



MOLE VALLEY MAP AND COMPASS FOOT RACING SOCIETY

(affiliated to British Orienteering)

Constitution

(including amendments up to and including those approved at the 2016 AGM)

1. The Society shall be called “The Mole Valley Map and Compass Foot Racing Society”. The object of the Society shall be to promote map and compass foot racing for all. It shall normally be referred to as “Mole Valley Orienteering Club”.
2. The affairs of the Society shall be conducted by a Committee which shall consist of a Master, a Bursar, a Clerk, a Mapping Co-ordinator, a Fixtures Secretary, a Club Captain and a Membership Secretary plus other ordinary members as elected by members of the Society at a General Meeting. The Committee shall have the power to co-opt members of the Society. Ordinary members may not serve for more than three years consecutively.
3. The Society shall be affiliated to the British Orienteering Federation. Membership of the Society shall be open to all persons and groups on payment of the annual subscription and provided they comply with the constitution and adopted policies of the Society. The subscription and categories of Society membership shall be agreed annually at a Committee meeting. Members of the British Orienteering Federation shall normally pay the Society, South East Orienteering Association and British Orienteering Federation subscriptions directly to the British Orienteering Federation. Membership fees are payable annually by the first of January.
4. All members of the Society present at General Meetings of the Society have the right to vote. The Master shall have the votes of members of the Society not present at General Meetings of the South Eastern Orienteering Association; failing the Master, the Bursar, or failing them, the Clerk shall have the votes.
5. The Society shall from time to time organise map and compass foot racing events. The Society may present teams for map and compass foot races; the Master may invite members to enter on behalf of the Society.
6. The Bursar shall keep the funds of the Society and, after independent inspection, present accounts at the Annual General Meeting, or when called upon within one month’s notice by the Committee or the Society. Cheques drawn against the Society shall be signed by the Bursar or, in the Bursar’s absence, the previously nominated member of the Committee up to a maximum amount authorised by the Committee from time to time. Cheques in excess of the authorised amount will require the signature of two authorised members of the Committee. The financial year shall commence as near as practicable to 1 July as determined by the Bursar. The property and funds of the Club cannot be used for the direct or indirect private benefit of members other than as reasonably allowed by the Constitution and all surplus income or profits are to be reinvested in the Club or used for the development of orienteering in the wider community.
7. The Clerk shall call the Annual General Meeting during the third quarter of the year and an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Society at the request of the Committee or at least one third of the members of the Society. The Clerk shall give at least two weeks notice of a General Meeting. Decisions shall be made by a simple majority vote of those present. The Clerk shall arrange for a record to be kept of transactions of the Society and of the performance of members in races.
8. This constitution shall only be altered at a General Meeting by a two-thirds majority, and provided that the amendment is proposed in writing to the Clerk at least one month in advance of the Meeting. The amendment is to be given with notice of the General Meeting.
9. The Society’s colours shall be black.

August 2016, Tony Burton (Clerk)