FOURTH COMMITTEE MEETING, FOURTEENTH YEAR

8 p.m., Monday 11 December 1989, at 3 Charlton Grove, Roslin

Present:

John Barrow, Janet Fallon, Ian McIntyre, Pat Squire, Steve Terry, Charlie Walton

Apologies for absence were received from Jane Cherry and Lucy Patterson.

1 Minutes of previous Meeting

In Item 3, the cheque to Pat was for food for the Club Weekend, not for the accommodation.

In Item 4.2, for "Baluin" read "Baluain".

2 Secretary's Report

A letter had been received at very short notice, advising of a Personal Performance couse to be held at Kinneil Wood on Saturday 16 December.

John wondered if any formal arrangements need be made to organise teams for the BOF Squad Alternative Relay event on 21 January. After some discussion, Pat offered to coordinate entries if people required it.

John passed on to Janet the Club's renewal form for SOA and BOF membership for 1990.

BOF had sent out a sample of a new leaflet called "Enjoy Orienteering", and offering 10 free copies on supply of a stamped addressed envelope. It was agreed to apply for these free copies, for distribution to anyone enquiring about orienteering.

A day or so after the latest Club Newsletter had been made up, the complete Scotlandsgaloppen 1989 results had been received. John mentioned selected Club results, and passed the full set to Charlie for a summary to be included in the next Newsletter.

Quite a bit of telephoning had taken place with representatives of the other Scottish Clubs involved in organising Day 5 of Loch Lomond 89, with a view to arriving at a consensus on how the profits from the Day should be distributed. After the discussion at the last Meeting, John had written to the 6-Day Directors, with the Club's ideas. Subsequently, the views of the other Clubs were sought, and the suggested distribution amended. Unfortunately, the day a revised letter had been sent to the Directors had coincided with the day the Directors had met to make the final decision on how the funds should be shared out. No response from that Meeting had yet been forthcoming, so the Club still did not know how much money it would be receiving from the Event.

3 Treasurer's Report

Janet asked for some cheques to be signed for the following bills:

- a second sweat shirt order (£78.75)
- miscellaneous photo-copying
- EUOC's share of the skittle alley hire, due to Lucy (£15)

- the Club's 1990 affiliation to SOA and BOF (£19)
- transfer of excess funds to the Building Society account

A bill was still to be received from Moray House for the use of the house at Kingussie for the Club Weekend.

Janet reported that no control cards had yet been purchased to replace the stock used at Lomond Hills.

4 Events

4.1 Lomond Hills Badge Event

Results had appeared. John asked for a copy for the Club records.

4.2 S.O.A. Championships 1991

Little had happened since the last Meeting. Jan McClean had approached FVO to find out who to contact regarding land use. FVO had considered our request for the use of Birnam Wood formally at a Committee Meeting. A potential difficulty existed with the choice of Birnam, in that it was also one of the Training Areas for JK90. This was not considered to pose much of a problem, but the National Event Panel might object, given that an area chosen for a National Event is not supposed to have a "major" event on it in the previous two years or so. It might be possible for the JK90 planners to arrange for part of the area to be left unused. Nevertheless, Charlie would submit the Club's proposal formally to the Panel. He mentioned that no Controller had yet been appointed, but he intended continuing his efforts to find one (possibly extending the search to the Grade 2 list). Scott and Simon would be planning the courses.

4.3 LOL

ESOC had agreed our use of Glentress for the event on 11 March 1990, and would sell us maps at a unit cost of 50p. John had despatched a completed Event Registration form, and had spoken to the Forestry Commission in Peebles on an informal basis to make sure the forest was available then. Robin Sloan had provisionally agreed to be the Controller. Steve reported that he had been unable to find a Planner. It was agreed that informal contacts would be made by various Committee members over the coming weeks to try to find a Planner. Once found, Pat should be informed.

4.4 Training Events

Pat said he was planning to stage a training day, aimed particularly at Juniors, on Saturday 6 January, on the western edge of the Pentlands. He would check on accessibility.

4.5 JK 1990

The Club was to be responsible for organising the Finish at the Relays in Devilla Forest on Monday 16 April 1990. Peter Woolverton was the Day Organiser. Scott Balfour was the Controller. Charlie was the contact in the Club. He mentioned that, apart from the central equipment pool, the only likely equipment required would be canes and tapes. He would check on the Finish system to be used, and would advise on manpower needs.

5 Newsletter

It was agreed to produce the next issue for about the end of January, with a copy deadline of 7 January. Charlie pointed out that the job of making up the Newsletter was much easier if there were more contributions, preferably typed.

6 Club Weekend

Charlie had made enquiries with a view to planning a Weekend around the Solway badge event at the beginning of April 1990. There was rumoured to be an outdoor centre on the edge of Fleet Forest, though whether sufficient accommodation was available there was uncertain. However, he had since discovered that Solway were now unsure about the date and location for their event, so further investigations would be pointless. Steve mentioned the possibility of the use of Mabie House, in the middle of the Mabie Forest map.

7 Juniors

Pat reported that there had been a Lothians and Borders Training Day a few weekends ago.

8 Mapping

There was nothing to report.

9 LBOA

Ian and Ray Heyworth had attended the Annual General Meeting on 7 November. John Biggar was re-elected as Chairman. The new Committee would be posted in "Score". Ian would send copies of Meeting minutes to John for the Club records. He mentioned that, in the next year, he would be undertaking a part-time degree course, and that it might not be possible for him to attend each Meeting of the Association. It was stressed, however, that the Club should try to find a representative (not necessarily the same person every time) to be at each meeting, if possible.

10 Socials

A Hallowe'en Party had been held on 31 October at 116 Marchmont Road. There had been a very good turnout, and great fun was had by all.

The Beer and Skittles evening had been held at The Sheep's Heid on 30 November. 9 Club members had been there, with 12 from EUOC and 3 others. Lucy had had to settle EUOC's bill, temporarily, for their share of the hire, so needed reimbursement.

A Burns Supper was to be held on Wednesday 24 January at 9 Warrender Park Terrace.

11 A.O.B.

Three LBOA trophies were still to be given out from the Lomond Hills event. There had been no formal presentation at the ESOC event, because of the dispersed nature of the car parking and the cold weather.

Ian had attended the post-mortem meeting for Loch Lomond 89. Very little was said, and the meeting only lasted about half an hour.

Ian also mentioned that there had been a recent competition between an SOA Team and a Scottish Universities Team.

Janet mentioned that she had been at a National Event in the Lake District recently, at which extra description sheets were made available. Despite the relatively calm weather, there had been a lot of mess with the extra sheets spread all over the place.

The next Meeting would be held on Monday 12 February at 26 Swan Spring Avenue, Edinburgh.

The Meeting closed at 9.40.