## INTERLOPERS ORIENTEERING CLUB SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Lothian Outdoor Education Centre - Friday 15th. May 1981 - 7.30 pm

- 1. PRESENT: Scott Balfour, Meg Fraser, Hew Fraser, Gordon Shiach,
  Ray Heyworth, Ann Ritchie, Margaret Bruce, John Mitchell,
  Dave Kershaw, Douglas McKeith, Kenneth Ovens, Ian Hendrie,
  Fiona McKean, Dermod Ruddock, Gordon Stoddart, Stephen Hall,
  Rona McCarthy, Ann Heyworth, Geoff Ramsay, Jonathan
  Musgrave, Douglas Guy, Mary Stobie, Bob Stobie, Ian Lamont,
  - APOLOGIES: Robin Sloan, Peter Woolverton, Hilary Smith, Katherine Shiach, Jim Doig, Ian Jones, Moray Jones.
- 2. MINUTES OF THE 1980 AGM: These were adopted as a fair record. Proposed by Ray Heyworth, seconded by Gordon Shiach.
- 3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: The year had been most encouraging for the future of the club. Outstanding performances were made in the JK with the Womens' Open Relay first, the Boys' M17 Relay first, and a third in the Short Men Open. Jim Doig had won the Scottish Native Championship and the ladies had won the Scottish Women's Relay. The SOA has presented Carol McNeill with the trophy for W19 which she has won ten times in the last twelve years. Club members have done extremely well in the Scottish Gallopen and the Lothian O-Leagues.

These successes were helped by the background of training sessions available: Scott's Thursday Gym Sessions at Liberton in the winter, the longer steady runs usually from Meggetland on Thursdays, and Martin Hyman's Tuesday interval/jogging sessions which had done much to stimulate training and promote good club spirit and contact with other orienteers in Edinburgh. Ian Hendrie's film and technique coaching evening had proved popular and useful.

The club had also a major commitment to Orienteering in Scotland, with Dave Kershaw Vice President, Hew Fraser Treasurer and Ray Heyworth as Membership Secretary. The SE Area Committee has many Interlopers in the official posts ofChairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Equipment Officer and SOA representative. With this high level of commitment to administration we still managed to run our share of orienteering events, the most recent being the Scottish Individual with Ian Hendrie and Carol McNeil playing the major roles and setting an example to all with their enterprise and hard work. The social side has been good too - the squash night, Border run, Eilden run, and the pub after training all being most enjoyable. The healthy rivalry between the clubs in Edinburgh had been stimulating and encouraged about thirty Interlopers to turn out at most events this past year.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT: The following fees were adopted for the year 1982.

Proposed by Meg Fraser and seconded by Ray Heyworth.

£1.00 Junior £2.00 Senior £3.00 Family

It was noted that individual members should each get a copy of the newsletter, but of course they would be posted in one wrapper. It was decided to send at most two newsletters to those who had not rejoined the club at the start of a new year. A reminder shouldbe given in each saying that we hope that they will rejoin etc. It was essential that relay teams all rejoin BOF in good time

as it is quite unfair to team members not to have joined in time and so risk disqualification.

## 5. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS :

OFFICE	NOMINEE	PROPOSER	SECONDER
chairman treasurer secretary social sec. N/L editor junior member ody. members	Hew Fraser Meg Fraser Kenneth Ovens John Mitchell Geoff Ramsay Ann Heyworth Scott Balfour Jim Doig Gordon Shiach	Dermod Ruddock Stephen Hall John Mitchell Dave Kershaw Scott Balfour Scott Balfour Dermod Ruddok Douglas McKeith Ray Heyworth	John Mitchell Geoff Ramsay Geoff Ramsay Gordon Stoddart Meg Fraser Douglas Guy Geoff Ramsay Jonathan Musgrave Scott Balfour
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(On a vote, Jim Doig lost N/L editor, Rona McCarthy lost junior member, Gordon Shiach lost ody. member, and Stephen Hall lost SE Area rep post)

## 6. A.O.C.B.

- (a) Press Officer: Dermod Ruddock asked if someone travelling to events would note the results and pass them on to him. Dermod was helping Eddie Broadley of LINOC to get publicity for the sport and they hoped to have orienteering copy in the Scotsman and Evening News. Dermod would only be able to help until August and he hoped that the club would find someone to take over the job.
  - (b) Club Commitment: Ian Hendrie would like the club committee to formalise a policy on club members not running in events organised by Interlopers. This met with general approval although it was suggested that exceptions be made for juniors and exceptional seniors in selection events.
- (c) One Edinburgh Club: There was a lengthy discussion of the open letter by Ian Hendrie published in full in the April '81 newsletter. There were advantages and disadvantages in pooling the resources and manpower of the major Edinburgh clubs; the meeting concluded that if the feeling was strong enough then the promoters should call a special general meeting of the respective clubs and make the necessary constitutional changes. It was pointed out that while one Edinburgh club could be formed one might expect another small club to spring up at a future date and thus start another cycle of development. This had already started in the early 70's with ESOC and Interlopers.

The lack of coaching for juniors in the Lothians was discussed with the agreement that the club should play a definite lead in helping school groups. While the Lothian Schools Orienteering Association provided a means of communication between schools, the Lothian Schools Championships and Mountain Marathon, there was neither the expertise nor time for teachers to do much other than get their pupils to CATI's or Lothian O-League events. Even at these events the club could foster interest by assisting school groups