SIXTH COMMITTEE MEETING, FOURTEENTH YEAR

8 p.m., Monday 23 April 1990, at 116 Marchmont Road, Edinburgh

Present:

John Barrow, Jane Cherry, Janet Fallon, Pat Squire, Steve Terry, Charlie Walton

Apologies for absence were received from Ian McIntyre, Lucy Patterson, and Gordon Riemersma.

1 Minutes of previous Meeting

The Minutes were accepted with the following corrections:

In Section 4.1, line 4, "Training Day" should read "Relay".

In Section 4.3, "20 January" should read "6 January".

In Section 6, for "Kincraig" read "Kingussie".

In Section 3, reference was made to recovery of British Relay entry fees. It was pointed out that this is not necessary, since the Club normally subsidises major Relay Championship entry fees.

2 Secretary's Report

John mentioned a Christian Aid sponsored Forth Bridge Cross event on 5 May. After some discussion, it was agreed that the Club would not enter a Team.

A letter had been received from the Organisers of "Southern Uplands 91", informing the Club of its allocated day in the 1991 Scottish 6-Day Event. This would be Day 5 (again), the principal organising Club for that Day being MAROC. No immediate action was required from Interløpers. The events, venues, first-named organising Club, and dates were as follows:

Day 1	Ae	CLYDE	4 August 1991
Day 2	Glen Trool	FVO	5 August 1991
Day 3	Bowhill	GRAMP	6 August 1991
Day 4	Glenrazzie	ESOC	8 August 1991
Day 5	Dalmacallan	MAROC	9 August 1991
Day 6	Mabie	INVOC	10 August 1991

A letter had been received from Jonathan Musgrave, concerning proposed SOA Mapping Courses available during 1990, and asking for Clubs to let him know if they want one organised for them. He also wanted to know if the Club was prepared to organise an event in the 1991 Scotlandsgaloppen series (to be renamed the Scottish League). Charlie would put a note in the Newsletter, seeking feedback from members on the need for a mapping course. John would liaise with Jonathan regarding the Scottish League.

There was some discussion on the proposed W21 Trophy to be presented by the Club to the Scotlandsgaloppen series, and a possibility for a trophy, seen by Gordon in a shop in Waverley Market, was considered. It seemed that Eva Riemersma would be likely to be able to find out more about it; Pat would ask her, and suggest that she liaise with Janet.

There had been some concern over the Army's plans to extend their Training Area in the Pentland Hills. However, after various public concerns had been voiced, the plans had apparently been dropped.

A cheque for £180 had been received from ELO for maps used at the Scottish Schools Championships on 18 March. Sheila Strain had asked the Club's permission to use either overprinted or photo-copied maps at a proposed training event that ELO hoped to stage on 16 May. Given the size of the cheque, there was some concern that there were no further stocks of this map at all. John agreed to check with Jan McClean (who had organised the Club's event there in January 1989). Subsequent to the Meeting, it transpired that the maps had been sold to ELO at 30p each, and that all the stock had been used (there being about 600 entries in total, including those for the colour-coded courses on the day). Jan had no further copies of the map.

Various papers had been received from BOF.

- Among these were notification that "non-Levy" events (with an entry fee of 80p or less) would now attract a Levy (with effect from 1 March 1990), as a result of a BOF Council decision. Their reasoning was that over 70% of all events throughout Britain had hitherto been "non-Levy", and over 30% of all orienteering runs were at such events; hence many competitors were not making any contribution to BOF for the services which it provided. The Levy for these events would now be at a rate of 15% of the total entry fee income for the event, but could be paid on a yearly basis by Clubs.
- A further paper was an independent Report on the impact of orienteering on a notable site of scientific interest in the New Forest. The event chosen was the 1988 November Classic. The Report would be available for anyone to read at their leisure.
- There was also some information about the BOF A.G.M..

Charlie reported that there was to be an Open Day at Meadowbank on 13 May, organised by Edinburgh District Council, at which sporting bodies could set up stalls. After some consideration, it was decided to take no action, given that in practice the likely returns in terms of new members would not justify the effort required to man the stall for the whole day.

3 Treasurer's Report

Janet reported that she had decided to purchase three sets of punches, rather than two. These had arrived in time for the event on 11 March. All major expenses for that event had been dealt with (although they had spread across the change of financial year).

A request had been received from Gordon Riemersma to buy a sophisticated multi-memory stop watch (costing about £25), for recording split times (up to a memory-maximum of 30 times). After some discussion, it was agreed that, rather than buy one for Gordon directly, it would be better to acquire one for the Club, and then lend it out. Pat would ask Gordon where he had seen the watch.

A more general discussion followed on subsidising Club members for attending major representative events. It was agreed that such facilities should be more publicised, and those wanting such a subsidy should write to the Committee.

A specific request from Lorna Boyd was also considered. However, this was to support a University tour to a Women's Relay event in Sweden; in addition, Lorna ran as an Interløper so infrequently that the Meeting decided not to support her application.

Janet also reported that the accounts for 1989-90 were now in the hands of the Auditors.

4 Events

4.1 S.O.A. Championships 1991 (8 June)

Charlie reported that a meeting would be held soon, before the Club A.G.M.. No action had been taken before Easter, because of commitments with the J.K..

4.2 LOL 7 (11 March)

The Glentress event had taken place, and had been quite successful. Thanks for their efforts were offered to Pat and Andrew, and to Robin Sloan.

4.3 Training Events

There was a query over whether any maps remained of the Archerfield Estate (after the Scottish Schools event held there on 18 March). (See Secretary's Report.) If there was none left, then another venue would be sought.

4.4 JK 1990 (16 April)

The event had happened, and overall the Finish had been sufficiently manned by the Club (though at peak times, the organisation had creaked somewhat).

4.5 Southern Uplands 91

No effort was yet required, and in any case the Club would be concentrating its efforts in the first half of next year on the S.O.A. Championships.

4.6 Summer Series

The Club had agreed to organise the events on 9 May and 6 June, to be run by Scott and Janet at Colinton Dell and Holyrood respectively. There was some doubt over whether many maps of Colinton Dell remained. John would check with Christine Whalley, and would liaise with Scott.

(Subsequent to the Meeting, it transpired that Christine held no stocks of the map, but Scott would proceed with the event with the 20 or so copies he had, together with photo-copies if necessary.)

4.7 SOA Relays 1990 (27 May)

Some discussion was held on what teams to enter for the 1990 Scottish Relays. Eventually, it was agreed to enter 2 Men's Open, 1 Women's Open, 1 M40, 1 W13, 1 Senior ad-hoc, and 1 Junior ad-hoc. Janet gave John a cheque to cover the entry fees.

4.8 Harvester Trophy (23/24 June)

Charlie would sound out possible entrants. The Club would probably pay a proportion of the entry fee.

5 Newsletter

The March/April issue had appeared, together with the notice of the A.G.M., and an up-to-date address list. Charlie agreed to produce a further issue in May, to annouce the A.G.M. Agenda, and to seek SOA Relay Team runners.

6 Annual General Meeting

Charlie agreed to distribute the Agenda (as mentioned in the previous Section). Janet recommended that Club membership fees remain unchanged for 1991.

A brief summary of current Committee members' intentions was as follows:

John Barrow	prepared to stand again
Jane Cherry	standing down
Janet Fallon	prepared to stand again
Ian McIntyre	standing down
Lucy Patterson	(probably) prepared to stand again
Gordon Riemersma	(probably) prepared to stand again
Pat Squire	prepared to stand again
Steve Terry	standing down
Charlie Walton	prepared to stand again

Jane, and perhaps Steve, agreed to continue to assist with copying Newsletters.

Some other names were suggested as potential Committee Members, such as Colin Inverarity, Andrew Bankhead, David Eades, and Andy Kitchen.

Pat said he would be prepared to represent the Club at LBOA meetings.

7 Club Weekend

A booking had been made of the Moray House accommodation at Kingussie for the weekend of 21-23 September 1990. Confirmation was awaited.

8 Juniors

Apart from the matter of grants to subsidise Club members, there was nothing further discussed.

9 LBOA

John had yet to receive Minutes of LBOA meetings from Ian. However, he had heard from Ian, who promised to send on the Minutes in due course.

10 Socials

A successful 10-pin bowling night had been held at the Megabowl at Newcraighall.

The annual dinner had been booked at Ike's Pizza Emporium in Rose Street. Lucy had asked for people to contact her if they intended going.

11 A.O.B.

The subject of winter indoor training facilities was discussed. Pat mentioned that Moray House, either at Cramond or at Holyrood, made such facilities available, mostly in the form of circuit training. He would get details of costs and times.

Various submitted designs for a new Club o-suit were discussed, at length. Charlie would consult Ultrasport concerning their feasibility. The intention would be to present a short list of three designs at the A.G.M, to decide on one, and to take orders thereafter.

The date of the SOA Annual General Meeting (Saturday 26 May in Aboyne) was mentioned, in the context of there hardly ever being any Interløpers attending such a Meeting.

The date and venue for the next Meeting would be decided by the new Committee, to be elected at the Annual General Meeting.

The Meeting closed at 11.15.