

MINUTES OF IOA FACE TO FACE MEETING, SUNDAY 13TH DEC 2015

Attendees:

Paul O'Sullivan-Hourihan
(Chairperson)

Finn van Gelderen (Communications
Officer),

Darren Burke (High Performance),

Fergal Buckley (Fixtures & Hon.
Secretary) ,

Sarah Ní Ruairc (Treasurer),

Andrew Cox (Development Officer),

Stuart Scott (Mapping Registrar),

Barbara Foley-Fisher (Child Protection
Officer),

Aine Joyce (Minute Secretary)

Apologies:

Eoin Browne (Director of Orienteering
Education)

Harold White (Technical Standards)

Mike Long (Junior Representative)

Agenda

1. **Minutes of previous meetings**
2. **Matters arising**
3. **Officer Reports (brief)**
4. **Child protection update**
5. **Children's Officer requirement for NGB**
6. **Governance & Budgetary requirements for officers**
7. **Link from schools orienteering to regular events**
8. **Website + Online registration update**
9. **World Orienteering Day**
10. **A.O.B**

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| The minutes of the two previous meeting were approved. | AJ to place on website |
| FVG read the coaching report to the meeting, see appendix for copy. The technical report was emailed to the committee on 9/12/15, see appendix. | |
| Arising from the previous minutes was a question about the status of unapproved 'Tutors'. AJ to put on agenda for next meeting. | AJ |
| <p>Child Protection:</p> <p>Barbara Foley-Fisher updated the committee on the current state of Child Protection legislation and IOA compliance.</p> <p>It was decided to email all clubs to update them on changes in legislation, roles and training.</p> <p>It was also decided that as part of affiliation to the IOA, certificates of attendance will be requested for Child Protection roles in all clubs.</p> <p>Garda Vetting to be completed for Club Designated Liaison Person and Children's Officer</p> <p>All committee members should be Garda Vetted</p> <p>The new IOA National Children's Officer is Darren Burke. He will do the additional training required. This role is to be added to Constitution and put as motion to the AGM in May 2016</p> <p>An IOA Safeguarding Statement is to be written</p> <p>The Code of Ethics Policy of the IOA is to be updated</p> | <p>PO'S-H and FVG</p> <p>AJ</p> <p>PO'S-H, BFF</p> <p>Committee</p> <p>DB AJ</p> <p>BFF, PO'S-H , FVG</p> <p>BFF, PO'S-H, FVG</p> |
| <p>High Performance:</p> <p>Currently working on WUOC selection policy and team manager. The selection policy for WOC will be in place by the end of Jan 2016</p> | DB |
| <p>Mapping Registrar:</p> <p>The LiDAR for Carlingford is not yet flown and is expected to be done in March 2016. The question of what LiDAR budget remains was asked. Mapping Registrar and Treasure to investigate.</p> <p>See LiDAR presentation by Pat Healy in Nov 2014 on IOA website for information about areas where LiDAR is already available</p> <p>http://www.orienteering.ie/computers-in-orienteering-seminar-nov-2014</p> <p>Register of Mappers to be created</p> | <p>SS, SNR</p> <p>SS</p> |

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| Mapping Registrar to email clubs to identify their areas of interest for future mapping | SS |
| 'Mapping updates' course to be run in Wicklow next year | SS |
| Using Viewranger as an means of making Orienteering maps available. To be put on addenda for next meeting. | AJ |
| Development: | |
| Further discussion is to take place on the link from Schools Orienteering to Club Events and the Junior Squad at the next meeting. AJ to place on agenda. | AJ |
| Fixtures and Hon. Secretary: | |
| Currently looking at the IOA Constitution with regard to Governance issues. | |
| Treasurer: | |
| Budget is expected to breakeven at year end. | |
| Payments System: The Bank of Ireland online banking is less convenient for non-Eurozone payments than Fexco. So we are reverting to using Fexco for non-eurozone payments. The Treasurer will investigate other options. | SNR |
| Communications Officer: | |
| Finn has just finished recording an interview with Nick and Niamh. | |
| The Coillte plan has been delivered on time. | |
| AJ to email current Governance policy to committee | AJ |
| Website: Further theme and style changes are planned | |
| The Event Registration System is awaiting a specification from the Webmaster | |
| World Orienteering day: The IOF have designated May 11 th World Orienteering day, it is a Wednesday. The Chair and Vice Chair will be in touch with clubs regarding this event | PO'S-H, FVG |
| Governance issues to be discussed at next meeting. AJ to put on agenda. | AJ |
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Appendices:

TECHNICAL REPORT

As I am unable to make the FTF meeting, I give a brief outline of my current activities.

Conferences/Workshops

30 January Major Events Conference

12 March Controllers Course

Both to be held at Maldron Hotel Portlaoise

Autumn Planners Course

Sept - Dec major Events Conference I would like to have this in the latter part of the year to give the organisers of the major events in the following year enough time to benefit from the content.

Rules etc.

Drafting a new Guideline for Colour Course events that I hope to publish in draft form in January for discussion.

Maybe partially changing the Championship Relay Guideline (No 4) following comment about gaffling at IOC 2015. This is a topic for the ME Conference in January where I will be proposing introducing gaffling or forking as described by IOF to the Open Premier class. No other classes seem to need forking.

Review of Guidelines for Long Distance, Middle Distance, and Sprint Guidelines in the light of recent experience and the survey of the 60 plus age group on the Long Distance Guideline.

Regards

Harold

COACHING REPORT

A second pilot course for The Orienteering Instructor Award was run in Larch Hill last October. Seven teachers and outdoor instructors attended the course, these candidates must now complete their logbook requirement before they can attend for assessment as an orienteering instructor. Following this second pilot course The Orienteering Instructor Award has been approved by Coaching Ireland as a Level 1 Instructor award on the Adventure Sport Framework.

I am now working with Finn to update the education section of the website to publicise the instructor award and the Ability Awards that have been developed to support it. The pilot courses were advertised by word of mouth, when the website is updated it will have a calendar of courses for the next few months.

Currently I am the only tutor approved to deliver this course, I am keen to bring more tutors on board however this is a long process as tutors must be experienced

instructors and complete tutor training with Coaching Ireland. Kevin O'Callaghan, who is a qualified tutor through Canoeing Ireland, has assisted in delivering the pilot courses and will shortly be approved to deliver the Orienteering award. Tutor training will take place over a number of weekends starting next October and I am hopeful that we will have a number of candidates.

The IOA was contacted last February to deliver an Orienteering skills course for the Defence Forces. The course went ahead last October for 25 students. It provided a comprehensive introduction to the sport over four and a half days. Based out of the Curragh we ran a wide variety of training exercises and competitions covering all aspects of the sport from simple line events around the Curragh camp to an open mountain event in Glenreemore. Feedback from the course was very encouraging and we have been asked to deliver two more courses in 2016.

I would like to acknowledge the support of Pat Healy, CNOC, Setanta and GEN who supplied maps and equipment to make the training possible.

Eoin Browne

Director of Orienteering Education