

Fixtures Group Minutes

Saturday 13th October 2007 - Birmingham



1. Opening Remarks The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

2. Present:

Peter Guillaume	Chairman
Pat Martin	Secretary
Dawn Watson	YHOA
Richard Sharp	SCOA
Ian Hopkins	WMOA
Brian Hughes	WOA
Richard Tiley	NWOA
John Shucksmith	SWOA
Clive Coles	EAOA
Philip Gristwood	SEOA
George Chambers	WMOA
Duncan Archer	NEOA
David Cooke	EMOA
Mike Hamilton	Chief Executive British Orienteering

3. Apologies:

Paul Caban	SOA
Michael Richardson	Major Events
Ian Whitehead	EMOA

The Chairman thanked Ian Hopkins for his contribution to Fixtures as this was his last meeting. He welcomed George Chambers (WMOA) to his first meeting, David Cooke, who was representing East Midlands and Mike Hamilton, Chief Executive British Orienteering.

4. Declaration of Any other Business

a. Insurance article in the Autumn 2007 Focus magazine.

5. The minutes of the Fixtures Group meeting on 17th March 2007 were agreed to be accurate.

6. Matters Arising from the Minutes and Previous Actions not covered elsewhere

Item	ACTIONS Fixtures Group Saturday 17 th March 2007	Completed
06/19	British Orienteering now have a pool of kit available for Major Events. Action: Mike Hamilton agreed to get this added to the British Orienteering web site	
13	Action: Chairman to raise at Event Operations and with Mike Hamilton a suggested change in how event entry fees are advertised. The fee should be the British Orienteering member price and non members pay extra as with the TCA. This is also a good way of collecting non member information. Response: Mike Hamilton said that this would be reviewed for the 2008 AGM	Completed
15	Clubs are having access issues. British Orienteering no longer has an environmental officer for clubs to refer to. Fixtures feel that British Orienteering should consider appointing someone to this role. Action: Chairman to raise with Event Operations and British Orienteering Result: Mike Hamilton advised that access issues are not being raised in sufficient number to warrant the appointment of some to this post. In 2007 there had been 3 issues raised. Two had been resolved locally. One remained unresolved.	Raised at Event Operations Completed

6. Reports from Other Meetings

No specific issues. Next Event Operations meeting is on Saturday 3rd November 2007.
The list of UK Cup events, Future Champions Cup and World ranking Events for 2008 agreed at the June Elite Competitions Group meeting were circulated. All clubs concerned have agreed to host these events.

7. Fixtures Allocation Process

- a. Two conflicts over event dates recently have brought into question how fixtures are allocated and what is the process. There is no specific document that covers this process that can be referred to and used in the case of disputes, nor is there any formalised appeal process.
- b. A draft paper to cover the proposed process was completed in June and circulated for feedback. This was discussed and updated for consideration/approval at Event Operations on Saturday 3rd November 2007.
- c. All Associations are requested to submit their planned District events to the Secretary for inclusion in the database. Local events are discretionary.

8. Foot and Mouth Outbreak

Advice to clubs and members has now been published on the British Orienteering web site. SEOA had one event postponed. In SCOA some landowners were not permitting access.

9. Major Events 2007 – 2010

2007		
British Schools Champs	SARUM	18 th November 2007
National Event and VHI	SOA	17 th /18 th November 2007
Yvette Baker Trophy Cup Final	HALO	2 nd December 2007
National Event	DVO	9 th December 2007

2008		
Compass Sport Cup First Round	ALL	13 th January 2008
British Night Championships	SWOA	23 rd February 2008
National Event	SARUM	9 th March 2008
JK	SEOA	21 st – 24 th March 2008
British Elite Orienteering Championships (M)	OD	Saturday 5 th April 2008
British Sprint Championships	OD	6 th April 2008
British Orienteering Championships & Relays	SOA	19 th - 20 th April 2008
British Elite Orienteering Championships (L)	SOA	19 th April 2008
World Schools	SOA	20 th – 26 th April 2008
Future Champions Cup Final	EBOR	3 rd & 4 th May 2008
National Event	EBOR	4 th May 2008
Harvester	TVOC	17 th May 2008
National Event – Scottish Championships	SOA	Saturday 24 th May 2008
National Event	HOC	8 th June 2008
Junior Inter Regional Championships	NEOA	28 th /29 th June 2008
Peter Palmer Relay	AIRE	7 th September 2008
Junior Home International	MEROC	27 th /28 th September 2008
Senior Home International	SOA	25 th /26 th October 2008
Veteran Home International	NIOA	???
British Schools Score	NOC	Saturday 11 th October 2008
Compass Sport Cup Final	OD	19 th October 2008
British Schools Champs	BKO	16 th November 2008
Yvette Baker Trophy Cup Final	EAOA	7 th December 2008

2008 ISSUES

- a. Date for NIOA VHI required **Action:** *Chairman*

2009		
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British Night Championships	SEOA	24 th January 2009
National Event	HH	22 nd February 2009
British Orienteering Championships & Relays	SCOA	14 th /15 th March 2009
British Elite Orienteering Championships (L)	SCOA	14 th March 2009
Compass Sport Cup First Round	ALL	29 th March 2009
JK	NEOA	10 th - 13 th April 2009
National Event	LOC	19 th April 2009
Future Champions Cup Final		BOK with National???
National Event	BOK	3 rd May 2009 (Triple O 7)
British Sprint Championships	EMOA	9 th May 2009
British Elite Orienteering Championships(M)	EMOA	10 th May 2009
National Event & Scottish Champs	SOA	23 rd May 2009
Harvester	???	???
Junior Inter Regional Championships	NIOA	27 th /28 th June 2009 ???
Peter Palmer Relay	WMOA	27 th September 2009 ???
National Event	AIRE	12 th Sept. 2009
Junior Home International	WOA	3 rd /4 th Oct ???
Senior Home International	NIOA	???
British Schools Score	EAOA	Saturday 10 th October 2009
Compass Sport Cup Final	LEI	18 th October 2009
Veteran Home International	EOA	14 th /15 th November 2009
British Schools Champs	SEOA	22 nd November 2009
Yvette Baker Trophy Cup Final	SO	6 th December 2009

2009 ISSUES

Harvester – Offers requested

JHI – WOA to clarify the date

LEI have a Regional event 3 weeks after the Compass Sport Cup – EMOA to check this is the still the case

BNC has moved back to 24th January

FCC Final : BOK National is a possibility – Chairman to explore with ECG and then BOK

Junior Events

The Regional Squad Managers have asked via Junior Competitions Group that JIRC is moved to September and that Peter Palmer is moved to June/July. WMOA who host the Peter Palmer every other year are unable to host the event if it is in June/July.

Fixtures are to explore if this change could be implemented in 2009.

This would require the following changes:

Event	Date	Action
AIRE National	12 th Sept 2009	YHOA to enquire if this can move to 6 th Sept
Peter Palmer	29 th Sept 2009	WMOA to enquire is this could move to 13 th Sept WMOA venue not available 20 th Sept
JIRC	20 th or 27 th Sept 2009	Junior Competitions Group to liaise with stakeholders and consider if acceptable
JHI	3 rd /4 th Oct	Junior Competitions Group to liaise with stakeholders and consider if acceptable

British Night Championships	SOA	
National Event	GO	21 st February 2010
National Event	LEI	21 st March 2010
Compass Sport Cup First Round	ALL	
JK	SWOA	2 nd – 5 th April 2010
British Orienteering Championships & Relays	WMOA	1 st /2 nd May 2010
British Elite Orienteering Championships (L)	WMOA	1 st /2 nd May 2010 ???
Future Champions Cup Final		
British Elite Orienteering Championships(M)	NWOA	
British Sprint Championships	NWOA	
National Event & Scottish Champs	SOA	29 th May 2010
Harvester		
Junior Inter Regional Championships		
Peter Palmer Relay		12 th September 2010
National Event		
Junior Home International	SOA	
Senior Home International	EOA	
British Schools Score	PFO/SELOC	Saturday 9 th October 2010
Compass Sport Cup Final	AIRE	
Veteran Home International	WOA	
British Schools Champs		21 st November 2010
National Event	CHIG	28 th November 2010
Yvette Baker Trophy Cup Final		

2011		
British Night Championships	WMOA	
Compass Sport Cup First Round		
JK	NIOA	22 nd – 25 th April 2011
British Orienteering Championships & Relays	YHOA	30 th April/1 st May 2011 ????
British Elite Orienteering Championships (L)		
Future Champions Cup Final		
British Elite Orienteering Championships(M)	SEOA	
British Sprint Championships	SEOA	
Scottish Champs		
Harvester		
Junior Inter Regional Championships	NIOA	
Peter Palmer Relay		
Junior Home International		
Senior Home International	WOA	
British Schools Score		
Compass Sport Cup Final		
Veteran Home International	SOA	
British Schools Champs		
National Event		
Yvette Baker Trophy Cup Final		

2011 ISSUES

JK and BOC on adjacent weeks is a problem – another date for BOC/BRC is required.

YHOA to consider other suitable dates before Easter or in the Autumn

2012		
JK	SOA	6 th – 9 th April 2011
British Orienteering Championships & Relays	NWOA	5 th – 6 th May 2011
British Elite Orienteering Championships(M)	YHOA	

10. Regional Events 2007 - 2009

The planner was updated up to 31.12 2009. Bids for Regional events for 2010 should be brought to the March 2008 meeting.

11. Compass Sport Cup 2008

Association Fixture representatives are requested to bring details of all 2008 events to the next meeting.

12. Yvette Baker Trophy Rounds 2008

Association Fixture representatives are requested to bring details of all 2008 events to the next meeting. Lakeside weekend and the weekend before the final were avoided, as well as half term and the Sunday after the British Schools Score.

13. UK Cities Cup 2008

This series has been very successful. The organisers are interested in any offers for events in the Autumn of 2008 (September onwards)

15. Events Review Document

The review document was discussed. Given other agenda items the meeting did not discuss items beyond recommendation one – “The structure to be reduced to 3 levels”.

There were strong concerns that what was being proposed was unmanageable as it was too flexible. There were no proposals about who decides on the status of events, when in the process an event status is agreed and how the events would then be programmed. The document implied that an event would be able to change status which would cause conflict.

14. British Orienteering Fixtures and the Web Site

- a. Mike Hamilton gave a demonstration of the fixtures planning and registration section of the new web site. There was a lengthy discussion with feedback, and since the meeting by email.
- b. When the system is usable Richard Tiley has volunteered NWOA to be a pilot Association.

16. Any Other Business

Clarification was sought from Mike Hamilton on the article in the Autumn Focus on insurance for non members. He advised that information had been sent to all clubs on the implementation of this. The 50p non member levy will be payable from 1st January and collected from the £2 levy non members pay.

Mike Hamilton agreed to email the information sent to clubs to all Association fixture secretaries.

Dates of Future Meetings

Saturday 15th March 2008 (lunch at 12.15pm, for a 12.30pm start) at Tally Ho! – Birmingham

Saturday 18th October 2008

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7c	All Associations are requested to submit their planned District events to the Secretary for inclusion in the database. Local events are discretionary. Action: All	

9	VHI 2008 NIOA Action: Chairman to ascertain the date	
9	2009 Harvester – Offers requested JHI – Action: WOA to clarify the date LEI have a Regional event 3 weeks after the Compass Sport Cup Action: EMOA to check this is the still the case FCC Final : BOK National is a possibility Action: Chairman to explore with ECG and then BOK AIRE National 12 th Sept 2009 Action: YHOA to enquire if this can move to 6 th Sept Peter Palmer 29 th Sept 2009 Action: WMOA to enquire is this could move to 13 th Sept	
	2010 Action; All to seek volunteers for events	
	2011 Action: JK and BOC on adjacent weeks is a problem – another date for BOC/BRC is required. YHOA to consider other suitable dates before Easter or in the Autumn	
16	New insurance arrangements Action: Mike Hamilton to email information sent to clubs to Association Fixture Secretaries	