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Forth Valley Orienteers

Orienteering at the Heart of Scotland

Committee Meeting

Date	Thursday 21 April 2022
Location	Zoom
Present	Andy Llewellyn, Steve Scott, Neil Polwart, Chris Smithard, Paul Hammond, Jon Cross, John Heaton, Roger Goddard
Absent	N/A
Apologies	N/A

1. Approval of previous minutes

- Minutes of previous committee meeting on 2 March 2022 were accepted.

2. Finance Update – Andy

Income

- March weekend provisionally brought in c£4.7k surplus – big thanks to organisers and planners.

Expenditure

- Second laptop has been purchased as part of kit expenditure (approx. £500)
- Relays likely to be more expensive than predicted. JC asked what subsidy level was, AL not entirely sure – same as previous years, with more of a subsidy for juniors.
 - **ACTION JC** – send AL list of relay team sign-ups and runners
- JC asked for update on ad-hoc mapping costs. AL - OK to approve any small mapping updates, provided maps are being used.

Equipment

- Will proposed a more ambitious equipment spend of £3K to get 2x sets of SI kit, but feeling is not really required - but would still be useful.
- JH asked about pop-up tent - no proposal yet.
 - **ACTION CS** to dig out tent proposal and send to Ben
- PH asked about SIAC, is there really a need? JC - 10-20 hired at SCR weekend, could we join forces with MA? SS asked about charging - we pay £2.50 to S6D per hired dibber. AL suggested charging £1 per hire.
- JC proposed getting full picture of equipment requirements before deciding on SI kit purchase.

Grants

- Callander Hydro - £900 still to spend but winding down nicely

3. Mapping Update – Graham

- Callander Crags - event went well, but 2 days work required (middle section not usable)
 - JC - is it poor mapping? GG - no, no-one covered big open section at all
- Gartmorn Dam - dragging on forever
 - JC has gone back to Josie (recently) to see what next step is

- Devilla - Mark said he's happy with map after storms, minor updates only in lead up to event (Dave Peel OK to do remotely)
 - JC - ESOC will pay for Dave Peel to make MTBO map of same area.
 - JC - KFO are looking to have SoSOL in Nov'22, will require separate KFO-only map.
 - **ACTION JC** - follow-up with KFO
- Beecraigs East / Barrwood / Abbey Craig - all need 0.5 day each, urgently. Martin Bagness in Scotland next week, could do the work + Callander Crags, but more interested in making new map (already quoted for Touch!).
 - JC proposes asking MB to do Beecraigs East + West, Abbey Craig, Callander Crags
 - AL - pre-approved to £500, request more if needed.
- GG - what about Polmaise?
 - JC - wait until works are completed.
- House of Binns - awaiting permissions
- Ravenscraig + L'gow Lagoon being investigated
- Big Maps - any events planned yet?
 - JC - agree with prioritising Touch, quote from MB is reasonable and Lidar done
 - **ACTION JC** - follow up with Kieran/Josie on permission situation for Touch
- Kippendavie Estate – estate is actively developing woodland, could potentially fund map or permanent course.
 - **ACTION GG** - mobilise troops to follow up with Estate
- Specs / Printing - going well, no complaints
 - JC - what about sprint maps? GG will provide maps with instructions
 - JC - new sprint spec, how much effort to update? GG - only underpasses and uncrossable greens, not many maps affected by this.
 - **ACTION GG** - to look at how much update is required.
- Major Events needing maps
 - Scottish Champs 2023 - Edinchip / (Birnam)
 - JC - idea of using Scout Station along disused railway line from map, usable for parking/accomm e.g. JEC'25
- CSR'22 = Bridge of Allan - updates for CSR (NE + NW + S).
 - **ACTION GG** - propose required updated for CSR (aiming for 10km optimum route)
- Permanent Courses
 - **ACTION AL/PH** to follow up with Jason on Callander Crags proposal

4. Event Forward Planning

Harvester

- JC has told BOF we have problem, dates changed to end of Lakes5. Areas being explored, proposal required in next 2 weeks.
- Option being considered is to use Lakes Day 5 area (Helsington Burrows)

CSC Final and Stirling City Race

- **ACTION JC** to find organiser + planner for SCR
- CSC Final - next step is to find controller (BOF to appoint one, NP not heard yet)

Euromeeeting'23

- GG no longer Tech Director for WOC, so where is responsibility? WOC meeting tomorrow, JC will submit list of questions to try and establish FVO's role.

- PH asked what Euromeeting is. JC - pending WOC organisers arrange series of WREs. CS - no longer a 'B' event as one year before WOC so 'A' team tend to attend. NP asked if there are public races, JC - yes but doesn't clash with CSC Final

Forthcoming events

- June 5 - do we want another event location as Vicky/Heather not available? JC - keep Callander for now but could move to suit organiser.
- **ACTION CS** - to email club with event list, looking for volunteer organisers
- Kathy has list of areas for Sprint series
- RG - needs planner for Junior Inter-Areas on 3/4 Sept
- SoSOL in Dec - location to be deferred to next meeting, Gartmorn Dam preferred choice
- Scottish Middle - should we bid for this on Barrwood in Spring'23?
 - **ACTION JC** - follow up with SOA on organisers.
- Park discussion on next year's 50th birthday event until next committee meeting

5. Recent Event Review

- Callander Craggs - JH
 - Missing person, do we need a more general policy?
 - **ACTION JC** - ask Kieran to identify all docs that need to be available to all volunteers, starting from BOF
- Falkirk Wheel - NP
 - What about kit transfer for weekend events?
 - Need overview of CSC weekend kit requirements

6. Development Officer

- JC - Template agreed with Kieran, will circulate to committee monthly
- **ACTION PH** – invite Kieran to attend next meeting

7. New Members Update

- Currently at 209(+0) members
- **ACTION NP** - send list of SOA members to JC

8. Outstanding Actions

- **ACTION JC** – contact Matty Smith regarding club generator
- **ACTION PH** – chase Jase regarding POCs
- JC & Marie-Claire have meeting scheduled with Anna and Jagor
- **ACTION PH** - follow-up with David on Google situation. RG has followed up with Fiona Keir, but not likely to provide solution
- AL - Kincaig Christian Centre booked for 8-9 October weekend

9. Any Other Business

- SS - INT will share Kinneil Map with us
- SS - had meeting with Jen, Keiran and Fran regarding Gold Accreditation, will apply later in year (links with ext. orgs. main missing point)

- SS - JK will be held in Scotland in 2026
- JC - Kelpies event, Falkirk Council looking for £45 as fee but should be free under Access Code. Can we request to follow FLS agreement i.e. larger events (150+) only pay?
 - **ACTION JC** - to negotiate with Council so that event can go ahead but without setting precedent of paying for access for small events.

10. Date of Next Meeting

- Thursday 19 May 2022, 7.30pm by Zoom.