THIRD COMMITTEE MEETING, FOURTEENTH YEAR

8 p.m., Monday 23 October 1989, at 127 Spottiswoode Gardens, Midcalder

Present:

John Barrow, Jane Cherry, Janet Fallon, Lucy Patterson, Pat Squire, Steve Terry, Charlie Walton

Apologies for absence were received from Ian McIntyre and Gordon Riemersma.

1 Minutes of previous Meeting

In Item 1, "Kathy" should read "Cathy".

In Item 5, the references to "DPCE" should read "Moray House".

2 Secretary's Report

A letter had been received from one of the directors of the Scottish 6-Day Event company, containing proposals on how the profit from Loch Lomond 89 should be apportioned. Charlie suggested that, taken literally, these proposals would mean that Interløpers would have to take a 25% share of the Day 5 profit, in company with Solway, Perth, and Roxburgh Reivers; he thought this was unfair, considering that most of the work for the Day had been shared by Solway and Interløpers, while Perth and Roxburgh had contributed a much smaller share of effort. It was suggested that the Directors of the 6-Day company be contacted with a counter-proposal to the effect that Solway and Interløpers should receive approx. 40% each, while the other two clubs should receive approx. 10% each.

The SOA Statistical Survey was due to be returned. Because of the complicated nature of the questions, some time was spent on considering suitable replies.

John mentioned that the SOA was to hold a Cartography course at Glasgow University on 25 November.

3 Treasurer's Report

Janet announced that she expected the profit from the Lomond Hills Badge Event to be in the region of £400. There was some discussion on what to do with the money (other than just put it in the bank). It was decided that a new stock of control cards, and a fair quantity of punches, should be purchased. Pat expressed the view that perhaps the club should not invest too much in new equipment, but rather some money should be allocated for subsidising Junior entry fees and for membership recruitment.

Janet wrote a cheque for Pat to cover the payment for the use of the Moray House accommodation used for the Club Weekend.

4 Events

4.1 Lomond Hills Badge Event

The event was very successful, despite the weather. There were over 420 competitors. Results were in preparation. There were several problems caused by the poor weather, one of which was that control codes disintegrated. It was suggested that, in future, the codes could be made from plastic sheet. Janet was congratulated on her organisational efforts.

4.2 S.O.A. Championships 1991

Forth Valley Orienteers have agreed our proposed use of Birnam Wood. The Landowners have yet to be approached. The National Events panel has given agreement in principle. A controller has yet to be appointed (Donald Wallace having been unable to do it). ESOC (the Relay organisers) have given their agreement too, and have suggested that they could use Baluin (at Blair Castle), or perhaps Drummond Hill. Charlie commented that the Club organisation was considerably stretched at Lomond Hills, and that we would need many more people at an event the size of the SOA Championships. We would probably have to insist on all Club members helping and not competing.

4.3 LOL

The date of 11 March 1990 had been agreed. It had become clear that use of the Pentland Hills was unlikely - the area was probably to be used for next year's Harvester Trophy. ELO wanted to use Archerfield for the 1990 Scottish Schools Championships. So it seemed that the most likely area would be Glentress - John would write to ESOC to seek their permission. Once given, Permission form ER1 should be completed. The LBOA should then be informed (via David Lane). Both a Planner and a Controller would be needed, and Steve agreed to approach several Club members who might be able to plan. The names of Fiona Hendrie and Robin Sloan were suggested as possible Controllers.

4.4 Training Events

Pat said he was planning to put on another Saturday training day, aimed particularly at Juniors.

Another suggestion was to hold an Armchair Planning evening, perhaps early in the New Year.

5 Newsletter

It was agreed to produce the next issue for about the end of November. Charlie suggested a deadline of 12 November.

6 Club Weekend

All who attended greatly enjoyed the Weekend. It was agreed that the experiment should be repeated, perhaps in the Spring next year. Pat would find out if the Moray House accommodation were available. There was also the possibility of staying at Ardenbeg, at Grantown, if this fitted in with any local events. Possible events to organise the weekend around were on 1 April, at Fleet Forest (to fit in, maybe, with a rumoured new outdoor centre near Clatteringshaws Loch), or perhaps 4 March or 3 June (these being Scotlandsgaloppen event dates). Easter (i.e. JK) would be on 13-16 April. Charlie would check venues.

7 Juniors

Pat said he thought mention should be made of the selection of Gordon and Ynske Riemersma, Gail Balfour, Anthony Squire, and Anita Sinclair for the LBOA Team which won the Inter-Area Championships at the MAROC event on 24 September. Gordon and Ynske were selected for the Scottish team which competed in the Junior Home International.

8 Mapping

There was nothing to report.

9 LBOA

The Annual General Meeting was to be held on 7 November in the Southsider at 8 p.m..

10 Socials

A Beerienteering event had been held at Bannerman's Bar in the Cowgate on 19 October. It took the form of a Team Score event, using a contour-only map of the centre of Edinburgh. Not many people went, but those that did enjoyed it. Thanks were due to Andrew Bankhead for the idea.

A Hallowe'en Party would be held on 31 October at 116 Marchmont Road. There would be the usual games. Lucy wanted to know rough numbers, and asked people coming to bring a turnip lantern.

A Beer and Skittles evening would be held at The Sheep's Heid on 30 November. The Club had been challenged by EUOC, so all were encouraged to come to uphold the Club's honour.

11 A.O.B.

The LBOA trophies had not yet been presented; this would probably happen at the ESOC Badge Event.

Our entry for the 1990 CompassSport Cup had been sent off.

The use of extra description sheets at events (as described in Section 4.6 of the Minutes of the last Meeting) would be considered at future events.

Four Club members, Pat, Ian, Lorna and Carol Boyd were in the SOA Team which competed at the Senior Home International Championships on 21-22 October.

Charlie attended the SOA Competitions Conference on 21 October.

Janet McClean was planning a Club trip to the Swedish O-Ringen, near Göteborg, on 19-26 July 1990.

The next Meeting would be held on Monday 11 December at 3 Charlton Grove, Roslin.

The Meeting closed at 11.05.