



East Anglian Orienteering Association

Minutes of the **Annual General Meeting** held on 11th July 2010
at 13.30, Hylands Park, Chelmsford

Present: Caroline Louth (WAOC) Chairman, John T Ward (NOR) Treasurer, John J Ward (NOR), Paul Lowe (SUFFOC), Andrew Cordle (SOS), Tony Biggs (HAVOC), John Collyer (SOS), Jenny Collyer (SOS), Clive Tant (SOS), Julie Laver (SOS), Louise Walker (SUFFOC), Dave Skinner (SOS), Sally Wilkinson (SUFFOC), Bryn Wilkinson (SUFFOC), Sarah Mansel (SUFFOC), Andrew Elliot (SUFFOC), Nancy Powell Davies (SOS), Eddie Banks (SOS), Gary Wright (SOS), John Williams (SOS), Kevin Ellis (SOS)

Caroline Louth welcomed everyone to the meeting. She thanked SOS for hosting the meeting and staging an enjoyable event.

- 1. Apologies for absence:** Received from Barbara Fothergill, Paul Beckett, Keith Downing, Graham Louth, Bruce Marshall, Maria Marshall, Ursula Oxburgh, Hally Hardie, Lindsey Freeman, Chris Shaw.
- 2. Minutes of previous meeting:** The minutes of 2009 AGM previously circulated were agreed.
- 3. Matters arising:** There were none.
- 4. Chairman's Report:** Caroline thanked the region for hosting the Compass Sport Cup and Trophy qualifier this year. WAOC were delighted to win the Cup qualifier for the first time whilst SOS were runners up in the Trophy. She also commended SOS for hosting the EA Championships and Schools Championships. It has been recognised that the region needs to do more to promote the Schools Championships and to work more closely with the Regional Development Officers.

Caroline congratulated Lyn West (SOS) on becoming Chair of British Orienteering. She also highlighted that Jenny Collyer (SOS) came 1st in W65L at the JK.

The EA committee and representatives on national committees were thanked for their work. Likewise all the organisers, planners and controllers who have staged events in the region. It has been recognised nationally that East Anglia is an example of best practice in governance with excellent relationships between clubs and within the association.

5. Treasurer's Report:

The accounts for the 2009 year have been audited by Nancy Powell Davies; my thanks to her as usual for doing the job and also advising me on several points. EAOA made a small surplus of just under £350 in 2009, compared with one of over £1750 in 2008.

This was largely because there was no major event held by the Region in 2009, and because we have taken the decision to write-off the value of the large stock of Junior

Squad clothing, bought several years ago, which has sold only very slowly. This write-off of a total of nearly £2000 will take four years so will also affect future accounts.

Capitation increased by about £150 in 2009, despite the charge per head remaining unchanged, but event levy income reduced by a similar figure. Income from hire of SI to clubs was similar in 2009 to 2008, but involved higher costs. Expenditure on the Junior Squad and Junior Potential Squad almost doubled to £524. Most other expenses were little different from 2008, and there was no expenditure on capital equipment.

Due to a successful Compass Sport Cup match this year which yielded a surplus of £1036, and a good generation of income from event levies and SI hire to date, I am confident we will have a surplus in 2010.

I said a few years ago that our aim should be to increase our reserves by an average of about £1000 per year, and taking the figures for 2008 and 2009, together with those for 2006 and 2007, our average is £918. So we are gradually building up our reserves in readiness for the day when our largest asset, the SI equipment, needs replacing once again, and I see no need to increase capitation, event levies or SI charges this year.

The accounts were accepted unanimously by the meeting and Caroline thanked John and Nancy.

6 Election of Officers All officers indicated their willingness to continue in office for another year. There were no nominations for the position of vice chairman. The position remains vacant.

Other roles and members of committees and groups are by appointment; all holders agreed to continue in post.

The 2011 positions and holders are:

Position	Holder
Equipment Officer	Bruce Marshall
Junior Squad Coach	Richard Barker
Junior Squad Co-ordinator	Graham Louth
Webmaster	Helen Nisbet
Development committee	Caroline Louth
Coaching committee	Ursula Oxburgh
Rules Group	Andrew Cordle
Fixtures Group	Tony Biggs
Map Group	Robert Dove
Junior Competitions Group	Graham Louth
Senior Competitions Group	Ursula Oxburgh
Trail-O committee	Ann Braggins

- 7 Bill Stevens Trophy:** This was awarded to Richard Barker of SOS in recognition of his leadership and coaching of the East Anglian Junior Squad as well as his national contribution to selection and tour coaching. There was general appreciation of all that Richard has and continues to contribute to Junior Coaching.
- 8 East Anglian League:** Mugs were presented to the winners of each age group earlier in the year. The earlier presentation worked well and will be repeated next year. SUFFOC was presented with the 'Champion Club' banner for the following year.
- 9 Any other business:** There was no other business and the meeting closed at 14:10