

INTERLØPERS

ORIENTEERING CLUB • EDINBURGH

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the 14th Interløpers A.G.M. held in the Sommerville room at the Edinburgh University Societies Centre, The Pleasance, Edinburgh on thursday 8th June 1989. The meeting opened at 7:15 p.m.

(1) PRESENT: Gail Balfour, Scott Balfour, John Barrow, Bob Cherry, Jane Cherry, Janet Fallon, Ray Heyworth, Janet McClean, Ian McIntyre, Lesley MacKenzie, Ishbel Mollison, Ken Ovens, Lucy Patterson, Eva Riemersma (guest), Gordon Riemersma, Rudolph Riemersma, Ynske Riemersma, David Sheldon, Jane Smith, Anthony Squire, Steve Terry, Simon Thompson, Charlie Walton, Christine Whalley (23 + 1)
APOLOGIES: Pat Squire

(2) MINUTES OF THE 1988 A.G.M.

(a) Adoption: the minutes of the 1988 Annual General Meeting were adopted as a fair record of the meeting, proposed by Janet McClean, and seconded by John Barrow.

(b) Matters arising: Simon Thompson asked if any income had been received from the *Highland '87* 6-day event. The committee reported that money had been received and had been included under Event Income in the Financial Statement for the year.

(3) CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Steve Terry reported on Interløpers' activities over the past year (see separate sheet).

Charlie Walton added a comment about members' success at international level, with Christine Whalley continuing to produce notable results including a win in the Senior Home International race, and Gordon Riemersma being selected to go to Sweden with the Scottish juniors in the summer. Other juniors are also active in the Area junior squad and Graham McIntyre is now coach for the British senior squad.

(4) FINANCIAL STATEMENT for the year ending 31st March 1989

Janet Fallon presented the income and expenditure account and the balance sheet for the financial year.

Ray Heyworth asked about Map Printing Costs; these were for the Archerfield map, and it was explained, in answer to further questions from the floor, that the maps had been written off as an asset this year as future use of the area is uncertain.

Ray Heyworth also asked about the breakdown of the Event Income; £120 came from the *Highland '87* 6-day event and the majority of the remainder from our Lothian O-League event at Archerfield, with some small contributions from summer series, autumn series and training events.

Steve Terry commented on the Entries subsidised by Interløpers, saying he felt it was a good thing for the club to contribute towards entries for relay events and the like where possible.

The financial statement was accepted by the meeting, proposed by Ray Heyworth, and seconded by Rudolph Riemersma.

(5) MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 1990

Janet Fallon proposed an increase in Senior and Family membership fees to £3 and £4 respectively. After some discussion Simon Thompson proposed a Family membership fee of £4.50 and this was accepted as a modification to the original proposal. The modified proposal was seconded by Lucy Patterson. During the discussion it was pointed out that S.O.A. and B.O.F. fees are being frozen or reduced, but this was largely to encourage "full" rather than "club only" members. It was felt that very few Interløpers were abusing the "club only" membership category, as many of our club only members are abroad, are full members through other clubs, or are relatively new to the sport. Group membership was also examined; we have no affiliated groups at present but it was agreed that it was desirable to encourage groups to join.

INTERLØPERS

ORIENTEERING CLUB • EDINBURGH

A vote was held on the modified proposal which was passed with a large majority of those present voting in favour and no votes against. Club membership fees for 1990 are:

Junior £1.00 Senior £3.00 Family £4.50 Group £1.00

(6) ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

| <u>Position</u> | <u>Nominee</u> | <u>Proposer</u> | <u>Seconder</u> |
|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| (a) Hon. president | Carol McNeill | Ray Heyworth | Christine Whalley |
| (b) Chairman | Steve Terry | Janet Fallon | Jane Cherry |
| (c) Secretary | John Barrow | Jane Cherry | Christine Whalley |
| (d) Treasurer | Janet Fallon | Simon Thompson | Scott Balfour |
| (e) Social secretary | Lucy Patterson | Janet Fallon | David Sheldon |
| (f) Newsletter editor | Charlie Walton | Scott Balfour | Janet Fallon |
| (g) Junior member | Gordon Riemersma | Janet McClean | Ynske Riemersma |
| (h) Ordinary membs. | Pat Squire | Anthony Squire | Ray Heyworth |
| | Jane Cherry | Charlie Walton | Janet Fallon |
| (i) Area rep. | Ian McIntyre | Scott Balfour | Jane Cherry |

(7) SCOTTISH CHAMPIONSHIPS 1991

Interløpers have been allocated the Scottish championships in 1991; Charlie Walton outlined what this would involve and reported on progress to date. Some discussion of the event took place, largely about the venue, and an appeal was made for event officials. Janet McClean, Simon Thompson, Janet Fallon, Scott Balfour and Charlie Walton indicated interest and it was agreed that they should form a "Scottish champs committee" to push ahead with preparations for the event. Rudolph Riemersma offered help and expertise in obtaining sponsorship.

(8) T-SHIRTS

Charlie Walton explained that it had been planned to invite ideas for new club T-shirts before the A.G.M. but this had been omitted so discussion was welcomed. Sweat shirts emerged from the discussion as more popular than T-shirts, or it may be possible to get a design printed on a range of garments. A design competition was suggested; a quick decision should allow shirts to be ready for the 6-day, so those present were invited to submit designs to Jane Cherry by the 17th June, the winning designer to get a free shirt.

(9) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Scott Balfour reminded everyone that help was needed on our day (day 5) at the *Loch Lomond '89 6-day* this summer, and Steve Terry encouraged all those present to come along.

(b) Bob Cherry asked about **current mapping activity** in the club; little is going on and there is a need for more people to become involved. After some discussion of available training courses it was agreed that such courses should be publicised to club members and attendance should be encouraged.

(c) The date for our badge event this autumn was confirmed as the 15th October.

(d) Those present were reminded about the **training afternoon** Pat Squire is putting on on Saturday 17th June at Cammo Park, and about the **club weekend** in the Spey valley in September.

(e) Ian McIntyre suggested we have a **new design of O-suit**. He was requested to come up with ideas.

(f) Rudolph Riemersma requested maximum advance notice of **CompassSport Cup match dates**. It was explained that match dates are agreed between competing clubs and may not be known a long time in advance.

The meeting closed at 8:50 p.m.

Interløpers Fourteenth A.G.M., 8th June 1989: CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I will try to be brief - we have had another quiet year so that should not be too difficult, but there has been a lot of activity even so.

Events Organised - The main one again was our Lothian O-League, this year at Archerfield on the revised map. The map was a bit late appearing, and I apologise for my contribution to the delay - it was also partly the weather and other factors. However, Jane coped well with the planning and Jan McClean with the organising, our thanks and congratulations to them. Minor events included the Club Championships last August - Jane again! Also several of the Summer Series evening events (which is under way again now), and an Autumn "mini-series". Thanks to all who helped with those. We also helped out Perth Orienteers with their Kinnoul Hill event, and Pat Squire has had several successful Training Days, with another scheduled for next week.

Juniors - The Training Days are part of Pat's activities in encouraging Juniors' development, and I hope his very worthwhile efforts will continue. We do want to encourage Junior members as much as possible - they are Orienteering's future, of course. We have a place for a Junior on the committee to try to help that process, but a concerned adult is always needed to keep things moving, and I urge everyone to give Pat your full support. The young Riemersmas, Balfours and Squires are all to be congratulated on their improvement this year.

Events Competed In - include the CompassSport Cup again. We actually won our first round tie against FVO this year, but were trounced by ESOC in the second round, mainly due to the absence of many of our "star" runners. Again, Jane must be congratulated on her co-ordinating efforts. We were also represented in the International Arena - Ray Heyworth broke a rib at Croeso '88 in Wales (I hope you are fully recovered, Ray!), three Interløpers were seen at the United States O-festival in November '88, and yours truly had a good time at the New Zealand South Island 7-day in January '89.

Future Events - many are coming up very soon, this will be a very busy year for all active Interløpers. We have Loch Lomond '89 on the 4th August - Scott Balfour and Ian McIntyre active; S.E.Area Championships on the 15th October - Janet Fallon and Simon Thompson active; a L.O.L. this winter, and J.K. 1990 next Easter, when all will be needed to help. Then of course Scottish Champs 1991, of which more later in the meeting. All this in addition to the usual evening and training events makes a very full load, in comparison with previous years, and I hope everyone will do their best to help out, and spread that load.

Other Occurences - have been many and varied. Jane has continued to produce an excellent Newsletter; Julie Grant "disappeared" during the year, and her Social Secretary's duties were taken on by Janet, increasing her already heavy load as Treasurer and willing event organiser - she was also confirmed as a controller last year, congratulations to her, and to Scott who was "promoted" to Grade 1, I hope this doesn't make too much extra workload for them! Some social events happened - it would be good if we could find some way of encouraging more folk to come to socials.

Finally, B.O.F., S.O.A. and Scottish Area business has kept us entertained - things like the proposed "SOA only" membership scheme, SOA badge scheme, possible formation of a new Scottish Area for TINTO's benefit, drug testing, etc., etc. all help to make life more and more hectic. I just hope that the so-called "developments" are not just for development's sake - we risk spoiling the sport by too much unnecessary development!

If I have forgotten anything which you consider important, please raise it now, so that it can go on the record. And really finally - my thanks to all my colleagues on the committee this past year, for their unstinting hard work in keeping the Club going.

