FIRST COMMITTEE MEETING, SIXTEENTH YEAR

8 p.m., Monday 17 June 1991, at 3 Charlton Grove, Roslin

Present:

Andrew Bankhead, John Barrow, Pakit Hyman, Colin Inverarity, Eva Riemersma, Ynske Riemersma, Jane Smith, Pat Squire, Charlie Walton

1 Introduction

For the benefit of the new members of the Committee, Charlie gave a brief summary of how Committee Meetings were conducted, and their frequency.

2 Adoption of Minutes of Meeting of 10 April

Under Section 3.1, "Equipment", "Pat reported" should read "It was reported".

Under Section 4.3, "Summer Series", "Pat reported" should read "It was reported".

Under Section 8, delete the words " (since he was a qualified coach)".

With these amendments, the Minutes were adopted as a true record.

3 Secretary's Report

Letters had been sent to Headteachers and Heads of P.E. Departments at those schools which the Club's successful Juniors attended. Ynske mentioned that the recent issue of the Boroughmuir school newsletter had included mention of her and Gordon's achievements.

Several papers had been received from BOF, including a questionnaire on Land Use and a report from the Mapping Committee.

Three letters from Club Juniors were submitted at the Meeting, asking if there was any possibility of the Club sponsoring the authors in their overseas trips in the summer. Consideration of these letters was held over until the appropriate Agenda item.

AGM papers had been received from the SOA.

4 Treasurer's Report

Jane mentioned that the Club's bank account would be used as a temporary clearing house for money connected with the SOA Championships.

No money had yet been forthcoming from EUOC for the Archerfield maps used for Lothian O-League event 5 held in February.

The Club's Auditor had queried the amount of interest earned on the new Treasurer's Account, and suggested that confirmation that such interest was tax-exempt should be sought from the bank. Pakit said he would also check the situation with a Chartered Accountant he knew.

The bill for the use of Woodlands at the Club Weekend in 1990 had been received and paid.

5 Equipment

Two designs for cloth badges were being prepared. Once a decision on which to accept had been made, an order for a stock of at least 100 would be submitted.

6 Events

6.1 BOF Relays 1991 - 5 May

The Open Team had won the Championships, to great acclaim from members present at the event. 6 other Club teams had also competed in various classes.

6.2 SOA Championships 1991 - 8 June

Charlie reported that most comments he heard had been favourable; in particular the Swedish team found the event quite satisfactory. Most matters had been tidied up after the event. A draft version of the Results would be available in a couple of days, but the calculation of Badge times was proving to be difficult. ESOC were coordinating the final production.

Charlie said that he wanted to record his thanks to all Club members who helped at the event, particularly the major Officials. A special mention had to be made of Graham McIntyre, who among many other things oversaw the use of the computer which recorded finishing times and calculated and printed results on the day. Charlie felt it would be appropriate if this effort were to be especially marked, perhaps by a presentation of a bottle of good whisky. Pakit said he would be able to acquire one, and would be happy to be re-imbursed later from Club funds.

The situation on the finances was that any profit would be retained by the Club, while the responsibility for any loss would be negotiable with the SOA.

6.3 SOA Relays 1991 - 9 June

7 Club teams participated in this event. The entry fees were still to be paid.

6.4 Summer Series - 8 May

All went well on the evening. A healthy profit was made which would be donated to the Club Juniors going on overseas tours in the Summer. The levy was still to be paid (based on entry fee income), although this would not be required until the end of the year. Pat was thanked for organising the event.

6.5 Southern Uplands '91 - Day 5 (9 August)

Jane Smith had been in touch with the Day Organiser, Graham McFadyen of STAG. Four Clubs were to be involved on the day, with Interløpers being responsible for the Starts. It seemed that about 8 people, together with 2 or 3 for the Wayfarers, would be needed. It was recommended that any Club competitors should have either all early or all late start times.

6.6 Harvester Trophy - 1 September

Pakit mentioned that he had the names of 5 definite Club members willing to form a team. There was a possibility of two more (Andy Kitchen, and Gordon Riemersma if he were in the country at the time). A new headlamp would be a useful acquisition, provided it was from the middle price range (those requiring halogen lamps). Pakit would consult Rudolph Riemersma to check the suitability of his lamp. If it were

necessary to buy one, then the Club would pay for it. Its purchase would be advertised in the newsletter, and it would be available for loan after the event. It was also suggested that owners of headlamps, if they so wished, could tell the Equipment Officer that theirs might also be available for borrowing. The entry fee for the event would be paid by the Club.

6.7 LBOA Inter-Club Championships - 23 June

After some discussion, it was not considered to be worth the effort to try to enter a team for this event.

6.8 Club Championships

Anthony Squire had indicated his willingness to organise this event. After some discussion, it was agreed to try to arrange it for a Saturday afternoon, probably 17 August, preferably at Beecraigs. It was suggested that the Club could reserve a barbecue site. The details could be checked with John Biggar. These suggestions would be put to Anthony, and the final agreement would be advertised in the next issue of the newsletter.

6.9 14-person Relay - 8 September

Entries for this event were due by 25 August, with an entry fee of £14 per team. It was agreed to try to raise a team, through the newsletter, and John would coordinate the entries.

7 LBOA

Pat reported on proceedings at the Meeting of the LBOA Committee on 6 June.

It had been suggested that a cumulative Club competition could be run in conjunction with the O-League, and a pilot scheme would be organised during the 1991-92 series.

Beginning with the 1991-92 series, participants running in CompasSport Cup matches at O-League events would have to indicate at Registration if they wished to run competitively in the O-League itself. In general, all competitors were considered for points.

The Area Championships would be held on 17 November at Glentress.

A Coaching Clinic was to be held on 7 July, at which a Swedish Coach would be present. Those interested should contact Donald Wallace.

WFO had indicated their willingness to stage Event 5 next February, probably at Tentsmuir, possibly in conjunction with St. Andrews UOC. Accordingly, Interløpers' event would now be the seventh, preferably on 5 April. The full programme for 1991-92 was now:

13/20 October	Roxburgh Reivers
10 November	HW/EUOC
8 December	LINOC
12 January	ELO
9/16 February	WFO
8 March	ESOC
5 April	INT

8 Newsletter

It was agreed that an issue should appear before the end of term, and a copy date of 23 June was set. There were some suggestions on copying, and several avenues would be investigated. John agreed to provide address labels.

The following issue would appear in the Autumn.

9 Socials

The Club Championships had already been discussed, and would be held on 17 August.

A suggestion for a contour-only event in the city was made. Pakit said he had a copy of an 1815 map of Edinburgh which might be suitable. Other suggestions were for a Hallowe'en street event, or maybe to go on the tour of the City Chambers. It was noted that Megabowl evenings were usually well supported. Some other ideas were floated, including a car treasure hunt (which would be more suitable for late spring/early summer next year).

10 Club Weekend

It was agreed that this event should be repeated, and the weekend of 20-22 September was chosen. There was a Badge event at Anagach on the Sunday. It was also agreed that accommodation at Woodlands should be sought again. Pakit mentioned that some suitable accommodation in Grantown would be available if needed.

11 Training

It was agreed that a repeat booking of the Moray House gym should be sought for the Autumn term, at the same time (6 pm on Wednesdays).

12 Juniors

Ynske mentioned that she and Gail Balfour had so far raised about £180 towards the cost of their overseas trips in the Summer. She promised to write an article for the newsletter.

There followed a discussion of the various tours abroad which Club Juniors were making this year. The letters referred to in the Secretary's Report were read out. The profit from the Summer Series event on 8 May amounted to about £60, and it was also agreed to sponsor each member from general Club funds. As a result of the discussion, it was agreed to contribute £70 towards each Junior on the Finland tour, while £35 would be given to Anthony Squire towards his tour.

As an aside, the question of any profit from this Summer's 6-Day event was raised. It was realised that any such sum would be relatively small, in comparison with that received from the 1989 event, and in any case the Club's contribution to the organisation was correspondingly smaller this year.

13 A.O.B.

Pakit initiated a discussion on the relative merits of members joining Interløpers, although they might not be resident in or around Edinburgh, but who still preferred this Club because of its competitive attractions. It was pointed out that Interløpers was an Open Club and, while there was a lot to be said for joining a local Club, anyone was free to join the Club of his/her choice.

A survey questionnaire received recently from BOF could be completed at a later date.

The next Meeting would be held at 8 pm on Monday 19 August 1991 at 3 Heriot Hill Terrace, Edinburgh.

The Meeting closed at 11.10 pm.