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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Held on Friday 26th January 2007 at the Westerton Arms, Bridge of Allan

Present: Amy Barrett, Jack Barrett, Steve Barrett, Maureen Brown, Hugh Buchanan, Brian Bullen, Trevor Hoey, Gareth Bryan-Jones, Jan Bryan-Jones, Brad Connor, Jon Cross, Hazel Dean, Kyle Heron, Neil Kitching, Abi Longhurst, Gary Longhurst, Louise Longhurst, Victoria Longhurst, Jonathan Molloy, David Nicol, Jamie Nicol, Fraser Purves, Peggy Purves, Elizabeth Sinclair, Sandy Sinclair

Apologies: Nick Barrable, John Brown, Lisa Brown, Dave Coustick, Susan Hensman, Will Hensman, Janine Inman, Jason Inman, Rona Molloy, Beccy Osborn, Jonathan Oxley (who did it rhyme) and Marcus Pinker

1. Minutes of last AGM

The minutes were approved.

2. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

3. Presidents Report

Gary gave a brief overview of the year. Second in the Jamie Stevenson Trophy, Compass Sport Trophy and the 11 person relay. Abi & Craig on tour and others juniors in Scotjos and SEDS. Many had run in the home internationals and Marcus won the M21E at the Irish Champs.

We had continued to run a number of events over the year. The WEE league, the FCC short race final, the JHI, the Club Champs, and Martin had started the new night event series.

Social on and after Wednesday evening events and training in the winter, the weekend at Ballater, the recent dinner dance at the Management Centre (though we were looking for anew venue for next year).

Mapping – we had organised a couple of Saturday runs to look for new area, some updating of WEE areas. Two new permanent courses – Plean opened last March, and Gartmorn dam had just been opened.

We had bought a new club tent, a second order of the new O-suits, and were looking at a new feather banner and SI it.

Lots of good publicity, articles in the press, an active web site. (new toys such as RouteGadget), and the newsletter now in colour.

It was goodbye to Hilda – and au-revoir to Marcus (who was maintaining his membership from down south). It was hello to new members – Lewis and Brad. And thanks to input from a number of people: Elizabeth (moving on to be 6 day treasurer), David, Louise, Martin, Hazel, Neil and Steve]

Looking forward to next year.

Callendar Park have been refreshed.

4. Treasurers Report

Elizabeth presented a written report of the clubs finances – our balance had grown by about a net £2000 in the last year. Map stocks had all but been written off.

5. Matters Arising from Treasurers Report

Given that the main assets of the clubs in maps were now in OCAD files, the question was raised as to their security. Steve indicated that he held two main copies of all the clubs file in separate locations: in the office and at home.

A contract had been let to Stirling Surveys to OCAD, update and extend Dollar Bank.

6. Election of Office Bearers

The election of office bearers proceeded as follows

<i>Position</i>	<i>Person Elected</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Seconder</i>
President	Gary Longhurst	Brad Connor	Dave Coustick
Vice President	Brad Connor	David Nicol	Jonathan Molloy
Secretary	David Nicol	Louise Longhurst	Brad Connor
Treasurer	Penny Hicks	Gary Longhurst	Fraser Purves
Gen Member	Hazel Dean	Maureen Brown	Hugh Buchanan
Gen Member	Steve Barrett	Gareth Bryan-Jones	Jan Bryan-Jones
Gen Member	Kyle Heron	Jon Cross	Brad Connor

Additional, non-committee posts were noted: Team Captain – Jon Cross, Wednesday Evening Co-ordinator –Neil Kitching, Newsletter - Mark Thomson, Membership Secretary – Susan Hensman, Social Co-ordinator - Louise Longhurst - Web Master – David Nicol, Permissions – Hazel Dean.

Brad Connor stepped forward for the new post of “laptop-monitor”. (The shared laptop with Tay and KFO.)

7. Award of Trophies

Trophies were awarded as follows:

Jim Heardman Trophy – Jon Cross.

Gary's attempt at playing a guessing game with the AGM failed... Jon had now had many years as team captain. He had put a huge effort into organising people and events including competitions, training and races. Success over the years with British Relay Champs, Compass Sport Trophy, 11 person relay and the Stirling Sports Awards. He had been instrumental in various activities including day organiser at Highland 97, SI, and organising night O this year. Gary also noted his work for BOF.

Most Improved Junior – Jamie Stevenson

This had been awarded at the AGM, and there was now a proper trophy for him.

8. Membership Fees for 2006

The committee proposed, and it was agreed by the meeting that should remain unchanged for 2007 at:

Individual	£10
Junior	£2
Family	£20
Group	£20

The statement of charges was agreed – but some clarification was to be added back in about students (which had got lost in the update).

9. AOB

It was suggested that it would be worthwhile to put an inventory of the club equipment on the web so that members organising events would know what was available. Maureen offered to forward such a list.

Gary plugged Victoria's celeidth at Dunblane in order to support her BSES trip.

Members were reminded of the SOSOL at Callendar Park in the middle of February.

Brian Bullen thanked the committee for their work over the year.