



TVOC Club Meeting Agenda with Actions from previous Minutes

Held at 8:00pm on Tuesday 21st January 2020 at The Merry Bells, Wheatley

Present: Neville Baker (Chair), Martin Ricketts (Treasurer), John Dalton (Secretary, Minutes), Mark Thompson, Marie-Anne Fischer (Membership Secretary)

Apologies for absence: Bob Beresford, Alun Jones, Yvonne Hodson, Chris Poole

1. Matters Arising from previous Club Meeting

a) Junior TVOC Representative

ACTION John to contact Joel to accept these offers, and suggest he takes over from Fiona Bunn as the TVOC Junior Representative. **ACTION COMPLETE**

b) TVOC Membership information to be printed on TVOC maps

ACTION: Neville to talk to Mike Shires to see if a simple JPEG file about membership can be provided to mappers to position wherever possible on their OCAD maps. This to be done for the Saturday Series and Oxford Street Series of events. **ACTION CARRIED OVER**

c) Volunteering group to help encourage more volunteers.

It was agreed to postpone this until Communications were resolved – see later. **ACTION CARRIED OVER**

d) Splitting Saturday Series Coordinator role.

It was agreed that the size of the events required more than one co-ordinator, and the following plan was agreed:

1. Series Co-ordinator – to sort out dates and overall programme - Nev offered to do this
2. Planning Co-ordinator/Mentor – to find event planners and encourage/mentor new planners
3. Event Co-ordinator/Mentor – to find event organisers and encourage/mentor new organisers

The following was discussed:

- For now, Nev is taking on roles 1. and 3. above himself
- Nev believes a member of the club is considering taking at least role 1. above on a more permanent basis. **ACTION:** Nev to confirm
- Mark Thompson reinforced his previous offer to assist any potential Planner in any way he can

e) Clothing (Heidi Lloyd)

Heidi wanted to get a TVOC e-mail (rather than her personal one) for the clothing sales. It was suggested we set up clothing@tvoc.org.uk on the web site.

ACTION: John Dalton to check with Heidi that she has contacted Steve Stone to get this set up. **ACTION COMPLETE**

2. Representation at, and support for SCOA by TVOC

Concern has been expressed that there has been little TVOC representation at SCOA meeting recently. This may lead to the impression of some distance growing between the TVOC and the region. TVOC may not be contributing to discussions at a regional level, nor be informed about issues. Can this be situation be rectified?

It was noted that TVOC Member, Richard Sharp is not able to attend every SCOA meeting. However, Richard attends as SCOA Fixtures Secretary, and not as TVOC Club Representative.

Jon Wheatcroft offered to become TVOC Representative at SCOA meetings. This offer was gratefully accepted.

ACTION: John Dalton to inform SCOA. (**ACTION NOW COMPLETE**)

3. Recent Club Successes

Nigel Bunn (M55) and Neville Baker (M60) have been selected for the England team for the Interland competition taking place at Burnham Beeches on March 1st.



Southern Championships 2019, Forest of Dean in December

- 1st W20E Bethany Kippin
- 1st W80 Jenny Thompson
- 1st M65 Nev Baker
- 2nd M65 Alun Jones
- 2nd M55 Nigel Bunn
- 2nd M40 Jan Travnicek
- 2nd M70 Martin Ricketts
- 3rd M12 Nathan Taylor
- 3rd M80 John Thompson

Amy Charlton: Navigation Challenge ****

Carys Sharp Racing Challenge: Gold Award *****, Racing Challenge: Silver Award *****,
Racing Challenge: Bronze Award *****, Navigation Challenge *****

Jenny Thompson Racing Challenge: Bronze Award *****

Celia Kingham Navigation Challenge **

4. Past Events

a) Thame Urban Event (Sunday 1st September 2019. Urban, Level C, UKUL and SEOUL League event)

1. Course 6/Red was recommended for families, but it needed text control descriptions, as well as pictorial ones. Planners should note this.

NOTE: THIS WAS CAUSED BY AN ISSUE AT THE PRINTERS.

2. We don't have enough SIAC cards for a big event and borrowed some from BOK and SO for Thame.
ACTION: John Dalton to discuss with Alun Jones. ACTION COMPLETE

It was noted that the Saturday Series Planner Guidelines still refer to EMIT.

ACTION: Robin Bishop offered to upgrade these to refer to SIAC. ACTION CARRIED OVER

b) From Previous Meeting

Emergency Radios: Neville has started to test the new radios. Performance was poor an urban area.

ACTION: Neville to test in woods and if successful, purchase another 2 (making 4) before the Hambleden event

5. Future Events: see <http://tinyurl.com/TVOC-plans>

NOTE: The meeting should now be reviewing newly appointed Planners and Controllers for Level C events. (Level B events are reviewed by SCOA).

SEE APPENDIX FOR FULL DETAILS OF ALL EVENTS CURRENTLY PLANNED

6. Saturday Series (Neville Baker)

Neville reported that we have events scheduled for 2020 now. We have events lining up in Penn, Park Wood, Cuttesslowe and Kingswood.

A question was asked about how the money and accounts for the Saturday Series is now to be handled.

ACTION: Martin Ricketts to contact Nat to confirm

A discussion was had about whether the Organiser and Planner roles needed to be split. Mark Thompson commented that it was very helpful for him to focus on planning an event, and have someone else organise necessary infrastructure (e.g. toilets).

7. Summer Series 2020 (Chris Poole)

Nothing to report



8. Oxford Street Series (Robin Bishop)

Nothing to report

9. Other Mapping Topics

a) The availability of the most recent TVOC maps in a Dropbox location was suggested.

ACTION CARRIED OVER: Neville to raise with John Farren

ACTION CARRIED OVER: Robin to consider how this could be done as Dropbox had limited free storage

b) The availability of Chiltern AONB LIDAR data (Mark Thompson)

A discussion was had about the potential use of newly-created LIDAR data produced using money from the National Heritage Fund. The LIDAR survey covers the whole of the Chilterns AONB.

This data covers all our mapped areas, plus some BKO and HH areas. Currently only DTM data is available, and this limits somewhat the value to orienteering mapping. We prefer to have DSM data, too. OCAD can handle orienteering needs directly from the raw data.

Unfortunately, the data cannot currently be used for anything other than the purpose it was created for. This is to assist in archaeological surveys.

It is possible that a negotiation could be conducted to use the data, and share our orienteering maps as part of the contribution to archaeological survey.

Andrew Chalmers has attended one formal training session to use this software. He plans to determine whether some sort of arrangement can be arrived at when he attends a second training session.

10. Officers Reports

a) Chairman:

- The Chairman is required to stand down at the next AGM

b) Treasurer:

- Thame event produced a surplus of about £1,050
- Wendover event also produced a surplus of about £1,050

c) Secretary:

- Nothing further

d) Captain:

- Nothing further

e) Membership Secretary:

- 2020 Renewals are coming in well
- We have new members coming on board, too

11. Situations Vacant or Becoming Vacant

Role	Previous Holder	Comments
Team Leader, Registration and Results	Alun Jones	Still no progress on finding someone to take this post on. For now, the Registration team are agreeing amongst themselves who is taking a lead for the team for each event.
Chairman	Currently Nev Baker	Required to stand down at next AGM

12. Any Other Business

a) Permanent Orienteering Course at Keep Hill and Deangarden Woods (John Dalton)

Now we have a new map of Deangarden and Keep Hill, we need to work to produce a new Permanent Orienteering course in association with Chiltern Rangers.



Bob Beresford has kindly offered to review the old course and visit the area using the new map to consider how a new course could be designed. **ACTION:** John Dalton to continue to liaise with Bob Beresford.

b) Proposal by Alun Jones to spend ~£200 (email 13 Jan), on new battery and on cases for SIACs (Alun Jones)

THIS WAS AGREED

13. Date of next meeting:

Next Club Meeting to confirmed as 8pm on Tuesday 17th March 2020 at The Merry Bells, Wheatley.



APPENDIX 1: Future Events

Changes and additions since the previous version of the Minutes are shown in red.

2020

a) Hambleden (British Nights, Saturday 22nd February 2020, Level A).

Organiser: John Dalton, **Planner:** Neville Baker, **Controller:** Alan Rosen (HH), **Mapper:** Mark Thompson and John Farren.

And

b) Hambleden (Chiltern Challenge, Sunday 23rd February 2020, Level B).

Organiser: John Dalton, **Planner:** Neville Baker, **Controller:** Alan Rosen (HH), **Mapper:** Mark Thompson and John Farren.

Neville confirmed all officials have been authorised

General Comments

- All generally under control
- A question was asked about the role BOF are playing in this event. **ACTION:** JD to review BOF web site to confirm

Map:

Hambleden mapping completed by Mark Thompson and John Farren following final checks in December/January

c) Wycombe Abbey, Keep Hill and Deangarden (Sunday 19th April 2020 confirmed., Level C)

Organiser: Neville Baker (with assistance from Sue Jones). **Planner:** Nat Skidmore.

Controller: Freya Askham (SMOC). **Mapper:** Jegor

Permission has been obtained by Chiltern rangers to access Keep Hill and Deangarden Woods.

Permission obtained via Sue Jones for use of the school

Parking to be in public car parks in High Wycombe. (Helpers park at school).

Start and Finish to be in school

Map:

Deangarden and Keep Hill map complete. Wycombe Abbey school section believed to be complete

d) Abingdon South Urban Event (Sunday 28th June 2020 tbc, Level C, Believed to be a SEOUL event)

Organiser: tbc, **Planner:** tbc, **Controller:** tbc, **Mapper:** Fiona Bunn

Map:

Already completed by Fiona Bunn

e) Witney. (Sunday 27th September 2020, Level C, UKUL and SEUOL event)

Organiser: tbc. **Planner:** Ben Green. **Controller:** tbc. **Mapper:** Martin Ricketts.

John Dalton has provisional permission for an indoor event centre

Map: Martin Ricketts is currently mapping the area. First map expected to be available over Easter

f) Shotover (Sunday 22nd November 2020, Level C, SCOL)

Organiser: tbc. **Planner:** tbc. **Controller:** tbc. **Mapper:** tbc.

Map:

ACTION: Neville to consider

Martin Ricketts was the last person to update the map. Significant work is currently underway in the woods.



2021

g) Options for an event on Sunday January 3rd 2021 would be considered after suggestions it might be a good 'end of Christmas/New Year holiday' event.

ACTION: Neville to consider

h) Chiltern Challenge 2021 (Sunday 28th February, High Wycombe area)

Organiser: tbc. **Planner:** tbc. **Controller:** tbc. **Mapper:** tbc.

Nettebed / Bix (preferred due to ease of parking)

Christmas Common as a possible alternative if parking is suitable

NOTE: Sue Ryder has announced that their care home at Nettlebed will close in March 2020. This is likely to take our usual car parking away from us.

i) Level C forest event

Organiser: tbc. **Planner:** tbc. **Controller:** tbc. **Mapper:** tbc.

j) Level C forest event

Organiser: tbc. **Planner:** tbc. **Controller:** tbc. **Mapper:** tbc.

k) Urban Event:

Organiser: tbc. **Planner:** tbc. **Controller:** tbc. **Mapper:** tbc