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Forth Valley Orienteers

Orienteering at the Heart of Scotland

Committee Meeting

Date	Thursday 07 October 2021 (19:30-21:00)
Location	Zoom
Present	Jon Cross, Paul Hammond, Andy Llewellyn, Steve Scott, Roger Goddard, Chris Smithard (partial)
Absent	N/A
Apologies	Neil Polwart

1. Approval of previous minutes

- Minutes of previous committee meeting on 26 August were accepted after minor corrections.

2. Event forward planning

- 30-Oct: Polmaise, Kieran organising.
- 13-Nov: Loch Ard relays for British/Scottish Open titles. Still seeking permission.
- 14-Nov: Stirling City Race.
 - **ACTION JC** – identify area
- 20-Nov: Club Champs – AL volunteered to organise
- CS planning to use Colzium so map will need to be updated.
 - **ACTION PH** – inform GG
- 12/13-Mar: Callander weekend inc. CSC Qualifier
 - Mapping is delayed, CS may need to sub-contract the work but maps will still be completed by end of year.
- Harvester – 26-June will not be actual date (clash with WOC)
 - **ACTION JC** – discuss alternative date with Trevor.
- CSC Final – Dave Peel started map on 18-Oct, will complete in November.

3. Major Events and New Map Requirements

- JC noted that we have a short-term outlook when planning events, only using area with no need to emargo.
- **ACTION JC** – work with GG and CS to come up with a plan to end of 2024 using areas such as Trossachs, Touch and Edinchip.
- AL noted we should be holding 2 large events per year.
- Already scheduled are Harvester, CSC qualifier and final in 2022, Euromeeting in 2023.
- SS commented that 2024 will be the club's 50th anniversary so we should hold a large event to celebrate this.

4. Club Champs and Awards Evening

- AL offered to organise the club champs.
- There was a discussion of possible Covid-safe ways to run the awards evening, including lateral flow tests for those attending.

- **ACTION JC** – ask Social Committee to survey members on format of awards evening, including whether they want a ceilidh or not.

5. AGM Preparation

- Decision to hold AGM in person, with some form of training/running alongside.
- Possible venues – Callandar, Cambusbarron or Falkirk Wheel area
- **ACTION PH** – find suitable date and book venue.
- **RG said he would work on Strategic Plan comms for AGM**

6. Development Officer

- Update from JC:
 - Kieran (KW) is currently mapping out strategic plan to see what is best use of his time. Not trying to do a bit of everything but focussing on getting some things achieved in the near term.
 - KW will report to JC on a monthly basis, and JC will update committee.
 - KW has organised local events at Abbey Craig, Stirling Uni and will organise at Polmaise on 30 Oct.
 - Met with Fran Loots for guidance.
 - Needs PVG check, held up at SOA at present.
 - We all need to make KW feel welcome, otherwise it could be a lonely role.

7. Finance Update

- Update from AL:
 - Projected year-end income of £500, which is an excellent result given the loss of so many events due to Covid.
 - Net reserves stand at approximately £13k
 - Event income for this year is approx. £2.50/person
 - Review of grant conditions – Falck requires giving schoolchildren of Cambusbarron some orienteering experience.
 - **ACTION JC** – request KW to organise suitable event

8. Membership Update

- JC noted that FVOMail does not include all club members (and includes some non-members) so important mailing regarding AGM etc. may not reach required audience. Also NP is not automatically notified of membership changes with BOF, so requires a periodic manual check.
- **ACTION NP** – contact all club members not on FVOMail list about joining mailing list.
- **ACTION NP** – provide JC with up-to-date number for BOF and SOA members.

9. Any Other Business

- Carried over from previous minutes:
 - **ACTION PH** – chase Jason re Falkirk Wheel POC
 - **ACTION JC** – include mapping update in next newsletter.
- Map overprinting survey
 - **ACTION JC** – find out status and next steps
- SS suggested we present Cornelia Muller with a club shirt, all in agreement.

10. Date of Next Meeting

- Thursday 25 November, 7.30pm