



BUSINESS MEETING OF THE WELSH ORIENTEERING ASSOCIATION

Venue:

DATE: Sunday, 16th June 2013, after AGM

Venue: Llandre Village Hall

MINUTES

PRESENT: Peter Ribbans, SWOC (Chair); Robert Griffiths, POW; Gabriella Walsh, POW; John Ellis, ERYRI; Anne May, SLOW (minutes); Rose Phillips, POW; Roger Stein, SBOC.

1. Apologies - Helena Burrows, LOC; Robert Dredge, British Orienteering; Sophie Brown, AIRE; Mark Saunders, BOK; David Pal, SPLOT.
2. Minutes of last business meeting (NOT DISCUSSED ON 16/6/13)
3. Matters arising, not covered below (NOT DISCUSSED ON 16/6/13)
4. Reports of officers (for the period Feb to June 2013): (to be received **beforehand** and circulated by Sec for reading prior to meeting) (NOT DISCUSSED ON 16/6/13)
 - a. Report of the Treasurer (Amy Peltor)
 - b. Report from Membership Secretary (Pete Ribbans)
 - c. Report from Technical Officer (David May)
 - d. Report from Mapping Officer (Robert Griffiths)
 - e. Report from Coaching Officer (Helena Burrows)
 - f. Report from Junior Squad Manager (Mark Saunders)
 - g. Report from Schools Liaison officer (Mair Tomos?)
 - h. Report from BOF Club and Association Conference (Pete Ribbans)
5. Fixtures (NOT DISCUSSED ON 16/6/13)
 - a. Fixtures Secretary's Report (David Pal)
 - b. Future fixtures (not listed below)
 - c. Croeso 2016
 - d. JK 2014
6. Development (Mark Saunders) (NOT DISCUSSED ON 16/6/13)
7. News from British Orienteering (Robert Dredge) (NOT DISCUSSED ON 16/6/13)

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a) **Welsh Championships 2013:** Eryri has 25 SI units. Eryri will require help getting kit from other clubs.

PR confirms that there should not be a problem getting kit: Adrian Moir, Graham Tough of SWOC, Steve Walsh (POW) have the expertise. PR can provide contacts from SWOC.

Action: PR will send contacts to JE.

- b) FUNDING FOR DEVELOPMENT

After the failure to get funding from SCW for a development role in Welsh Orienteering, specifically with a view to building towards each Croeso, Rose Phillips has some ideas on this: People and Places Lottery funding is open again. "Including the excluded...." She suggested one could frame it to cover the whole of Wales.

Indirectly other things: Sport Wales website does not have Orienteering. What would I like to do? No mention of orienteering.

There is funding around for small things: not developing orienteering per se but using it to develop mental health, improving fitness, access to the environment. Maybe money for an awareness marketing campaign.

Could investigate what might be there and what might be done ... and what could be done towards the next Croeso.

PR would rather someone went ahead with the investigative work than if we just discussed at endless meetings.

To go for bids you need to show that we could match funding. Volunteer time can be put against match funding... follow the projects and the spin-off anticipated would be someone working for Croeso...

Might stand a better chance if it is regional. Do we know?

Best way to progress? Rose and Gabriella to have a conversation about possibilities and GW to write a comment on report.

ACTION: Gabriella Walsh

- c) JOK wants to run their chasing start event on the Sat before the Welsh Championships in October. Officially the Welsh Champs should be just a one day event. It is not to be classified as a 2-day event as there is a 2-day event elsewhere in GB. It was agreed that JOK should not have their event on Newborough. JE suggested possibly A DEE area? Rob and John to communicate on this.

ACTION: John Ellis and Rob Griffiths

9. Date of next meeting

THIS meeting to be continued as an e-meeting. PR to organise within the next week or two. 25th June evening.

ACTION: Pete Ribbans