

## **2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**Venue:** Hundred House Village Hall, LD1 5RY (grid ref: SO113544)

**Date:** 2pm Sunday, 8 May 2016

### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Peter Ribbans (WOA Chair and Chair of SWOC), David Pal (WOA Fixtures Secretary, WOA/DEE), Roger Stein (WOA Secretary and WOA Information Officer, SBOC), Robert Griffiths (WOA Mapping Officer, MWOC), Mark Saunders (WOA Development Officer and WOA Technical Officer, WOA/BOK), Anne May (WOA Membership Secretary, WOA/SLOW), Peter Mahoney (WOA/NGOC), David May (WOA/SLOW).

- 1. APOLOGIES** – Helena Burrows (WOA Coaching Officer, WOA/LOC), Bridget Stein (WOA Schools Liaison Officer, SBOC), Amy Peltor (WOA Treasurer, WOA/BAOC), Bob Dredge (British Orienteering Director), David Doherty (SBOC) Gabriella Walsh (WOA Junior Squad Manager, WOA Regional Volunteer Champion and Chair of MWOC), Pauly-D Jones (WOA/DEE), Jim Wood (ERYRI), Judith and Colin Powell (SWOC), Terry Smith (MWOC)
- 2. MINUTES OF 2015 AGM (13 September 2015)** – agreed as an accurate record of the meeting.
- 3. MATTERS ARISING** – None.
- 4. REPORTS OF OFFICERS FOR 2015** (*see WOA Annual Report 2015*)
  - a. Chairman (PR) – report accepted
  - b. Treasurer (AP) – report accepted. Proposal 1 – that annual accounts for 2015-16 be adopted – was agreed.  
Treasurer was congratulated on having completed the accounts so promptly for this meeting, and also for her four years of service for the Association.
  - c. Membership Secretary (AM) – report accepted.  
The overall membership numbers for 2014 are encouraging. However the meeting was concerned with the decline in the ERYRI membership.
  - d. Development Officer and Technical Officer (MS) - report accepted. There followed some discussion on the need for a Controller's course to be held.
  - e. Fixtures Secretary (DP) – report accepted. Agreed on suggestion to explain major variations in participation numbers e.g. due to large events.
  - f. Information Officer (RS) – report accepted. Noted that this role need filling as RS now Secretary
  - g. Coaching Officer (HB) – report accepted.
  - h. Mapping Officer (RG) – report accepted. (RS to correct two minor typos. – *Done.*)
  - i. Secretary (RS) – no report (relevant matters appear in the Chairman's Report).

It was agreed that it was useful for reports to be compiled just after year end rather than wait until AGM. RS to remind all at end of Dec. 2016.

**5. REPORTS OF ADVISORS FOR 2015** (see WOA Annual Report 2015)

- a. Schools Liaison Officer (BS) – report accepted.
- b. Junior Squad Manager (MS/AB)) – report accepted.
- c. Senior Squad Manager (EN) – report accepted.
- d. Veteran Squad Manager (SB) – no report received; RS inserted VHI results.
- e. [Welsh League (NS) – no report.]
- f. [Webmaster (RS) – no report.]
- g. [Editor of Y Ddraig (position vacant) – no report.]
- h. [Regional Volunteer Champion (GW) – no report.]

**6. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

- a. Chair: Peter Ribbans was thanked for his many years of service to the Association. No nominations were received for Chair. Clubs are asked to help find replacement as soon as possible.
- b. Secretary: Roger Stein happy to continue. All agreed.
- c. Treasurer: Jean Lochhead (EPOC) was nominated (AM/DP) and had agreed to act as Treasurer). Amy Peltor will pass relevant files to her and liaise in the transfer of roles.  
It was agreed that access to the on-line bank account would be transferred to her.
- d. Mapping Officer – Robert Griffiths happy to continue. All agreed.
- e. Coaching Officer - Helena Burrows happy to continue. All agreed.
- f. Information Officer - Roger Stein would prefer not to continue given that he has taken over as Secretary. He will cover the role until a suitable volunteer is found.
- g. Fixtures Secretary – David Pal happy to continue. All agreed.
- h. Membership Secretary – Anne May happy to continue. All agreed.
- i. Development Officer and Technical Officer – Mark Saunders happy to continue. All agreed.

**7. ELECTION OF AUDITOR** – Proposal 2 – that Nigel Ferrand be appointed as auditor – was agreed.

**8. Amendments to the Constitution**

Proposal 3 – that sub-sections 5.2 and 5.3 be deleted – was agreed. (*This was to remove the inconsistencies of describing Rights for membership categories which no longer existed.*)

**9. BUDGET 2017-18** (see WOA Annual Report 2015)

- a. Proposal 4 – that the Budget for 2017-18 be approved – agreed.
- b. Proposal 5 – that the fees and levies for 2017 remain the same as 2016 – agreed.

**10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- a. Eligibility for Home Internationals – there was support for the amendment being proposed by SOA. It did not seem necessary to change the information on this currently on the WOA web site. RS was asked to check the match between Home Internationals and Welsh Championships eligibility for discussion at next Executive Committee.
- b. Agreed that MS/PR/DM attend meeting with Sport Wales to discuss possibilities of World Masters 2020 in Wales. Report outcome to RS.

**11. DATE OF 2017 AGM** – date to be confirmed. Need to be later in the year to give time for accounts to be closed at end of March. Probably at SINS 2017 event.