

Minutes of the Meeting 23rd January 2010

Held at Carrs Centre Birmingham.

Event Committee is asked to approve:

10/06 The addition of a representative from Regional Squad Coordinators to JCG

Event Committee is asked to note:

10/11 Changes to the Rules for 5 Competitions – WJHI, JIRC, YB, BSSC and BSOC

10/01 Attendance

Susan Marsden	Chair	SM
Peter Guillaume	Fixtures group	PG
Barry Elkington	Rules group	BE
Richard Barker	Junior selectors rep	RB
Peter Christopher	BSOA rep	PC
Pauline Olivant	RDO & EM rep	PO
Carol Edwards	SC rep	CE
Mike Smithard	NW rep	MS
Ruth Lockley	WM rep	RL
Sarah Hague	National Talent manager	SH
Dave Peel	Events manager	DP
Pauline Olivant	Sec	PO

Apologies

Ursula Oxburgh	Coaching committee
Maureen Brown	SOA rep
Angela Darley	SE rep

10/02 Declaration of Interest

PO, SM, RB regional squads

10/03 Notification of any other business

Governance paper
Junior classes at major relays

10/04 Minutes of meeting held on 26th January 2009

The minutes of the last meeting were approved

10/05 Matters arising (if not elsewhere on the agenda)

All actions completed. The following was noted:

Action 09/06

a) The concern that the M/W14 and younger competitors winning times at Long and Middle races would be the same as the Classic race had not happened in 2009.

b) The regional squad co-ordinators agreed with JCG that any additional competitions would overload the calendar at present.

Action 09/08

f) See under 10/11

g) Peter Christopher also reported BSOA had initiated, via a Focus article, a proposal for a review of the competition. From the feedback received it was felt no changes were required at present.

Action 09/10

National event badge times are included in the new guidelines. Incentives using level 2 events are in the brief for Development Committee.

10/06 Addition of Junior Squad coordinator rep to Junior Competition group
This was agreed by the Group. Approval now to be sort from Event Committee. **Action SM**

10/07 Competition Framework Review
DP had produced a paper to inform discussion. Full open discussion took place and from this a paper is to be produced and circulated to all the JCG for comments. **Action SM**

10/08 Minute e-mail discussions since last meeting
Views had be requested from JCG re proposed changes to the CSC rules on junior classes, i.e. to split the Orange and Light Green courses so that men and women would score separately. This change was supported and has now been implemented.

10/09 Report from Event Ops
a) A report was distributed prior to the meeting present, attached as appendix A.

10/10 Report from JCG secretary
Seeding lists. In consultation with selectors and the international team, seeding lists for juniors from 14-20 have been produced and have been circulated to all major event organisers in 2010.

10/11 Review of Junior Events
a Junior Inter Regional Champs.
i) The updated pre circulated guidelines were approved, with one amendment to change JK day 1&2 to Day 2&3. It was agreed they could then be forwarded to Event Committee for approval. BE to amend document and send to PO for circulation to Regional Squad Coordinators. SM to take to Event Committee. **Action BE PO SM**

ii) The event for 2010 was confirmed as Wales on 26/27 June.
EA are in local discussion for hosting 2011.

b Peter Palmer Relays

i) It was noted no clubs have offered so far for 2010 event. PG to ask regional fixtures secretary again, followed by request to the Army and further publicity on web site. 2011 is expected to be the WM. **Action PG**

- ii) Consideration to be given by fixtures committee to moving the date, if possible to 1st weekend in Sept after the schools have returned.

Action PG

c Junior Home International

- i) It was noted that the draw for the start times for 2009 had been made at the JK instead of the JIRC due to the latter being held in September.
- ii) The updated pre circulated guidelines were approved, although it was recognised that this event is not the responsibility of British Orienteering it was requested that the guideline be housed on the British Orienteering web site. PO to send guidelines in their final state to JHI managers.

Action BE PO

d Yvette Baker

Following a review carried out by a working party, the following proposals were agreed by the meeting.

1. Date for heats. It was agreed that the desired date for the heats in 2010 is 1st Oct. For 2011 a fixed 1st weekend in Oct date is to be arranged for all heats. The event could be held on either a local or regional event as both can include the required courses. All regional dates for 2010 to be agreed as soon as possible and more national publicity to be arranged.

Action PG/PO

2. Definition of a junior for this competition. It was agreed in line with PP relay that no MW 20's would be included from 2010.

3. Number of heats. It was agreed that there would be one heat per region for 2010

4. Standards It was agreed that the standard required to be excluded from competing on a course below that of the age of the competitor would be either one gold standard at a level 1 event or the equivalent of a gold from Yvette Baker final. Guidelines to be updated and circulated. **Action BE PO**

e Jamie Stevenson Trophy

A report was received from SOA representative and was read out to the meeting.

This is the Scottish equivalent of the Yvette Baker. In 2009 130 juniors took part representing 12 clubs. In 2008 there were 165 competitors but the date had moved in 2009. The event is a junior only event held in the middle of Scotland. Prizes were given by a variety of sponsors.

f British School Score Champs.

Guidelines have been updated in line with new event structures, BSOA to confirm they approve the updated document, the guideline to then be approved via email by JCG and forwarded to Event Committee **Action PO/SM**

g British School Orienteering Champs.

Guidelines have been updated and re formatted. Although the general principles have not changed and the only amendments are previously agreed changes, BSOA to confirm they approve the updated document,

guideline to then be approved via email by JCG, and forwarded to Event Committee

Action PO/SM

h British Junior Champs

The meeting noted that although the junior champs were normally now incorporated into the main British Championship the meeting agreed that we should still include it on our agenda so that we can ensure that the needs of juniors at all championship level events are addressed and this would include the middle and sprint.

i FCC

It was reported that several problems had occurred in arranging the final for 2010, after considering all the issues Elite Competitions group have taken decision to hold a series of 9 races with the trophies only being awarded for age class series and not overall FCC final.

10/12

Any other business

- i) The meeting were unable to discuss the governance structures papers due to lack of time.
- ii) Junior classes at relays. Brief discussions took place on the differences between the adhoc relay classes at BOC and JK. It was agreed the NW should submit a formal proposal for consideration by JCG. **Action MS**

10/13

Timing of next meeting January 2011

Summary of actions.

10/06

SM to seek approval from Event Committee in order to add a representative from the Regional Squad coordinators to JCG.
PO to confirm with Regional Squad Coordinators who will be their representative.

10/07

SM to produce paper on competition review for comment by full group.

10/11

- a) BE to amend JIRC guideline. PO to circulate new guideline to Regional Squad Coordinators. SM to take to Event Committee
- b) PG to consult with Fixtures re event for 2010 and future dates.
- c) BE to arrange for JHI guideline to be hosted on the British Orienteering web site. PO to circulate final document to JHI managers.
- d) PG to agree dates for 2010 asap, PO to arrange more publicity.
BE to update guidelines. PO to circulate new guidelines to JCG.
- f & g) PO to forward BSSC and BSOC guidelines to BSOA for approval, then JCG. SM to take to Event Competition.

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MS to arrange for a proposal re adhoc relays classes to be submitted.

Appendix A

Event Committee Report January 2010

Minutes of Feb 2009, June 2009 and Nov 2009 meetings are available on the BOF website. There have been no comments made on the minutes by members of this committee during the year.

A lot of discussion at Events Committee has been around the new event structure and how the various competitions use the events. Level 1 and the National Competitions have now been agreed and with the appointment of the event managers to help Major Events Group these competitions should improve. The work on the next level is still ongoing.

The levy system for 2010 was approved at the 2009 BOF AGM. As in 2009 clubs are applying to JCG for exemption for junior only events.

The levy system for 2011 has to be approved at the next BOF AGM (2010). The Board have been asked to look at devising a system where juniors will pay a minimal levy, with fewer clubs being granted exemption, as there are very few events that are truly junior only. The proposal for the BOF AGM is that juniors should be counted as 1/3 of an adult. This should exempt most Junior Only Events from levy as long as the threshold for levy being payable is not lowered. This is a decision taken at Board Level.

The new rules for CSC were agreed as reported under e mail discussions.