INTERLØPERS THIRD COMMITTEE MEETING, SECOND YEAR

9 BRAMDEAN RISE, EDINBURGH WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 1977 20.00

Present
Secretary - John Barrow
Treasurer - Bob Stobie
Social Secretary - Fiona Jolly
Other Members - Jenny Doig, Dave Kershaw
Co-opted - Steve Terry

In the absence of a Chairman, John Barrow conducted the Meeting.

Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

1) The Club was currently Chair-less, Liz Mills having resigned after Highland 77. Ray Heyworth had been approached, but had declined the Chair, although offering his services in perhaps another Office, Robin Sloan was unwilling to take office at present, and his future intention would be affected by his B.O.F. International Sub-Committee commitment.

2) Fiona Jolly was welcomed on to the Committee, as were Jenny Doig and Dave Kershaw who were attending their first Meeting.

Lothian O-League Event

The Club had been asked to organise an event in this series on 13 November, at Saltoun. Ian Miller and Susan Mustard would be asked to Plan the courses, and Bob Stobie agreed to Control. With promised help from seniors, Jenny Doig agreed to Organise, along with her fellow Juniors. The questions of permission to use the area, and entry fees (including any levies), would be checked with the S.E. Area Secretary.
As an aside, it was noted that Roger Vander Steen would be going to Peru at the end of the year for three years to teach Maths. (and maybe English too!).

1978 Scottish Score Championships

Steve had been progressing with mapping; there remained about $1\frac{1}{2}$ squ. km. to check, which would take about six man-days. He would have a proof ready for the Planner by the beginning of December, and would keep in touch with Gordon Petrie about reserving space on a group printing. John had written to Graham and Jan White with details of land ownership, asking them to take matters on from there. John had also asked the S.O.A. to appoint a Controller and would check on the position on 1 October. A coordinating meeting would have to be arranged soon to agree such matters as entry fees, "Orienteer" advert wording, etc., and John agreed to ask the Whites to arrange this.

Other Future Commitments

1) Autumn Badge Event, at Glenearn/Berryknowe? This would be dependent on the success of the February Score event; if held, Steve would like to Plan. John agreed to obtain a date from Ian Beck.

2) Relay Event at Bowhill. It seemed that access problems had arisen, so plans for this event were dropped.

3) S.E. Area (3 June) and Scottish Junior (October) Championships in 1979. Areas tentatively assigned to these events were Castle O'er and Duns Wood. A report on the former was awaited from Robin Sloan. It appeared that Newcastleton was being mapped by E.S.O.C. for the 1978 Scottish Universities Championships. It seemed that the two possibilities for mapping, Castle O'er and Duns Wood, could obtain financial assistance through either the S.O.A. or the Scottish Sports Council's Capital Grants scheme. A circular from the S.O.A. requesting details of proposed mapping projects required a reply by 25 September; after some discussion, it was decided to indicate our intentions of mapping both areas to the S.O.A.. Steve said he would be able to assist in these projects after finishing Glenearn/Berryknowe.

Training Sessions

Further consultation with Carol McNeill was needed on her ideas for Club Training evenings. Valerie Thom had agreed to coordinate the indoor sessions for the darker winter evenings.

Social News

An enjoyable "football" match had taken place on 17 September which 11 people turned up to. A Beer and Skittles evening was to be held at the Marischal Arms on 13 October, and tickets for the Edinburgh Orienteering Clubs Dinner Dance were available at £4.25 from Fiona. Some discussion was had on the merits of holding the A.G.M./Dinner on the weekend of the Scottish Champs.; it was realised that, for convenience's sake, both our evening and the S.O.A. A.G.M. had to take place then, but the times of each should be set well in advance so as not to clash.
A challenge to a triangular volleyball match had been received from E.S.O.C. and E.U.O.C.. It would probably take place in the Pollock Gym on 20 October.

Junior Business

The planned table-tennis tournament had not yet taken place, because of the difficulty of obtaining a booking at the Craiglockhart Sports Centre. The use of St. George's School was not possible because of staffing problems after 5 p.m.. Juniors were also experiencing problems in getting transport to events. It was agreed that another plea be made in the Newsletter for cooperation through the Transport Officer in arranging lifts.
The wisdom of presenting a Trophy to the Lothian O-League was questioned; the presentation of simple medals, or even wooden offcuts, was suggested instead. It was questioned whether any sponsorship was obtainable from the Lothian Regional Council; the S.E. Area Secretary would be contacted.

Mapping Course for Beginners

Steve offered technical help for such a course, if someone would organise it. It was suggested that Roger Vander Steen could help, and possibly Carol McNeill.
As an aside, the point was made about the unfairness in B.O.F. Instructor Assessment; courses could be attended by those aged 16 and over, but qualification was only granted to those aged 18 or more.

Club Tour and Weekend

The Irish Junior Champs. tour was going ahead, but it was wondered whether the Club would subsidise any excess travel costs for the Juniors over an average of £10. Carol McNeill intended that profits from the sale of her orienteering badges, such as those sold at Highland 77, should go to the Club possibly for sponsorship of Juniors. It was therefore suggested that this profit, to be available after initial costs had been recovered, could help to support any excess costs for Juniors travelling on the Irish Tour. John agreed to consult Carol about this.
In connection with her British Squad Sponsored Score Event at Alvie on Sunday 9 January 1978, Carol had paid a deposit on the booking of 15 beds at Insh Hall, near Alvie, at a cost of £2 per night, with the intention of making it a Club Weekend; participants would arrive on the Friday evening, ski or go hillwalking on the Saturday, and orienteer on the Sunday. Carol was asking if the Club would subsidise any loss of deposit through less than 15 people attending. The Meeting agreed, however, that no subsidy could be made, since this deposit had been committed without prior knowledge or agreement of the Club Committee.
As a final decision, it was agreed that, if necessary, up to a total of £10 would be made available to cover any extra costs over £10 per Junior attending the Irish Tour.

Next Two Meetings

It was agreed that, in future, Club Committee Meetings would be held at Jenny Ha's before the Pub Night on Thursdays. The dates of the next two Meetings were set at 24 November 1977 and 19 January 1978. It was also agreed to publish these dates in the Newsletter.
There being no further business, the Meeting closed at about 22.45.