

## **Bendigo Orienteers Inc. Monthly Meeting Minutes: 6/8/2013**

### **Meeting held at LUBAC, 7.30 pm.**

**Present:** Andrew Wallace, Peter Creely, Jim Russell, Daryl Fleay, Julie Flynn, Judy Fitt, Peter Galvin, Charles Brownridge.

**Apologies:** Andrew Cameron, Louise Hall.

Jim opened the meeting by welcoming new member, Judy Fitt.

**Black Crow Nomination:** Two of our elite members were nominated last month because they had entered a State event as novices. The one who did not go overseas made a comeback this month by entering the Jim Crow event as a novice (again). Hopefully she's got it right now because she is anything but a novice!

**Minutes of the previous meeting** were accepted on the motion of Peter Creely, seconded by Daryl Fleay. Peter C enquired whether there had been any interest in the suggestion that someone could be paid to prepare grant submissions. Julie volunteered to look into the possibility of a submission for a Sporting uniform grant.

**Treasurer's Report:** Andrew reported that our balance had increased by \$5,500 since the last meeting, partly due to the payment for Easter maps from the VOA. These have now been fully paid for by the VOA and Bendigo owns three new maps. Andrew asked for permission to transfer \$10,000 into a new term deposit. The report was accepted on the motion of Andrew Wallace and Julie Flynn.

**Secretary's Report:** Charles presented a summary of correspondence for the last two months and some items were discussed in detail.

1. Julie Flynn and Peter Creely moved that the club support the three juniors who had been selected for the Secondary schools team to the tune of \$400 each, in response to the letter from the VOA. Carried
2. Incorporation Act 2012. The meeting endorsed the recommendation from Julie, Daryl and Charles that we should adopt the new Model Rules, incorporating the suggested new Statement of Purposes and nominating 31<sup>st</sup> December as the end of our financial year. To do this, a Special General Meeting will be called immediately before the Sept. Meeting at 7:30 on Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> with one item of business on the agenda. Charles will notify Club members 21 days before the meeting.

**Local Events:** Jack Wigney's event. The meeting praised Jack's efforts as a first-time course setter. The event attracted 43 participants in spite of bad weather. Daryl pointed out that it had been an absolute pleasure to mentor Jack through the process and hoped he would be prepared to set courses again in the future.

Leon Keely was another first-time course setter for the Apollo Hill event, which used O-Lynx to show how an event could be organised. All the efforts and new technology were very well received.

Peter Serle had run an event at Lyell Forest at very short notice. Thanks Peter and Dianne.

We still need course setters for two events, one on 28<sup>th</sup> Sept and the other on 19<sup>th</sup> Oct. The Sept event is a Course setter's choice event and could suit someone who hasn't set a course before. Mentoring is available to anyone interested.

So far this year there have been 1239 entries at local Bendigo events. Keep up the great effort.

The event on 17<sup>th</sup> August was cancelled due to a clash on the same day and in the same forest as a rogaine.

**Route Gadget:** After a lot of work by a small number of members we can now produce results directly from SIME and use them to run route gadget. It's worth looking at.

**VOA Calendar 2014:** Bendigo has nominated to run two championship events next year on two days back to back in August. They will be the Vic Middle and Long Championships. Jim and Neil will alternate controlling and course setting.

Bendigo 2 Day is planned for the middle of February 2014.

**Mapping:** Chris is still remapping One Tree Hill and Neil updated the Devonshire Reef map after the fires and ran an event on it a few weeks ago.

**Junior Development:** It was pointed out that a couple of juniors were not members of the club due to a loophole in the fee structure. This would be rectified next year to provide encouragement for all juniors to join the club.

Results are now in the Addy, on Eventor and the club website and on Winsplits.

There is another reminder to all members to please fully fill in their entry stubs, including SI number.

**Shed:** Julie reported on discussions she had had with COGB council on the possibility of getting a shed built at Mandurang Oval to be shared with the Mountain Bike Club. She pointed out that council provided much more support to other sporting clubs.

**Old trailer:** the meeting confirmed that it will be sold eventually but may be needed for storage in the short term.

**New Post Office Box:** The meeting supported Andrew's suggestion that he organise a PO Box for the club, at a cost of approx. \$100 pa.

Following discussion the club decided to investigate the possibility of setting up a **permanent MOBO style course** on the Spring Gully map. This concept was used at the breakup last year and used mobile phones and QR codes. One has been set up at Belair NP in South Australia.

There was also discussion of a new concept from Sweden called Find Out of **HITTAUT** and it was suggested that a course could be arranged in Bendigo with maps available from the Information centre and a community challenge organised over a few months. If anyone wants to check out what the concept involves you can do it by going [HERE](#)

**Club Members:** At latest count Bendigo has 133 members, making us the largest orienteering club in Victoria. Bayside comes next with 128. We are about the fourth largest club in Australia.

Bendigo is leading this year's **Rockhopper's Trophy** and 25% of entries at the Jim Crow event last Sunday were from Bendigo. Check out the Rockhopper standings [HERE](#)

**Other Business:** Following the demise of one of our gazebo style tents over the last few weeks a new one will be bought when they are next on special.

**Meeting closed** at 9:10 pm.

**Next Meeting** will be at LUBAC on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept immediately following the Special General Meeting which will start at 7:30 pm.