**Minutes of MDOC Committee Meeting 10th July 2017**

**Present:** Eddie Speak(Chairman), Steve Dempsey (Treasurer), Sue Birkinshaw, Tony Wagg (Secretary), David Wathey, Trevor Hindle, Pete Lomas, Kath Speak, Julie Brook.

**Apologies:** Alan Ogden, Clare Griffin, Dave McCann, Ian Gilliver, Andrew Gregory, Pete Ross.

**1. Minutes of Last Meeting:**  Accepted

**2. Matters Arising/Actions:**

(a) Booking system for laptop housing OCAD 11. Action completed. To book the laptop you will email the booking system. There will be a spreadsheet. Details will be on the Club website under information for organisers and planners.

(b) Map paper has been ordered. We await 12,000 A3 sheets.

(c) British Middle Distance Champs 2020. The use of the Western part of the High Dam area is problematic because numbers would be limited by the presence of a SSSI. Hence a two day Twin Peaks including the champs may not work. The adjacent area of Summer House Knot is probably too small.

(d) South Park Macclesfield. The event took place as planned, with a good turnout.

(e) Matthew Fellbaum has thanked the Club for financial support for his international representation (JWOC etc).

(f) BOF survey on club development. See AOB below.

**3. Treasurer’s Report/ Finance:** The Treasurer submitted a report for June showing income from summer events and payments for levies and insurance. Tom Fellbaum has sent income from the British relays and National Trust donations relating to twin Peaks 2017 have been agreed. Loss for the year to date is about £1500, which is of no concern. The action to prepare a retrospective stand-alone account for TP2017 continues. **Action SD.**

**4. NWOA:** The British Champs were a success. Strong finances mean that clubs will receive payment for the work of their volunteers and BOF will receive a triple levy. Eddie has claimed for SI card hire but nothing has yet been received. We will also be paid £500 for temporary loss of use of High Dam. The NW Treasurer suggested that there should be a formula for loss of use compensation in the future. The final profit to NWOA will be roughly zero and any balance will go to the GB squad. The Lakes 5 Day in 2018 should provide a large income.

Trevor Roberts (Lakes 5 Treasurer 2018) has submitted a budget to yield a £28k profit, based on £16 per day fees and 1500 entrants. Askham Fell will be approached from the West and people will be bussed to Harrop Tarn from Grasmere.

PFO is organising a senior home international event at Hurst Wood in 2018. The 2018 British Schools still lacks a venue. Haigh Hall and Tockholes are possibilities.

Mike Hamilton’s suggestion (BOF CEO) of combining the JK and British Champs was not supported.

**5. High Capacity SI Cards:** Trevor Hindle reported that planning at the Birchwood urban event was restricted by the limited capacity of the type 5 and 8 SI cards that are much in use. Type 9 cards hold 50 as opposed to 36 and 30 punches. He suggested that the Club might buy perhaps 10 type 9’s (£37 each) to hire to those on longer urban courses. At the British, 42% had type 5 cards. Eddie agreed to investigate whether the Club hiring cards as and when required might be a better option than purchasing. **Action ES.**

**6. AOB:**

(a Birchwood Map (for 15th July urban). There remained an option to print at A3 or A4 sizes. The latter saves 15-20p per map.

(b) BOF development funding. BOF has obtained Sport England funding for their strategic plan and to support clubs to assist and maintain existing membership. A survey has been sent to clubs seeking views on how such funds are directed. Dave McCann has submitted a draft completion of the survey. Eddie will add any comments and then Tony Wagg will send it on to BOF. **Action ES and TW.**

(c) Membership Fees. There are no separate fees for students. Under 21 they pay a junior rate but all but the odd infant prodigy will have to pay the full adult rate at least in their third year. This in our case is £10 to BOF and £10 to the club but as collected by BOF in an inflexible on-line system. We could propose to the AGM that we could refund some or all of the club fee.

(d) Sam Drinkwater is organising an event on Saturday 23rd September, aimed at students and provisionally in the form of a two part sprint. The Club will assist as required.

**7. Date of next Meeting:** 11th September 2017, at the Ladybrook Hotel.