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# Forth Valley Orienteers

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### Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

**Held on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2008 at the Westerton Arms, Bridge of Allan**

**Present:** Maureen Brown, Hugh Buchanan, Brian Bullen, Brad Connor, Jamie Connor, Jon Cross, Hazel Dean, Morven Dean, Roger Goddard, Susan Hensman, Katie Hensman, Kyle Heron, Penny Hicks, Trevor Hoey, Gareth Bryan-Jones, Gary Longhurst, Ross McLennan, David Nicol, Beccy Osborn, Ali Oxley

**Apologies:** Dave Coustick, Martin Dean, Will Hensman, Jan Bryan-Jones, Donald Macleod, Jen Leonard, Abi Longhurst, Louise Longhurst, Victoria Longhurst, Lucille Macleod, Rona Molloy, Steve Nicholson, Jonathan Oxley, Brian Porteous, Fraser Purves, Elizabeth Sinclair, Sandy Sinclair, Caroline Smilie.

1. Minutes of last AGM

The minutes were approved – with one correction. It was Stuart Thomson who was on tour in 2007, not Craig..

2. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

3. Presidents Report

Gary gave a brief overview of the year. FVO won back both the Jamie Stevenson Trophy and the Compass Sport Trophy. Individual successes were many and varied, including good performances at the Scottish Six Day. Again, we had juniors on tour – Abi, Jamie and Jack with others in ScotjOs.

FVO put on its usual complement of events. The WEE league in the summer, and the night O over the winter months has now become well established. Early in the year, we put on a SOSOL at Callendar Park (planned by Maureen, organised by Louise), SOL 6 at Dumyat (planned by Trevor, organised by Gary), ran Day 4 at Culbin (planned by Kevin King, and controlled by Trevor). Gareth and Jan had organised the club champs (and provided soup).

Four new maps had recently been produced. Stirling University had now been mapped to SprintO standards, and Steve had extended that to the woods; Gareth had mapped of Sauchie Crags, Barr Woods was being slightly extended for use with the World Schools Championships, and Stirling Town has been newly mapped to Sprint O standards for the Scottish Sprint Champs in May.

Jason as the clubs new head coach has reinvigorated training, with a full weekly programme and a weekly email. The sessions being well attended. It was good to see Jason being awarded “Coach of the Year” by Stirling Sports Council.

The club has bought its own SI kit, and it has been well used at the night events.

All in all, another busy and successful year.

#### 4. Treasurers Report

The bank balance remains healthy, despite a slight decrease in cash. Thanks to Hazel’s efforts, the club had received a healthy grant £3000 from Stirling Sport Council. Some of that though was hypothecated to athlete support. (Previously athletes were supported directly by Stirling Sports Council – now they receive grants via the club. The club had passed on directly the amounts awarded to the athletes – Abi, Tori, Jack, Ami and Janine (£250 for Scottish level, £500 for British level).

It was noted that the line for the “Callendar Park” effect was due to the accounts for Callendar Park being completed outside the FVO books, and only the net being paid into the club accounts. There would be income due to the club from its share of the Scottish Six Day.

#### 5. Matters Arising from Treasurers Report

It was noted that although cash had gone down, the club could perhaps treat equipment such as the SI kit as an asset (in the same way it used to treat map stocks).

#### 6. Election of Office Bearers

The election of office bearers proceeded as follows

<i>Position</i>	<i>Person Elected</i>	<i>Proposer</i>	<i>Secunder</i>
President	Gary Longhurst	Brad Connor	Jon Cross
Vice President	Brad Connor	David Nicol	Gary Longhurs
Secretary	David Nicol	Beccy Osborn	Ali Oxley
Treasurer	Roger Goddard	Ross McLennan	Kyle Heron
Gen Member	Steve Barrett	Jon Cross	Maureen Brown
Gen Member	Hazel Dean	Gareth Bryan-Jones	Beccy Osborn
Gen Member	Kyle Heron	Ross McLellan	Maureen Brown

Additional, the following non-committee roles were noted ...

Team Captain Jon Cross,

Wednesday Evening Co-ordinator –Beccy Osborn,

Newsletter Will offered to take over the editorship in a year’s time. In the meantime with Mark Thomson wanting to step down, Beccy proposed that we could try a rotating series of guest editors. Ross McLellan stepped forward to be the first to edit the next edition – March-April. (It was further discussed that while most members were now on electronic circulation and accessed the web, there was still a role for a newsletter – albeit the role was probably changing and evolving.)

Membership Secretary – Susan Hensman,

Web Master – David Nicol,

Permissions – Hazel Dean,

Head Coach – Jason Inman  
Electronic equipment – Brad Connor  
Other equipment – Maureen Brown  
Child protection officer – Hazel Dean

7. Award of Trophies

The bulk of the trophies had been awarded at the AGM, leaving only the Jim Heardman trophy for services to the club. While there were many people contributing heavily to the club, the committee had not felt it appropriate to award it this year.

8. Membership Fees for 2008

The committee proposed, and it was agreed by the meeting that should remain unchanged for 2008 at:

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

The statement of charges was agreed in line with this – although it was noted that prices for printing maps for third parties was dropping.

9. AOB

There was a brief discussion on mapping. Two areas mentioned for possible renewal included South Achray and Abbey Craig. Gary noted that Touch was being remapped for the SOL in May. Rannoch forest was being considered as an area that the club might like to acquire the copyright of, though Gareth noted it had been considered for the Six Day in 2009 and rejected.

Gareth Bryan-Jones thanked the committee for their work over the year.