Tulliallan area) – KFO have grant to cover this
 - FVO to pay £1.50 to KFO for everyone on start list for course that use Devilla area

- CS asked if this arrangement will free up more grant money to be spent on mapping. AL explained that the overall mapping spend will be similar but the up-front risk is much reduced, however it would be more money available in the short term that could be used on mapping.
- **ACTION JC** – ask Steve Nicholson if he will be Planner

Night Series 2021-22

- 10 areas identified, some mapping updates required e.g. Braco extension of woodland area.
- **ACTION JC** – pass list of areas to Lewis and ask him to sequence them with easy areas first then give list of venues/dates to Josie for permissions, and find organisers (together with Club Champs).

Club Champs and Awards Evening

- **ACTION JC** – ask Josie to get permission for Duncraggan
- No organiser yet but will be bundled together with request for Night Series organisers
- Victoria Halls and ceilidh band booked, arrangements will need to wait until we see Covid restrictions nearer the time.

3. Finance Update

- AL gave a summary of current financial position. Profit for year-to-date ~£3700 but Dev Officer will start to draw down in September so projected year-end profit ~£200.
- Grant monies received need attention – Gartmorn requires permission update, Falck require school training. No more grant applications in pipeline or required soon.
- **ACTION JC** – discuss school training with Kieran once he starts.

4. Club Kit Order

- PH informed meeting that order is in manufacture at Trimtex, delivery expected in ww 41 (early Oct).

5. Mapping Update

- **ACTION PH** – chase Jason re. Falkirk Wheel POC, copy GG to tie in with map update.
- Colzium – CS suggests 1-day update sufficient for local event, needs event planned to warrant doing
- Braco map to be extended to cover woodland to east of Roman fort (provided we can find who owns it).
- Any mapping updates required for Night Series to be paid for out of “small pot”
- GG to fill in ‘gap’ in Laigh Hills map
- Updating Touch was discussed and would be worth doing if we can hold a big event on it.
- **ACTION PH** – add agenda item to discuss Big Events 2022-24 at next meeting.
- SS commented that we need to report back to members on mapping improvements.
- **ACTION JC** – include in next newsletter

6. Development Officer

- Kieran starts on 6 September. First few days of familiarisation, look at priorities and strategic plan – JC/AL to provide guidance.
- Kieran will attend remainder of Sprint Series to meet club members.

7. Training week in October

- **ACTION JC** – contact Cornelia Muller and find out what she is prepared to offer, then contact members for suitable dates/times.

8. Outstanding actions from previous meeting

- JC to check on approach to permissions for urban/sprint events
- JC to propose 12 March 22 as CSC Qualifier
- JC to contact Terry regarding POC at Colzium
- JC to review event log from WEE series for learnings

9. Any Other Business

- SOA have issued new C19 RA
- **ACTION PH** – review with Trevor to see if we need to update procedures

10. Date of Next Meeting

- Thursday 7 October, 7.30pm.