

## **DVO Committee Agenda 15 March on Zoom or hybrid 7:30pm**

Attending SC, JH, BD, CM, JK-B, PG, MG. JC, VM, K&RB, JP, JH

Apologies – Ranald, Dave

### **1. Minutes of last meeting**

Matters Arising: John, would like to see the documents mentioned given the same names that they have in British Orienteering documentation. These are: "O-Safe Child Safeguarding Policy", "Code of Ethics and Behaviour" and "Safeguarding Regulations".

### **2. Chair's Report**

Sal met with the development group and with Kim regarding schools' events leading up to BSSC 2022 in October (fuller report on the last quarter delivered at the February Open Meeting).

### **3. Treasurer's Report – Brian**

At the end of February, the Savings Account stood at £10,977 while the Current Account stood at £9,675, representing a net gain of £227 since the start of the financial year. Within the current quarter, income has exceeded expenses to the tune of £770.4

DVO has held 2 events since the last report, which brought in a net income of £2,230.66

The Club's finances remain sound with accessible funds of £20,652 in the current account and savings account at the end of February 2022

### **4. Secretary's Report – Paul**

Current membership stands at 153, which includes 3 life members. This is down on a year ago, by just under 30 members. No doubt COVID has played a significant part in some members' decision about renewing/restarting Orienteering. Hopefully now as COVID is becoming a more normal part of our lives and with orienteering events getting somewhere back to pre-COVID levels, we may see some lapsed members return.

Paul thought it would be interesting to see what kind of turn out we are getting at our bigger (in the first instance) events. Over the most recent 4 level C events there have been 89 DVO runners taking part which represents about 60% of the club. 37 runners ran in 3 or 4 of these events which represents around 24% of the membership. This will continue to be tracked over the coming months.

Jane asked to see a list of participating runners to compare with people active in her team

#### **Action Paul**

LEI Ratby 28 DVO runners

Walesby 39 DVO runners (can look at Results to see which members are active but not helping)

### **5. Club Captain's Report – Christine**

At the CSC on February 13<sup>th</sup>, we had 36 runners, of which 24 scored. We would still have been third had everyone scored due to the low number of runners, which may have been due to distance and the fact the final will be in Edinburgh.

DVO will field 2 WM70 teams for the British Relays.

Sufficient interest has been shown in the JK for us to have 5 relay teams.

There was some discussion about encouraging more to participate in relays. The June 11<sup>th</sup> sprint relay is in Leeds and it may be of interest to more people.

Richard will be asked whether Darley Dale might be a possible event for a relay.

#### **Action Sal**

### **6. BSSC at Shipley Country Park – Kim**

The entry form and event details are now up and live (link from DVO website to British Schools OA website).

There was a subcommittee meeting in March. The April meeting of the subcommittee will take place at Shipley Park, to ensure smooth running.

Kim reported that Annie and Sal have agreed to take on first aid, Viv will take care of the finish area. The event will just be for the championship with no follow-on event, as that format has not been successful in the past.

It will be essential to ensure there are enough helpers, particularly in the start box where young children need significant support/guidance.

This needs to be a fun experience that encourages participation in the future.

Possibility of a maze or similar to entertain youngsters and parents while waiting.

Next subcommittee meeting; 4<sup>th</sup> April 10am at the café in Shipley Park.

### **7. EMOA Rep – John**

No new items to raise

### **8. Club Development**

Development Group members who attended British Orienteering Development conference Zoom sessions met in early March to share good ideas arising from the sessions. They proposed that the Club should employ a part-time Club Development Officer, which is a role that has been successful in other clubs. For example, the 'Couch to Green' course run by CLOK where an elite Australian runner has been coaching people via online presentations.

Viv pointed out that there are a number of documents available on the BOF/O Foundation site that support such initiatives. Feedback from other clubs is also available.

John asked about costs. Sal suggested £8k, which would be part funded by other bodies, leaving around £2.5–3k for DVO to pay.

John asked whether we knew who this would target. It was suggested this should be should an open discussion wider within the club. Perhaps we could ask CLOK how it's gone for them.

Viv suggested that we could get feedback from BOF.

Judith and Sal pointed out that we will need to apply for grants; demonstrate who target groups would be.

### **9. Crich Chase crowd-funder – should DVO contribute?**

Jane; only £40k has been raised by Derbyshire Wildlife Trust so far towards the £700k total. If DWT do not succeed in buying the woodland, any funds achieved go to DWT.

Mike notes that DWT have not been sufficiently supportive of orienteering in the past. Asks that we check this and the fate of funds donated to DWT

## **Action Jane**

### **10. Rewilding at Allestree Park**

The Derby City Council survey finishes on April 11<sup>th</sup>

Only 4 people have raised orienteering but there has been no debate about it on the forum debate. John feels the club should contribute as well as individuals.

## **Action Sal**

John; has spoken with Ranald who will comment on a similar project near Leeds, which may give pointers.

### **11. JK 2024**

John Duckworth has agreed to plan the Relays on Stanton Moor and Sal will organise. Negotiations with the landowner will commence after event on Sunday. Other clubs will be requested to cover certain areas. Promises to be a great event over the Easter weekend

### **12. Summer Social – 8 June after Whitworth Park evening event**

Whitworth Park evening social to mark the World Orienteering Day. Starts will be 6.30-8.00 to facilitate scout group participation.

Follow event with a picnic.

John H confirmed that under 16s – Scouts – are not allowed on roads with ‘significant traffic’ so a relay format within the park will be needed for them, as well as for DVO juniors and any beginners.

**Action:** Sal to ask Richard if he can plan Relay legs using the park and adjacent streets plus Hallsmoor Wood.

### **13. Any other business**

Discussion of Club Development officer needs to take place after the issue has been thought through by Stuart’s development group.

Mike: There was an event for Hope Valley Schools last Tuesday, at which 270 children participated. Good event in good weather. Judith thanks Mike for the effort they put in. It definitely brings goodwill with the Schools’ Development Group.

Judith: we should be looking to the year 23/24 to ensure funding available for us to access.

We should be looking to get sufficient funding to cover costs, at least. (??)

John: Beat the Streets is coming to Heanor! Goes live tomorrow, fobs can be obtained from the Leisure Centre and the library.

## **Date of next meeting**

Committee meeting Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Open meeting, Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June Venue TBA after discussion with Graham

## **Action Sal**