



# Forth Valley Orienteers

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### Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

#### Held on Wednesday 5th February 2014 at the Logie Kirk Hall

**Present:** Fiona Berrow, Brian Bullen, Ross McLennan, Roger Goddard, Rupert Parkinson, Gareth Bryan-Jones, Jan Bryan Jones, Gary Longhurst, Louise Longhurst, David Nicol, Trevor Hoey, Fraser Purves, Jason Inman, Jamie Goddard, Dawn Goddard, Will Hensman, Jon Cross, Beccy Osborn

**Apologies:** Martin Dean, Hazel Dean, Susan Hensman, Janine Inman, Peggy Purves, Brad Connor, Dave Coustick

1. Minutes of the 2013 AGM

The minutes were approved. They were proposed by Fiona Berrow and seconded by Ross McLennan

2. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes of the 2013 AGM.

3. President's Report

Roger presented his President's Report. He reported that FVO had had a successful and enjoyable year and presented our highlights under the following five headings:

i. Encouraging good club representation and winning positions at competitions

He reported that the Club once again won the Compass sport trophy (for the 7<sup>th</sup> year running) and had a number of notable team performances throughout the year in relay competitions.

In recognition of Individual performance Lizzie Stansfield had been awarded athlete of the year and Daniel Stansfield, the most improved junior athlete of the year

At the 6-days we had a massive turn out with good performances across members.

ii. Organising quality events, with great maps, planning and organisation which are really good value for money

FVO hosted two UKOL events and SOL, at Tulliallan and Trossachs; Day 6 of the S6D; The 40<sup>th</sup> Celebration weekend, at Rannoch and were the first club in the UK to trial touchless punching.

Roger thanked all the organisers, key event officials and helpers.

iii. Ensuring there are regular training and local events for club members

We continued to provide local events, including the Wednesday Evening Series and night series. This year we introduced the Come & Train (CAT) series and introduced skills certificates. The FVO Dinner Dance was another superb evening. Roger thanked all those involved with staging these events

iv. Looking for opportunities to promote the club and attract new members

The WEE Series during the summer and the training events in the autumn helped to promote the club to non-members and Jen has worked on the communication process for new member Ross has developed a marketing plan for the club which we will look to implement during 2014, but needs input from members to ensure we have news items to publish. One area of focus will be to improve our web site particularly for new members

v. Investing any income back into the Club for long term success and benefit of members

The treasurer's report outlines that the finances are in solid shape, We are looking to gain access to LIDAR data for a re-survey of Dumyat. The club also subsidised the Compass Sport Trophy qualifier, finals and relay events and athlete support.

Roger reflected that once again we had a great year of performance and put on a wide range of local and larger events and socials for the club, which helps to promote a very active membership base.

The other key achievement for FVO was reaching the landmark of 40 years and it was great that we spent time celebrating and marking this achievement.

Roger recognised the passing of two of our members. Caroline Smilie died in May 2013 aged 81 years and Tom Ryan died in December at just 22 years old. Our thoughts are very much with both families for their loss.

Looking forward into 2014 - FVO is hosting the Compass Sport Trophy / SOSOL in February; a day at the Castle Sprint races in the Autumn, and have a full WEE series planned.

Roger thanked the committee for their hard work, and our members for their continued input and energy throughout the year.

*Note*, The President's report is published in full on the FVO web at <http://fvo.org.uk/news/2014/feb/13/presidents-2013-annual-report/>

4. Treasurer's Report

Gareth presented the club accounts. Dawn Goddard had checked that they were a true representation. Gareth highlighted that in the past 12 months there had been more income than expenditure but that monies had been committed to updating the South Achray map and when this is taken in to account the bank balance would be ~ £6,500 which is in line with the desired £5,000 reserve. Proposed spend for the coming year would include updating the recently acquired Beecraigs map, mapping a WEE area in the Stirling area, updating Dumyat and possibly Barrwood using Lidar data.

5. Matters Arising from Treasurer's Report

There was some discussion about having a rolling plan for updating the maps of areas that are used regularly. The committee agreed to discuss.

It was suggested that the Club should have enough Si equipment to be self sufficient when running an Event. Will agreed to produce a proposal for the Committee to discuss.

#### 6. Election of Committee

The election of office bearers proceeded as follows:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Person Elected</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
President	Roger Goddard	Jon Cross	Ross McLennan
Vice President	Trevor Hoey	Louise Longhurst	Fraser Purves
Secretary	Louise Longhurst	David Nicol	Ross McLennan
Treasurer	Gareth Bryan-Jones	Fraser Purves	Beccy Osborn
Gen Member	Hazel Dean	Roger Goddard	Jason Inman
Gen Member	Rupert Parkinson	Roger Goddard	Jan Bryan Jones
Gen Member	Ross McLennan	Roger Goddard	Jon Cross

#### 7. Non-committee roles

<u>Position</u>	<u>Person Confirmed</u>
Team Captain	Jon Cross
Wednesday Evening Co-ordinator	Peggy Purves
Night Events Co-ordinator	Martin Dean
Safeguarding Officer	Hazel Dean
Communications	Ross McLennan
Web Master / Archivist	David Nicol
Membership Secretary	Jen Leonard
Head Coach	TBC
Electronic Equipment Holder	Will Hensman
Mapping	Jason Inman
Permissions	Hazel Dean
Equipment	Ben Stansfield

#### 8. Membership Fees for 2015

The committee proposed, and it was agreed by the meeting that membership fees should remain unchanged:

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

#### 9. AOB

It was suggested that the FVO website could be updated to explain who FVO are and to provide a better experience for non-members.

Gareth Bryan-Jones thanked David Nicol for his many years as Secretary.