

East Anglian Orienteering Association



Minutes of the **Annual General Meeting** held on 6 July 2014
After the SOS Relays at High Woods, Colchester

In attendance: Paul Beckett (Chairman), Barbara Fothergill (Secretary), Andrew Elliott (Treasurer), B Marshall, M Marshall, T Biggs, J Biggs, P Lowe, E Banks, C Wilkinson, P Warland, D Skinner, R Mansel, S Mansel, A Cordle G Batty (Observer)

1. Apologies for absence

A Braggins, U Oxburgh, H and D Nisbet, M Chopping, John Webb, June Webb (plus the members who sent votes on the running up motion).

2. Minutes of the last AGM (7 July 2013)

The Minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Matters arising

Item 8: The "EA Champion Club" for 2012 was awarded to SOS.

4. Chairman's Report. See written report (attached). Paul noted that there had been a good attendance (239) at the EA Championships and that he had counted 350 individual competitors participating in the EA League.

5. Treasurer's Report.

Andrew reported that the accounts had been independently examined by Nancy Powell Davies and thanked her for doing this. Andrew noted that income was low because EAOA has not held a major EAOA event, but expenditure has also been low. The Association is in a good financial position.

The accounts were approved unanimously.

The meeting recorded its thanks to the Treasurer and to the independent examiner.

6. Election of Officers

The Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary indicated their willingness to stand again. There were no other nominations for these positions.

There were no nominations for Vice Chairman.

The Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer were re-elected by unanimous vote of the AGM.

7. Bill Stevens Trophy

The Chairman said that he was awarding this to Clive Wilkinson (Suffoc) in recognition of his work on behalf of orienteering in East Anglia, with particular reference to his work with the Junior Squad.

8. East Anglian League

Tony reported that the League is going well and the overall number of points awarded has increased. The EA Champion Club for 2013 is Suffoc; (points: Suffoc 259; SOS 177; HAVOC 153; NOR and WAOC tie with 107 each; SMOC 56).

The AGM recorded its thanks to Tony B for coordinating the League and congratulations to Suffoc.

9. Any Other Business

The motion concerning “running up” at the EA Championships was discussed. It was noted that the EAOA Committee had been split 50:50 on this matter, so it was agreed to put the vote to the AGM and to encourage all EAOA members to express their views. Those present voted, and then the Secretary provided the votes which had been sent by email which were added to the AGM votes. Option 3 received the most votes and was duly passed. For the record the votes were: - Option 1: 2 votes; Option 2: 4 votes: Option 3: 16 votes: Option 4: 10 votes.

Action: The Secretary to amend the EA Champs rules which will be posted on the EAOA website to show that “running up” is permissible by all male competitors to the M21 age class and by all female competitors to the W21 age class. The M21/W21 class and trophy will be renamed as “Open”. There will be no ‘running up’ permitted to any other age classes. Competitors must register their intention to run up when entering the Championships.

Barbara Fothergill
EAOA Secretary
15 July 2014