

MINUTES OF MDOC AGM OCTOBER 15TH 2020

Present: Rae Lomas, Pete Lomas, Julie Brook, Kath Speak, Eddie Speak, Peter Cull, Chris Rostron, John Britton, Peter Ross, Sue Birkinshaw, Dave Mawdsley, Tony Wagg, Marie Roberts, Alan Ogden, Trevor Roberts, Grahame Crawshaw, Irene Crawshaw, Nick Taylor, Tom Fellbaum, Ian Gilliver, Cecilia Fenerty, Dominic Wathey, Alain and Ben Kyd.

1. Apologies: John Kewley, David Gray, Trevor Hindle.

2. Minutes of 2019 AGM: Accepted.

3. Matters arising: none.

4. Financial Report 2019-2020: The Treasurer had circulated audited accounts.

We made a net loss of £1738. About £1000 of this was due to the cancellation of the Northern Championships and we could run no other events between March and August 2020. A further £700 was loaned to the Northern Champs/Lakes weekend account and is likely to be repaid. In addition, if the event can be re-staged in 2021, there will be an opportunity to recover the loss.

The report was accepted.

5. Financial plan for 2019-2020: Mapping should form a major part of future investment. Some projects are in progress such as Knutsford, but further projects are needed.

6. Membership Fees: In accordance with the Treasurer's recommendation, these remain unchanged at £10 for seniors but free membership remains for all juniors, and for seniors during their first year (accepted unanimously).

7. Chairman's Report: Text was provided in advance. Key points were:

(a) We gained 12 new members and lost 19.

(b) The social committee ran an enjoyable New Year Social.

(c) First aiders. Qualification renewals brought the number of those qualified to 9.

(d) Sam Drinkwater continues to produce valuable newsletters while Nick Taylor and Matthew Snarr have taken over our social media activities.

(e) Club development has progressed in the form of computer-based mapping workshops, planned training for new coaches, and coaching sessions for members run by John Kewley. In addition, Pete Hayes has supported school training activities in Macclesfield.

(f) MDOC has been jointly instrumental in producing a series of professionally made training videos, aimed at beginners and using POCs. Shot locally in Summer 2020 and financed by Sport England, it is hoped that these will increase participation and possibly membership.

(g) Schools and Junior Development. Dominic Wathey and Catriona Beynon have joined the committee as junior reps. Pete Hayes has delivered a series of fun orienteering session in Macclesfield primary schools as part of a plan detailed a year ago. Pete, Ben Kyd and other older pupils have run coaching sessions at Fallibroome.

(h) Events and activities. The Club staged the British Schools Score Championships but from March until July 2020 events and activities ceased due to covid, except on-line. Major events were cancelled including High Dam (Northern Champs) and urban events in Macclesfield and Knutsford. Pete Ross and

Ian Watson set up MapRunF courses, and an on-line entry system with card payment has been established in compliance with BOF guidelines for event resumption.

(i) Club successes. Fallibroome excelled in the British Schools Championships (both standard and score). Many members, individually and as a team, were highly successful at Temp O, an online Trail-O. Catriona Beynon, Ben Kyd and Dominic Wathey have joined the NW Junior Squad.

(j) We have a new urban map of Sale West and updates and extensions to Stockport and Errwood maps. An iZettle card reader now enables contactless payment.

(k) A number of departing committee members were thanked but Pete Lomas was particularly thanked for 43 years of service. Trevor Roberts gave a resume of his many achievements, including a 2.28 marathon a wee while ago! He was presented with a trophy and see section 9 below.

8. Election of Officers and Committee

The following were elected:

Position	Name	Proposer	Seconder
President	Frank Rose	Tony Wagg	Alan Ogden
Chairman	Marie Roberts	Ian Gilliver	Julie brook
Vice-Chairman	--		
Hon Secretary	Tony Wagg	Chris Rostron	IG
Hon Treasurer	Peter Cull	AO	Marie Roberts
Fixtures Secretary	Sue Birkinshaw	TW	IG
Junior Representatives	Dominic Wathey	CR	Alain Kyd
	Catriona Beynon	Pete and Rae Lomas	AK
Club Captain	Tom Fellbaum	IG	CR
Committee (up to 7) Elected	Simon Freytag	CR	IG
	Trevor Hindle	Trevor Roberts	TW
	Peter Hayes	TW	IG
	Julie Brook	AO	TW
	Eddie Speak	Julie Brook	AK
	Dave Mawdsley	P&RL	Cecilia Fenerty
Committee co-opted	Kath Speak	n/a	n/a
	Rae Lomas	"	"
	Pete Lomas	"	"
Welfare Officer	Cecilia Fenerty	"	"
Auditor	Andrew Addis	Grahame Crawshaw	Kath Speak

9. Further Proposals:

(a) That Pete Lomas should be awarded Honorary Life Membership of MDOC and BOF (through MDOC). Passed unanimously.

(b) Reward for event planners and organisers. That these should be entitled to two free runs at MDOC events at or below the same level at which they served. Passed with 13 in favour.

10. AOB:

(a) Promotion of Orienteering at Fallibroome. Alain Kyd was invited to summarise their recent efforts. Ben Kyd has run after-school coaching for pupils 3 nights per week, assisted by a few other experienced

students. About a quarter of the year 7 intake came to one of these sessions. Typically, 10 year 8 and 15 older age pupils attend regular sessions. A charitable trust and the school have jointly funded training kit in the form of controls, dibbers and printers. Ben leaves a year hence but several other students are gaining experience to take over his role so that the sport should continue to flourish.

(b) Recent training videos (see 7f). There was an attempt to show one of the videos, set in Wythenshawe Park. This was curtailed by technical glitches with our Zoom system but the videos are available on YouTube.

(c) Steve Fellbaum. Steve moved to the Lakes 18 months ago after many years in MDOC, including a spell as chairman. Tom (his son) reported that he has remained a member until a few weeks ago and with a heavy heart has transferred to LOC. If there had been a club award for catering, he would have been a hot favourite in a very competitive field.