



TVOC Club Minutes: Tuesday 21st September 2021

Meeting held online at 7:30pm.

Present: Chris Poole (Chair), John Dalton (Secretary, minutes), Martin Ricketts (Treasurer), Neville Baker (Vice-chair), Heidi Lloyd, Jon Wheatcroft, Peter Riches, Pattie Beresford, Robin Bishop, Marie-Anne Fischer, Andrew Chalmers

Apologies for absence: Bob Beresford, Alun Jones

1. Matters Arising from previous Club Meeting

a) Coaching in TVOC (Chris Poole)

We should discuss how we move coaching forward within the club.

- How many more coaches do we need?.
- How do we set up sessions to develop club coaches?

We have had the SCOA funding from Joel **to train two adult club members as junior coaches in the coming year.**

Chris Poole said that there has been some interest expressed in this area. A further request was sent out in e-News about the need for more coaches now that funding is available.

Chris has not heard anything back on this at all.

Jon reported that the funding needs a bit more info to SCOA treasurer before it can be released. Would also be based on the Saturday Series restarting.

ACTION: Chris to talk to the Taylors about this.

b) Clothing (Heidi)

It was **AGREED**, despite the cost increase, that previous pricing would apply to club members, subject to confirmation by Treasurer that we have funds to support it.

Information on costs have been sent to Martin, Chris and John. Heidi is hoping to make an order after Witney event where people have one more chance to place orders. We do have people who are waiting for kit. People not yet in the zone for orienteering after the summer.

No concerns were raised by the Treasurer.

It was **AGREED** that Heidi can place an order after the Witney event.

c) Club Championships (Neville)

This will be: 31st October at the BADO Regional at Pamber Heath. The Planner has added an Orange course for us.

This event has been publicised in the last two e-News. And it is also on the news section of the TVOC web site.

Thanks for all who helped sort this out.

d) Return to Merry Bells for Club Meetings

We can go back to the Merry Bells if we wish to. A limit of 20 in the coffee room. The Wifi is intended for the main hall. We don't know if it works into the coffee room.

There was support for trying to make meetings available remotely as well as face-to-face. But this would need both good Wifi, and a desk-based conference microphone to ensure the people in the meeting room could be heard by the remote attendees.



There was an argument for continuing to hold meetings remotely. This saves time driving to the meeting. We also seem to be getting the same volume of work completed in remote meetings.

ACTION:

- Chris to ask the club about this via the e-News
- Further discussion then to be had

2. Arrangements for AGM (and Dinner?)

It is the club's intention to have a 50th Anniversary Dinner.

Two ex-members are planning to come to the Shotover event (Richard Lloyd-Hart and Graham Wheeler). We could invite others to attend. For example. Dave Bradnack.

We should also invite Alan Rosen and his wife, Janet, to any Annual Dinner that we organise this year

Neville thinks that we should revert back to an AGM and hold a dinner as previously held. If we are holding a dinner, we should try and invite as many previous members as possible. Can we suggest Thame Barns again.

Sue Buxton has generally organised the AGM dinner and location in the past.

Dates were suggested to be:

- After the November Classic
- On or before to 10th December

It was proposed that TVOC pays for founder members to attend.

ACTION: Chris to contact Sue Buxton to see if she can help.

Neville has a list of previous club members who we can consider inviting. Not just founder members.

ACTION: Neville to circulate this list.

3. Setting of TVOC Club membership fees for 2022

It has been proposed that these remain as currently set: £1 for an Adult, £2 for a Family, Free for Juniors. This was carried unanimously and supported by the Treasurer. This was **AGREED**.

ACTIONS:

- John Dalton will coordinate the Club submission to British Orienteering.
- Martin will pay the club membership fee to British Orienteering

4. Recent Club Successes

Welsh championships:

- Carys Sharp: 2nd in the W16 Middle Distance and 1st in the Long event
- Robin Bishop: 1st in M50 Middle Distance, and 2nd in the Long event

5. Past Events

None

6. 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



7. Saturday Series (Neville Baker)

A programme of dates has been prepared by Neville. These are dates that don't clash with other TVOC events or major events.

We did talk about splitting the role of Planner from Organiser in the past. This depends on who volunteers for the role. Less experienced people will need support.

The following dates are provisionally proposed for Saturday Series events:

2021

- 23OCT21
- 20NOV21

2022

- 15JAN22
- 19MAR22
- 14MAY22
- 25JUN22
- 09JUL22
- 20AUG22
- 15OCT22
- 19NOV22

Mark Thompson and Peter Riches offered to coordinate one each in 2022.

ACTION: Neville Baker to continue to coordinate the series.

8. Summer Series 2021 (Chris Poole)

Nothing to report.

9. Oxford Street Series (OSS) (Robin Bishop)

It is expected that Oxford will continue to be the main centre of gravity.

It was commented that the location of car parking is very helpful to include in event details for the Oxford area. Parking generally is easier after 6:30pm.

ACTION: Robin to ask Organisers to document parking options in event details in future.

Next event is being planned for the beginning of October.

10. Other Mapping Topics

a) Feedback from recent Mappers Meeting held 10th August (Bob Beresford)

The following were notes provided by Bob:

Decisions/Actions:

1. OCAD in the Cloud to be set up urgently – Martin – This impacts the decision on number of licences to buy when renewal is due in October. See below for update.
2. TVOC 'standard' map design/format – Andrew C
3. LiDAR data – remaining areas to be obtained from BotP - Bob (awaiting final data tranche)
4. Mapping programme should be driven by fixtures
 - a. Nettlebed – Martin has the LiDAR data for map update
 - b. Kingswood – Robin to remap with new LiDAR
 - c. Deangarden – Julian to remap with new LiDAR (he now has the data)
 - d. Coombe Hill – Andrew -investigating permissions etc – LiDAR available
 - e. Great Hampden – Bob/Mark – meeting held with Estate Manager, mapping plan agreed for CC 2022
 - f. Hambleton – John F/Mark – all data available – remap to start later in 2021



- g. Bradenham – Bob/Mark - all data available, priority lower.
- h. Hodgemoor – Julian – mapping complete
- 5. Electronic Map store – with John F – review of file names etc to be progressed
- 6. Safety - Mark – concern when mappers alone in forest – looking at options
- 7. LiDAR interpretation – Jim (with Mark) - will set up lecture on how to interpret LiDAR contours

b) Oxford City map

TVOC approached by OUOC re: a professional update of their City map for Oxford City race in Jan 2022. Bob and Pattie have discussed this with OUOC. Bob and Pattie are now updating the map for OUOC.

- c) The availability of the most recent TVOC maps in a Dropbox location to be centrally available as an archive or library was suggested.

Discussed in Mapper Meeting above

d) Upgrade of OCAD to Cloud version (Martein Ricketts)

Martin is waiting for an updated quote from OCAD for this upgrade. We currently have 7 licenses. However, we really only need 5 licenses in the future. The cost will be approximately £210 per license for three years, with no VAT.

UPDATE AFTER MEETING:

Martin subsequently confirmed that the cost is 270 CHF each so 1,350 CHF in total, about £1,070 for 3 years.

ACTION: Martin will make the payment and send an email to all mappers explaining this.

e) Mapping Priorities.

Discussed in mapper Meeting above

f) Volunteer mapper (Bob)

We have a volunteer mapper in Aylesbury who is keen to do some mapping. Bob has been in communication with her. The suggestion is that she looks to do a street map. Perhaps she can be encouraged to map an area of Aylesbury for a future Maprun event or even an urban event.

UPDATE: Bob has not heard anything back recently from her.

11. Officers Reports

a) Chairman:

Noting further

b) Treasurer:

No events since the last meeting. Is preparing the accounts. NT not presented their donation cheque yet, but promised they would.

c) Secretary:

Nothing further

d) Captain:

Nothing else to share

e) Membership Secretary:

Noting further

12. SCOA Report (Jon Wheatcroft)

SCOA League mugs for last year's league are with SCOA Treasurer, Martin Ricketts, but soon to be distributed.

SCOA League is running this year. Expect Shotover event in December to be included.



VHI weekend has been cancelled as a result of uncertainty about venues.

13. 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. No change.
Team Leader, Finish	Bill Child	Bill is now handing over this responsibility. He will do the Bradenham event. But this will be his last event. We do need to find someone to take over the finish Is there anyone on the Finish team that could take this over. UPDATE: Neville has one member he would like to raise this with at Witney.
Team Leader, Volunteer Pool		Neville suggested a team as a "Volunteer Pool" (with a Team Leader) who will not be needed at every event. That can be deployed for Road Crossings, perhaps Finish etc. Perhaps to include the current Finish team? New members to be allocated to the "Volunteer Pool" team? Nev believes that this is a good idea. Different events have different requirements. Having a people who can be allocated to where needed would be welcome. The Finish team could be provided from here when needed. ACTION: Nev to consider further.

Peter Riches suggested that people should be given the opportunity to shadow people in their roles (e.g. Organisers). We don't want people to be put off by the perception that they are difficult jobs.

14. Any Other Business

a) Location of Izettle device for clothing sales at Witney. (Heidi)

ACTION: Heidi to check with Alun Jones that he can bring it to the event.

b) Beaconsfield Scouts (Heidi).

It was suggested that Heidi advise Beaconsfield Scouts to come to a Saturday Series event. We can even set up a separate course for them. An alternative is to try to organise a Coach to set up an event at (say) Hodgemoor, nearby.

c) First Aid Courses (Chris and Marie-Anne)

We need to check and renew our First Aid certificates. Marie-Anne and Chris's will run out in November.

ACTION: Chris to look out for an appropriate 2-day outdoor First Aid course.

15. Date of next meeting:

Confirmed to be at the time of **7:30pm** on Tuesday 16th November 2021. Location of this meeting confirmed to be on-line and not at The Merry Bells, Wheatley.

APPENDIX 1: Future Events

Changes and additions since the previous meeting are shown in **red**.



2021

a) Witney. (Sunday 27th September, Urban event, Level C, SEOUL?)

Organiser: Neville Baker. **Planner:** Ben Green. **Controller:** Mark Foxwell (BKO). **Mapper:** Martin Ricketts.

Map:

Complete

All under control according to both Neville and Chris. 140 entries so far.

We decided not to have First Aid. Where should the First Aid kit to be sited? The Finish is manned. But people could be distracted here.

It was **AGREED** that First Aid Kit be kept at the SI Hire/Download location.

b) Shotover, 50th anniversary event (Sunday 19th December 2021)

Organiser: Gary Mills. **Planner:** Simon Ross. **Controller:** Neville Baker, **Mapper:** Martin Ricketts

Map:

In process of being updated by Martin. Some more work to be done. Updates will include the sports ground.

ACTION: Martin to send a map to Simon once Neville has forwarded email.

We have been contacted by Richard Lloyd Hart (who is himself in contact with Graham Wheeler). They are both trying to attend this event.

Neville reported that all was under control here. Simon Ross is local and very experienced in the past. Though he has not orienteered recently.

Momentos for finishers at the event were discussed:

- Robin and Marie-Anne have suggested a bandana which would have multiple uses. Robin demonstrated one. However, Marie-Anne cannot find a supplier. This can have a TVOC logo on it saying something like "TVOC 50 years 1971-2021"
- Alun Jones has proposed a metal water bottle, engraved with TVOC logo, at about £3.00 each to the club.
- A collapsible drinking cup was also suggested at about £4.80 without logo. Cups are not being provided at water stations at the moment.

Note that buffs are more expensive. See Running Imp who can print them for about £2.50.

Chris thought that a bandana gives more publicity to the event. These were all considered to be good suggestions. It was **AGREED** that we would pursue the bandana first, and, failing that, go with the water bottles.

ACTION: This was left with Marie-Anne and Robin to consider further and organise. A decision needs to be made over the next month.

2022

Neville reported the following updated list of events being proposed for 2022:

c) **Hodgemoor tbc. (Sunday 20FEB22, Regional, Level C)**

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

Map:

Already complete



d) Chiltern Challenge 2022, Whiteleaf and Great Hampden (Sunday 24APR22, National, Level B)
Organiser: tbc. **Planner:** One possible person being asked. **Controller:** David Frampton, HH. **Mapper:** Mark Thomson and Bob Berisford?

Map:

Meeting has been held with Estate Manager. Mapping plan agreed for CC 2022.

e) Abingdon Urban (Sunday 11SEP22, Regional, Level C?)

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

Map:

Already complete

f) Deangarden, Keep Hill and Wycombe Abbey School (Sunday 18DEC22 tbc., Regional, Level C?)

Organiser: Sue and Ian Buxton tbc. **Planner:** Nat Skidmore tbc. **Controller:** tbc. **Mapper:** Julian Birkinshaw

Map:

Julian Birkinshaw to remap with new Lidar data

2023

g) Wendover proposed tbc. Chiltern Challenge 2023 (Sunday 26FEB23, Level B)

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

Map:

Jim Prowting tbc.

Date confirmed by Neville Baker. However, Neville still has concerns about two big events so close to each other. Chiltern Challenge would then slip to either May, or possibly November at (say) Wendover. The feeling of the meeting that a full one month gap between the two events would be acceptable.

h) British Individual Championships, Saturday 25MAR23

It should be expected that TVOC helpers will be called on for this event.

i) Hambleden (British Relay Championships with SCOA, Sunday 26th March 2023.)

Organiser: Neville Baker proposed, tbc. **Planners:** Mark Thompson and Peter Riches proposed.

Controller: Michael Chopping, RAFO. **Mapper:** Mark Thompson/John Farren.

All officials for the BRC 2023 have met with the approval of the SCOA committee. So these names are approved by SCOA and are awaiting approval by British Orienteering.

We have landowner permission, with a contract in place with SCOA.

John Dalton offered to do all the landowner liaison work.

Map:

Mark and John Farren have updated the map for 2021. We now have all the LIDAR data for the area. John and Mark will update the map using LIDAR data during 2021.