**Minutes of MDOC Committee Meeting 13th March 2017**

**Present:** Eddie Speak(Chairman), Dave McCann, Julie Brook, Sue Birkinshaw, Tony Wagg (Secretary), Kath Speak, David Wathey, Ian Gilliver.

**Apologies:** Alan Ogden, Clare Griffin, Steve Dempsey, Trevor Hindle, Andrew Gregory, Petes Lomas and Ross.

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

**2. Matters Arising/Actions:**

(a) Andrew Gregory has produced a review of the Bleathwaite Event which contains details of help in planning any future events there. The Treasurer has an inventory of Club equipment though this may only include items listed as assets. It is useful that planners and organisers are aware that we have additional items such as a donated survival sleeping bag, currently keeping the Secretary warm.

(b) Booking system for laptop housing OCAD 11. It is intended that this laptop can be borrowed by planners needing to incorporate map updates, generally for street league and summer evening events. Julie agreed to add a file or website page forming a booking record. She will circulate details of how this may be accessed.

(c) Clubmark. Item deferred to next meeting.

(d) Event fees. Julie reported charges by neighbouring clubs. For Saturday level D events SROC and DEE charge £6/2 and £4.5/2.5 respectively and both charge £3/1 for night street league. After further discussion of fee structures and policy the following was agreed. Level C £5/2 (incl summer eve), level D £4/2 except that Night Street League and Countryside Score (lower cost and higher net revenue) will remain at £3/1 for the present at least.

**3. Treasurer’s Report:** The treasurer was unable to attend and unable to produce a monthly report due to temporary problems accessing the account.

**4. Division of Responsibilities at Major Events: T**his item arose from concerns expressed by Dave McCann that we had insufficient control collectors at Bleathwaite, imposing unreasonable burdens on a few. The planner (Andrew Gregory) and high altitude control collector (Tony Wagg) agreed that we ideally needed more help but that this was due to a shortage of volunteers rather than uncoordinated efforts to recruit them.

 **5. Future Events:** Summer Evening Events. We still lacked 2 of 4 controllers and a planner for Lyme and an organiser for Teggs Nose. The Alderley Event has had to be moved from Thursday 13th to Tuesday 11th July due to a clash with a charity race. Dave McCann suggested that we could re-cycle courses on perhaps a 4 year basis if planners proved hard to come by. Something similar has occurred in the past.

**6. NWOA: D**ave McCann reported on a recent CDM (Club delegate meeting).

(a) The British Champs may break even over the two days. This requires 1300 individual entries with 1050 received at the time of reporting (about 2 months to go). Some clubs have yet to enter relay teams. There is the possibility of a loss of up to £3k but this is tolerable if BOF does not claim a full superlevy (unclear as yet –they may take a standard rate). MDOC will gain a high quality map and financial compensation for loss of use of the area for a period. MDOC is running central services with Dave coordinating our volunteers. We have 13 for Saturday and 11 for Sunday and 3 control collectors so far. UVHS are running download and Borderliners are also adding people to either download or central services.

(b) Lakes 5 Day 2018. Derek Allison has been appointed as coordinator and Trevor Roberts as treasurer. Areas and dates are chosen and Grasmere showground has been booked to support the Silver Howe and Harrop Tarn events. MDOC is running central services, including computing, every day and SROC has therefore offered to organise Angle Tarn if we feel we are overcommitted.

(c) AOB. Ian Ward Smith is about to order more map paper for the region and invited clubs to define their needs. Sport England funding to BOF will decrease by the equivalent of 3 salaries prompting reorganisation.

**7. Event Fees:** See 2(d)

**8. AOB:**

(a) Accident at night street league. Ian Gilliver reported that there had been a runner injured in a fall on a path. An accident report has been submitted to BOF and there may need to be a minor addition to the safety course.

(b) Birchwood Event July 15th. Trevor Roberts reported that Warrington Borough Council (covering the area of Birchwood) is running a 2 hour safety awareness course on Saturday 22nd April. Trevor cannot attend but Ian Gilliver might do. David Wathey has produced a flyer for this whole weekend, which is run jointly with DEE.

 **9. Date of next Meeting:** 10th April 2017, at the Ladybrook Hotel.