

Moravian Orienteers
Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday 19th May @ 7pm Chez Fran, Forres

Present: Rob Parkinson, Fran Britain, Andrew Campbell, David Ritchie, Karen Fraser

Apologies: Peter McLuckie, Morag McLuckie

Item		Action
1.	Rob welcomed everyone to the meeting. The minutes of the last meeting held on Mon 17th Feb were accepted by all	
2.	Items outstanding from previous minutes: - <i>List of Event Officials to be compiled</i> by Andrew, Rob & Karen. Fran to collate - <i>PVGs</i> - ongoing. Liz Campbell working with individuals and SOA office to meet new requirements - <i>Awards & Social evening</i> - it was agreed to change the focus of the event next year to emphasise the social aspects of the gathering. - <i>Website</i> . Link to information about Lyme disease to be added to each event page. Andrew will liaise with Paul Furness.	RP, AC, FB, LC RP AC
3.	Coaching Update: Morag had provided Rob with an update. JST teams being compiled and entry prepared.	MM
4.	Events and Mapping: - Equipment for urban events – it was agreed the club needs more gripples. AC to purchase - Event at RAF Lossiemouth. Can we support a one-off event? <i>It was agreed post-meeting to invite the RAF group to a forthcoming CATI or Urban event</i> - Dufftown Urban. There was brief discussion about the risk assessment and road crossing – it was agreed to stress to competitors the need to cross with care. - Future events: In 2026 the 'North area' will be putting on Score champs and Night Champs. Deeside clubs are putting in for Night champs so the suggestion is that the club put on the Score champs in Culbin. Possible double-header weekend with an urban SOUL in Fochabers, 24/25 th October. Andrew to propose to SOA. - First Aid – the cost of First Aid training needs to be discussed further as well as what the expectations are of the First Aid team (i.e. should First Aiders be expected to go into the forest). Item for next committee meeting - Following discussion of the costs of the Lady Culbin SOL it was agreed that there needs to be a greater transparency of the real costs of putting on a larger event. However, the committee noted that the SOL generated more than £2k surplus, in part due to substantial effort devoted to marketing the event on social media. - It was agreed that visiting groups should be given pdfs of mapped areas if there are no issues with access/permissions. Typical charge will be £1/map. There will be no charge for Junior groups. - It was highlighted to David Ritchie that he should be charging for the creating and updating work he does on mapping, as per our other club mappers - Newtyle. Need to clarify which area is being used and liaise with Jon Hollingdale to carry out updates	AC AC AC AC RP/FB DR DR DR/JH

5.	<p>Finance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Annual accounts Apr 24 – Mar 25</i> - Karen presented a financial update for the Year April 24-Mar 25 (see Appendix 2). Karen noted that the club reserves continue to be healthy, in part due to the profit on the Lady Culbin SOL and grant income. - <i>Entry fees:</i> See Item 4 above re: event costs. We need to factor in FLS costs, levy charges and parking costs into entry fees, particularly for regional events <p>Increased entry fees for local events from Jan 26 will be proposed at the AGM</p> <p><i>Grants:</i> It was noted that grants have been received from the Orienteering Foundation and The Moray Council (Changing Lives). These will contribute to the on-going work of our CDO, and the cost of installing permanent courses at Cluny Hill, Forbes and Cooper Park, Elgin</p>	AC/DR RP/KF/AC
6.	<p>Club and Membership:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will Hall will be organising several sessions with local schools and youth groups, including Elgin Brownies (with Lorraine Thompson), and three CATIs are scheduled: Cooper Park (22/6), Brodie Castle (6/8), Cluny Hill (30/8). Efforts to set up training courses for School teachers have been put on hold until the Autumn. <p>It was noted that our membership currently stands at 128 (78 BOF, 48 SOA only, 2 second club). These numbers are approximately 15 down from the same time last year. Lapsed members have been contacted, and a variety of reasons given for non-renewal.</p>	WH PM
7.	<p>Chair's Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rob gave a brief update on the CWPS requirements for committee members and noted that Liz Campbell will be contacting all affected – including club first aiders. It was noted that the club needs more first aiders to support events. - There was a brief discussion about the AGM and the accompanying score event/club championships. Rob and Andrew to progress 	RP/AC
8.	<p>Any Other Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Karen Fraser (Treasurer) announced that she would be standing down after many years in post. The committee thanked Karen for all her hard work over the years. - <i>New Trophy:</i> This is an artwork of a Pictish Bull. The trophy is to be entitled the Reid Trophy, named after the artist who produced the work; the category for the award needs to be decided. 	RP
9.	<p><i>Date of Next Meeting:</i> This will be at the AGM on 23rd August 2025 at Findhorn. Agenda to be agreed and circulated in July</p>	RP/FB

Appendix 1. Event Programme update, May 25



Event Programme and Permissions – 2025

Event Calendar for 2025									
Event	Location	Planner	Organiser	Mentor/ Controller	Organiser Contact Details	Permissions	Requested	Granted	BOF
Sat 18th January 2025	Lossiemouth Oakenhead	Ken Anderson	Andrew Campbell	Andrew Campbell	Andrewandlizcampbell@oulook.com	Moray Council Pitgavenny Estate	Y	Y	Y
Wed 29th January 2025	NNC # 5 – Quarry Wood	Finlay McLuckie	Peter McLuckie	Peter McLuckie	Pamcluckie@yahoo.co.uk	FLS	Y	Y	Y
Sun 16 th February 2025	Binn Hill, Lossie Forest	Rob Parkinson	Andrew Campbell David Ritchie	David Ritchie	Andrewandlizcampbell@oulook.com drhoneyhowe@gmail.com	Innes Estate (Ed Tennant)	Y	Y	Y
Sun 23 rd March 2025	SOL 1 - Lady Culbin	Jon Hollingdale	David Ritchie	Lynne Walker	drhoneyhowe@gmail.com	FLS	Y	Y	Y
Sat 26 th April	Knock of Alves/ <u>Aldroughty</u>	Dougie Condry	Elizabeth Furness	David Ritchie	Ejf@briach.net	Knock of Alves - Mr Petrie <u>Aldroughty</u> - Sch Agri	Y	Y	Y
Sat 24 th May	Indoor Event – Kinloss Barracks	Steve Smirthwaite	Steve Smirthwaite	Andrew Campbell	rmtbo@mor.scot	CO 39 Regt	Y	Y	Y
Sun 25 th May	Dufftown SOUL #4	Eddie Harwood	Andrew Campbell	Colin Salisbury	Andrewandlizcampbell@oulook.com	Moray Council	Y	Y	Y
Wed 18 th June	Urban League – Fochabers	Dougie Condry	Laurie Parmenter	David Ritchie	laurieparmenter@btinternet.com	Moray Council	Y	Y	Y
Sat 24 th June Sun 29 th June	Lossie Forest INVOC Carse	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wed 2nd July	Urban League – Kinloss Barracks	Michael Bishenden	Michael Bishenden	Steve Smirthwaite	michaelbishenden.09@gmail.com	CO 39 Eng Regt	Y	Y	Y
Sun 27 Jul 2025 (to 1 Aug 2025)	S6Ds – Day 1 – Glen Feardar	Peter McLuckie Finlay McLuckie	Rob Parkinson Elizabeth Furness	David Essen	Rjparkinson16@gmail.com Ejf@briach.net	S6D Company	-	-	Y
Sat 23 rd Aug 2025	Findhorn – AGM & Club Champs	Scarlett Britain Sophie Howard	Kaisa Oikkonen Ida Oikkonen		amazingdogra@hotmail.com	Findhorn Community Council			
Sat 6 th Sep 2025	Darnaway Central	Karen Fraser	Fran Britain	Paul Furness	frances@the-britains.com	Moray Estates			
Sat 11 th Oct 2025	Roseisle West					FLS			
Sun 23 rd Nov 2025	Newtyle		Nikki Howard		littleblervie@icloud.com	FLS			
Wed 3 rd Dec 2025	NNC – Forres Golf Club	Fran Britain	Karen Fraser		jp_kf@mac.com	Forres Golf Club			

Appendix 2. Financial summary April 24-March 25

Balance Sheet April 2024-MARCH 2025

Current Account

Income

	£
Event Income	18,228.36
Map Sales etc	162.00
Kit Sales	450.00
Coaching	89.50
Inter Areas 2024	3,820.74
Junior Funds	491.85
Miscellaneous	469.95
	<u>23,712.40</u>
Opening balance as at 1st April 2024	6,511.91
Surplus/Deficit for the year	4,919.56
Closing Balance as at 31 March 2025	<u><u>11,431.47</u></u>

Expenditure

	£
SI Entries Charges	1292.60
Map printing	1,684.08
Mapping	2,151.93
Levies	2,375.70
Equipment & Kit purchase	1,457.19
Publicity	75.00
Event Expenses	2,006.59
NUL/NNC payments	485.74
Coaching Expenses	234.88
Relay entries and JST	4,727.00
Junior Grants	350.00
CPD	567.50
BOF payments	118.00
Miscellaneous	666.63
Inter A/C transfer	600.00
	<u>18,792.84</u>

Project Account

	£
Opening balance 1 April 2024	9,612.68
Transfers from Current A/C	600.00
Grants received	0.00
	<u>600.00</u>

Assets at 31st March 2025

	£
Current Account	11,431.47
Project Account	4,797.48
Cash float	100.00
	<u><u>16,328.95</u></u>

CDO	4,599.00
Mapping	750.00
Maps	66.20
	<u>5,415.20</u>

Surplus/Deficit for the year	-4,815.20
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