

TWENTIETH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held in the Meeting Room at the University of Edinburgh Department of P.E.,
46 Pleasance, Edinburgh, at 7.00 pm on Thursday 4 May 1995

1 Present

Graeme Ackland, Steve Ambler, John Barrow, Steve Conway, Peter Dymoke, Colin Eades, Ann Haley, Ray Heyworth, Colin Inverarity, John Kenworthy, Lesley Kenworthy, David Simmons, Anthony Squire, Pat Squire, Charlie Walton, Janet Walton (16)

Apologies for absence were received from Lorna Eades, Lucy Galloway, Robin Galloway, Martin Hyman, Andy Kitchin, and Rob Lee.

2 Minutes of 1994 Annual General Meeting

2.1 Adoption

Charlie pointed out that, in the effort to pad out the Chairman's Report, a mention of the 1994 Scottish Championships had been included; in fact, this event had occurred AFTER last year's AGM!

He also mentioned that Janet's surname appeared in the "Election of Office Bearers" as "Fallo", not "Fallon".

Apart from these inconsistencies, the adoption of the Minutes as a fair record of the Meeting was proposed by Ray Heyworth, seconded by Lesley Kenworthy, and duly accepted.

2.2 Matters Arising

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes.

3 Chairman's Report

During the past year Interlopers have again been actively involved as participants in orienteering events from local level to the World Cup, with competitive successes recorded from Lothian O League to international events. We have been represented at major races at home and abroad, and have seen a reasonably healthy level of activity at local and Scotlandsgaloppen events.

We have had teams at the Scottish, British, JK and multi-person relays and are 1995 British women's open relay champions (well done to Heather Hartman, Darina Cunnane and Angela Mudge). We even progressed to a CompassSport Cup semi-final. In general we have continued to make our mark in orienteering competition, and many club members can be proud of their achievements this year.

We have also continued to play our part organising events this year: we had a major involvement in the '94 Scottish Championships, members assisted with the World Vets, we held badge and LOL events at Archerfield, and we have put on local events in the '94 and '95 summer series. We have also been working on the Scottish Relays, the 6-Day Event and a Scotlandsgaloppen event, all due to take place later in

1995. I cannot mention all the event officials here but we owe them a great debt of gratitude, and thanks are due to all the club members who helped out and made these events successful.

The club social programme has included a number of now traditional events - the Hallowe'en and Christmas parties, skittles, a pancake night - plus club meals, with fair turnouts on most occasions. Many thanks to the organisers and to the hosts.

We booked the Moray House gym for circuit training through the winter again which was certainly valued by those coming along even if numbers were a bit low. Club members join in various other local training activities and our connections with running clubs, sports injuries clinics etc. mean we are well provided for in this area.

The club committee has continued to meet on a regular basis to deal with business. Committee members have once again put in a lot of time and effort; they really keep the club functioning. Our newsletter continues to gather acclaim, and our finances are well managed and in good order. Thanks are due to all on the committee and to those who let us use their houses for meetings.

While we have survived the year with some successes we have little to be encouraged by in other areas. Finding a committee remains difficult and our progress in mapping and coaching, with juniors, and in general development has been pretty non-existent.

It has been a busy year putting events on and we have had significant problems finding enough officials for the events we are committed to. We have perhaps been unlucky but individuals have been left with heavy burdens, and I believe we will have to be more careful about committing to put on events in future - sort out the area and officials first!

Charlie Walton

4 Financial Statement for the Year ending 31 March 1995

Steve introduced the audited accounts, together with accompanying notes, and made some comments about various aspects of the Statement. There was discussion of some items, after which the Statement's acceptance was proposed by Steve, and seconded by Ray Heyworth.

5 Membership Fees for 1996

It was pointed out that any decision on this Item might be overtaken by events at the SOA AGM, to be held on Saturday 6 May at Perth. There was an item on the Agenda for that Meeting, proposing a re-structuring of SOA Membership, whereby all Club members would be deemed to be SOA members, and the Club's affiliation fee to SOA would be determined to some extent by the number of members in the Club. This Meeting's overall feeling was that the SOA was not entitled to effectively dictate what a Club's recruitment policy should be, and that, if a Club decided to take on Club-only members, then it should not be penalised financially.

It was agreed to set the Club membership fees for 1996 to be the same as for 1995 (*viz.* £4.50 for Seniors, £1 for Juniors, £7 for Families, and £2 for Groups); this was proposed by Ray Heyworth, and seconded by Steve Ambler.

6 Election of Office Bearers

<u>Position</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconder</u>
a) Hon. President	Carol McNeill	Ray Heyworth	Colin Eades
b) Chairman	Colin Eades	Janet Walton	David Simmons
c) Secretary	John Barrow	Colin Inverarity	Graeme Ackland
d) Treasurer	Steve Ambler	Colin Eades	Anthony Squire
e) Social Secretary	Charlie Walton	Colin Eades	Lesley Kenworthy
f) Newsletter Editor	Colin Inverarity	John Barrow	Janet Walton
g) Junior Member	(no nominations)		
h) Ordinary Members	David Simmons	Graeme Ackland	Colin Eades
	John Kenworthy	Janet Walton	Steve Ambler
i) Area Representative	(no nominations)		

All the Nominees were elected uncontested. It was agreed that the remaining Positions could be allocated (or co-opted) by the new Committee.

7 Any Other Business

- AGM

It was suggested, and agreed, that the starting time of future AGMs be put back to 7.30pm. Ray also pointed out that the venue was at 46 Pleasance, not 46 The Pleasance!

- SOA Relay Championships

Charlie briefly mentioned the SOA Relay Championships on 28 May, and encouraged everyone to come and help on the day. He also pointed out that, because the venue was the same as for the Individual Championships the day before, a certain amount of setting-up could be done on the Saturday afternoon.

- 6-Day Event

Pat also reminded the Meeting of the Club's commitment to Day 3 of this year's 6-Day event on Speyside. The Club would have the use of Moray House's mansion at Kingussie (Woodlands) for the week.

- Scotlands Galloping 7

Graeme repeated the same refrain in connection with the staging of event 7 in the Scotlands Galloping series, at Anagach on 17 September. It was suggested that Woodlands would be a useful base, and Pat agreed to find out if it could be reserved for that weekend also.

- CompassSport Cup

Colin Eades mentioned that it was hoped to play the Club's next tie, against ESOC, at that club's event at Cademuir on 18 June. It was recognised that this date was beyond the closing date for completion of Round 3 ties, but there were no suitable events this term in which to play the tie, and the ESOC representative (Norma Coutts) was to contact the Cup Organiser for special dispensation to play the tie later.

- Representative Honour

Pat announced that Anthony had that day heard that he had been selected to represent BOF in the Junior World Championships in Denmark from 5 to 13 July.

- Equipment

Although he was no longer a Committee member, Pat was quite happy for the stock of Club equipment to remain at his house. John K. mentioned that he had the Club Flag at his house, still to be repaired.

The newly elected Committee members were asked to remain to decide on the date and venue for their first Meeting.

The Meeting closed at 8.52 pm.

John Barrow (Hon. Secretary) – 8 December 1995