

Summary of Committee Meeting – 20th November 2014

- **UK Orienteering League** Chairman Howard Thomas was delighted to note the outstanding achievement of the Klub in winning the National League, and Mark Saunders in finishing first in the individual competition.
- **Denis Hamment Legacy Gift** Agreed that this would be used to support overseas training camps for BOK juniors. The most generous gift of £5000 in Denis's memory will allow grants of £1000 to be made to each of 5 separate camps. The first camp is due to take place in 2015. Denis's family are enthusiastically supportive of this decision which the Committee feels Denis would have wholeheartedly approved of, given his love of orienteering, travel and support for the continuing success of the Klub he loved.
- **BOK Membership Booklet** Agreed to discontinue the printed membership booklet in the light of recent advice from British Orienteering on the application of the Data Protection Act to the privacy of members' details. It is clear that the production of any future booklet could only be achieved with the expenditure of considerable effort in seeking and maintaining individual members' consent. The booklet has served a useful purpose in enabling members to arrange shared transport to events but there are now more online means of doing this. Thanks are due to Membership Secretary Alan Kempton and BOK News Editor Mark Blackstone for all their efforts in compiling and distributing the booklet over a period of many years.
- **SWOA/BOK Mapping Course** Mapping Officer Trevor Crowe reported that the recent course had been well attended and a great success. He commended Chris Johnson who had played a leading role. It is intended to hold another course in 2015, aimed at less experienced mappers.
- **Mapping Statistics** Trevor Crowe reported that in the last 4 years 8 new classic and 17 new urban/schools maps had been produced. In the same period 20 classic and 6 urban maps had been updated. Encouragingly, 8 new mappers had produced new urban maps, albeit all the new classic maps had been produced by established mappers. Chairman Howard Thomas was pleased to note these encouraging numbers and reminded members that without maps the sport would not exist.
- **Ashton Court** Permissions Officer Simon St. Leger-Harris was pleased to report that Bristol City Council now appeared willing to allow night orienteering events to be held once again at Ashton Court Estate.
- **Bids for Major Events** Agreed to support the recommendation of Fixtures Secretary Alan Honey and the Klub Fixtures Sub Committee to submit bids for the 2016 CompassSport Cup qualifying round at Cannop Ponds, 2017 British Schools Championships at Silk Wood, and 2018 British Middle and Sprint Championships at Stockhill and Bath University.
- **British Orienteering Championships 2015** The Partnership Agreement for the delivery of this event has now been signed with British Orienteering. Howard Thomas commended the efforts of Mike Forrest in respect of the financial aspects of the Agreement, and was delighted to announce that the individual entry fees would be lower than those in place at the 2014 event.
- **BOK Klub Championships** Agreed that the primary function of this event is not to determine the best orienteer in the Klub but instead to facilitate a social occasion to bring together members around a relaxed orienteering event. Feedback from members after the 2014 Championships suggested that a classic area was preferred. Alan Honey undertook to investigate options for 2015. The Committee agreed that it should be a closed to members event to better promote the opportunity for members to get to know one another.
- **Date of Next Meeting.** 22nd January 2015

David Palmer
BOK Secretary