BRITISH ORIENTEERING FEDERATION

ELITE COMPETITIONS STEERING GROUP

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Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday June 14th 2005 at 169 musters Road, West Bridgford

Present: John Palmer (Chair), Peter Guillaume (Fixtures) Mark Saunders (ICChair/UK Relay Co-ordinator/British Seeding)), Barry Elkington (Rules Group), Hilary Palmer (Coaching/FCC Co-ordinator/GB Junior Selector), Derek Allison (Programme Director/Chair Senior Selectors), Dave Peel (UK Cup Co-ordinator), Dave Harrison (GB Selector/JK Seeding),

Apologies: Chris Poole (GB Squad)

			Action		
1. Minutes of the 2004 meeting					
The minutes were approved but it was pointed out that some people had used the provisional fixtures information from the minutes assuming that it was final. A note in the minutes should avoid this problem.					
2. Matters ar	2. Matters arising from the minutes.				
The Belgium Coach has thanked BOF for the excellent way the races were staged for the British Middle and Sprint Championships and allowing their team to use the races as selection races.					
Neil Crickmore SEOA, Dan Halliday WMOA and John Palmer EMOA had agreed to become corresponding members.					
3. Review of 2005.					
A general discussion took place including the following issues:					
Voided course at JK and Scottish Championships problems – The new procedure for appointing controllers should assist this. It was agreed that there was a need for a rule if a race is lost from UK Cup or FCC.					
Future Champions Cup UK Cup					
Scoring	Rounds	Scoring Rounds			
4	8	6 10			
3	7	6 9			
3	6	5 8			
PMN. It was	agreed that foreign r	runners would still score UK Cup			

points and that it was not a problem and that the scoring system will change to the first 50 runners scoring points with 60 for the winner, 55,51,48,46,45,44						
Publicising Results. Ed Nash had provided an excellent service and would be congratulated and asked if he would continue and even extend his site to cover the UK Relay League.						
PMN. Ed ha	PMN. Ed had agreed to continue his website for the UK Cup.					
Entries/interest in 2005. Although entries had been reasonable it was felt that the series needed re invigorating; perhaps with a new co-ordinator for the UK Cup. Ian Nixon to be approached.						
PMN. Ian Nixon had agreed to support Dave Peel with marketing and coordinating the series.						
It was a shar	me that few j	uniors attended th	e UK Cup	races.	JP	
Dave Peel a	greed to prod	duce the 2006 UK	Cup prom	notional leaflet.		
Proposed new classes at British Relays. It was agreed to see how the changes affected the entry levels and competition in 2006.					DP	
Derek Allison had canvassed the opinion of the squad athletes on the merging of the Women's open and other classes. Opinions to be forwarded to Barry Elkington.						
Barry agreed to write an article for Focus on the changes to generate interest for 2006.					DA	
4. Elite Fixture list for 2005-06.					BE	
BEOC 2005						
It was agreed that this would be in conjunction with BOC on 1 st April in the South East.						
The British Sprint would be held on 20 th May in Milton Keynes by SMOC in the EA area. They would be asked to run it as heats and a final as in 2004.					PG	
The BUSA Championship s were proposed for the weekend 11/12 th March.					PG	
UK Cup 200)6					
The propose March 18 th March 19 th April 1st April 15 th April 16 th April 29 th April 30 th May 20 th May 21 st May 21 st May 27 th	ed fixtures for JOK SROC SEOA YHOA YHOA SARUM BOK SMOC OUOC SOA	the UK Cup were South Lakes Whitbarrow Midhurst Ilkley Cropton Maiden Bradley Milton Keynes Oxford Deeside	Chasing National BEOC JK JK BEOC	Long WRE Long Middle WRE Long WRE Middle		

June 10 th	SOA	Borders	Sprint		
OUOC are to be asked if the Oxford urban race could have middle/long courses.					
World Rank	king Events 2	2006			
The policy for allocation of the WRE events was to try to help British athletes achieve the largest number of points.					
•	roposed were nd 2; as decid		row National Event and		
UK Relay S	eries				
	consist of the on May 1st.	British, JK, Scottis	sh, Harvester and the		
The Harvester Trophy organisers were to be encouraged to co ordinate ad hoc teams to generate more entries for their event and the UK Cup race.					
It was agree	d that the be	st 4 from 5 would	count.		
It was agree	ed that the Ha	rris relay would n	ot feature mixed teams.		
If an event was void, the number of counting races would be reduced accordingly, 4 from 5, 3 from 4, 2 from 3 etc.					
Derek Allison to approach Caroline Povey over the possibility of obtaining sponsored prizes.					
Future Cha	mpions Cup				
The policy was to ensure a geographical spread as well as spacing out of dates.					
Eight qualify	ring races we	re proposed; prov	isional dates were:		
January 29 th March 4 th March 5 th March 18 th March 19 th April 1 st April 15 th April 16 th May 6 th May 7 th	BKO SBOC SBOC JOK SROC SE YHOA YHOA SOA	National Middle Regional Chasing Sprint National BOC JK 1 JK 2 Middle final Long final	Same as UK Cup JWOC selection JWOC selection		
JWOC Selection Races					
It was agreed that these would be at the Champions Cup Final and that selection would include 'All Known Form'.					
Senior Home Internationals.					
The Twin Peaks event was proposed. Peter Guillaume is to contact MDOC.					

5. Qualifications and Eligibility.		
BEOC(long) selection and seeding.		
Mark Saunders agreed to continue. The guidelines are working.		
JK		
Dave Harrison agreed to continue although Jon Cross would be asked if he wishes to take over. The guidelines are working.		
UK Relays League		
No problems had been experienced with team declarations; one team had declared itself non competitive.		
UK Cup		
Dave Harrison to be available for seeding advice.		
Elite Advisers are available for events although they had not been formally adopted. It was agreed to be more pro active in offering Dave Peel as an advisor to hosts of the UK Cup races; Peter to contact clubs involved.		
6. Implementation		
The recommended winning times for the British Elite Championships were reaffirmed as 90 minutes for men and 70 minutes for women.		
Guidelines continue to be sent to all organisers and controllers. PG to produce a draft; and FCC Guidelines to be circulated by HP.		
HP DH and MS would continue to deal with advice about entries and Start lists.		
7. Plans for 2007 onwards		
2007 British Sprint Champs - EBOR 14 th April 2007		
BEOC Middle - YHOA (CLOK?) 15 th April 2007		
BEOC Long - WOA 5 th May 2007		
2008 BEOC Long - SOA 3rd May 2008		
WRE 2007 Due to the relatively small number of British athletes running in the Scottish 6 day event it was thought not appropriate for a WRE.		
Any Other Business		
Date of Next Meeting		
The date of the next meeting is planned for June 2006.		