MOLE VALLEY ORIENTEERING CLUB



(affiliated to the British Orienteering Federation)

NOTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING - Thursday 29th November 2018

Held at 24 Groveside, Great Bookham KT23 4LD

1. **Apologies for absence**

Apologies - Tony Schofield, Dan Sullivan, Dianne O'Donoghue

Attendance – Deborah Sullivan, Tony Burton, Bill Alexander (to Item 6), Mike Elliot, Mike Bolton, Philip Gristwood, Leianne Upton, Ian Roberts, George Engelhardt, Peter Martin, Tim Scarbrough

2. Co-options and appointments

Tim Scarbrough was co-opted to the Committee

Tim Scarbrough was appointed Chair designate

Deborah Sullivan indicated her willingness to continue as a Committee member

3. Notes of meeting of 7th September 2018

Agreed

4. Matters arising not otherwise on the agenda

It was agreed to post Notes of Committee meetings online (ACTION – DS)

It was confirmed we are now corporate members of Surrey Wildlife Trust and should flag this on the website home page (ACTION - DS).

5. Bursar's report

Bill reported a continuing healthy bank balance and an expected surplus from the recent night event. The club had also received an outstanding payment from the Amazon commission via the website. Bill would be approaching people to inspect the next accounts

6. **Mole Development**

Peter introduced the main aspects of the development report. It was confirmed that a Mole Valley Ladies whatsapp group would be established to offer support. Nonsuch, Beddington Park and Nork were identified as the best candidates for a summer evening series and this highlighted the merit of updating some of the smaller "park" maps. The Committee reaffirmed the view that Xplorer had a separate identity to orienteering and was unlikely to provide an effective pathway into the sport. It was also reminded of the challenge of securing Clubmark and that there was less encouragement for this from external bodies than previously.

It was agreed to explore a new Mole O-top with a more contemporary design. Peter and Tim/Sarah agreed to develop a proposal and Philip volunteered to secure an estimate of costs (ACTION – PM, TS, PG)

7. **POC update**

A design for the new POC posts was agreed (ACTION – PG)

Tony reported on the replacement POC to be installed in Beddington Park and a new POC at Nork Park, which would be guided by a Mole volunteer on installation (ACTION – TB)

It was agreed to prioritise the maintenance of the other POCs, with Horton Country Park as a priority (ACTION – TB) Ian reported that Ranmore and Norbury Park (except control 7) were in good health and Peter reported Nonsuch was also complete

Mike E reported interest from 135 Squadron Topo in supporting the club

8. Fixtures

Tony presented the latest Mole Fixtures and sought advice on filling key volunteer roles. The Mole Fixtures was updated during discussion and plans for major events in 2021 were confirmed.

9. **Membership**

Mike B reported on four new members. A comparison with other SEOA clubs using new British Orienteering data was encouraging on both membership and events.

10. **Mapping report**

Mike E had nothing to report

11. SEOA/BOF

No discussion.

12. AOB

A vote of thanks to Deborah for her service as Chair was passed unanimously

13.

Date of next meeting This was agreed for a Thursday in March 2019