

Bendigo Orienteers Inc.
Committee meeting

Monday 9 October 2017, 7:30pm
RMCG, 135 Mollison Street, Bendigo

Present: Julie Flynn (chair), Peter Searle, Jim Russell, Andrew Cameron, Richard Goonan, Alison Radford, Jacqui Knee, Louise Hall (minutes), Andrew Wallace, Leah Talbot (guest), Craig Feuerherdt, Terry Davidson, Nigel McGuckian, Neil Barr

Apologies: Jason Carter, Peter Forbes, Peter Creely, Colin Walker, Matt Schepisi

1. Dja Dja Wurrung Joint Management plan

Leah Talbot (CSIRO) gave a brief talk about plans for a joint management plan between Dja Dja Wurrung and CSIRO, to be finalised by October 2018. Covers Greater Bendigo, Hepburn, Paddys Ranges, Kara Kara, and Kooyoora.

Nigel and Julie took the opportunity to explain our difficulties working with Parks Victoria in getting permits and access to these protected areas, and also issues with the MTB club putting in illegal tracks through the bush.

2. Treasurer's report (Andrew Wallace)

Andrew presented the General Ledger and Balance Sheet for September. Most of our term deposits recorded a distribution on 30 Sept.

Moved Andrew Wallace, seconded Nigel McGuckian.

3. Secretary's report (Louise Hall)

See Action List (attached)

4. Proposed Spring Gully Mount Bike Trail Network (Richard Goonan)

Richard originally found some pink marking tapes in Kangaroo Gully (around the time that Jim found some in Koolamurt), and started investigating. Richard then got an early look at the draft plan with regard to proposed MTB tracks.

After some research, Neil identified 187km of new, mostly unauthorised, MTB track over the last 10 years through Greater Bendigo National Parks (not including the current Spring Gully proposal).

Richard showed the committee the proliferation of tracks on the Kangaroo Gully map, including proposed new tracks, and suggested changes and closures to help preserve the bush for orienteering.

Propose that the club puts in a submission or write to the Environment minister - Neil recommended that Richard write this as he has already done so much work on this issue.

5. Event reports and planning

- Thanks to members who have stepped up to make the late-season events happen. How can we avoid this issue recurring? Possibly by allocating members to jobs as discussed last month.

- Park Street Challenge (Andrew Cameron)

Will not be ready to restart on 15 October, as scheduled. Andrew and Craig to have a couple of coffee-planning sessions

- Night event 4th Nov (Neil Barr)

Neil has had to take over this event from the Nivens due to technology issues. It is going to be a billy-goat event - mass start, line course, up to 16kms, three hour night event in the Lyell Forest.

- Club AGM & Presentation event 25th November

Peter Forbes having trouble confirming venue, may have to change

- 2018 Calendar planning (Neil Barr)

Reduced number of events, particularly at beginning and end of season.

On empty OV Sundays, suggest that we schedule high-quality maps on the Saturday to get the Melbourne contingent travelling up. Includes Kooyoora, Smiths Reef, Mt Tarrengower, Fiddlers Green.

Appropriate lead-up events before major competitions.

6. General Business

- Fund raising idea (Jacqui Knee)

Club runs event as usual, school does all the organising, and retains any profit from school families. Raised with local school and got positive feedback.

Meeting closed 9:30pm

Next meeting 13 November, 2017

**Bendigo Orienteers
ACTION LIST**

New Items

Date Added	Item	Actioner
9-Oct-2017	Submission re Proposed Spring Gully Mount Bike Trail Network	Richard Goonan

Current Items

Date Added	Item	Actioner
13-Sep-2017	Confirm shed availability with Colin/Bendigo Woollen Mills	Louise, Colin
13-Sep-2017	Private ownership of maps, how to handle?	Nigel McGuckian
13-Sep-2017	email members once the 2018 calendar is finalised - members to assign themselves to a role, or one will be assigned for them.	Nigel McGuckian
14-Aug-2017	Payment to juniors in Vic Schools team. Email reminder to those who didn't reply	Louise Hall Andrew Wallace
12-Jun-2017	Julie to put together a roster for newcomer helpers 12:30 - 1:00pm	Julie Flynn
12-Jun-2017	Position description for event organiser (subsidised by OV?).	Nigel McGuckian Julie Flynn
12-Jun-2017	MOU with Parks Vic	Peter Forbes
12-Jun-2017	MOU with Dja Dja Wurrung	Nigel McGuckian
8-May-2017	OTH restriction due to 5 plants of "Mclvor Spider Orchid". Further information requested.	Nigel McGuckian
10-Apr-2017	Communication with COGB re shed, frustrations, and possible grant application	Nigel McGuckian
11-Apr-2016	Website updates: * rules for Golden Sandshoe (on John's USB stick?) * extract PDF documents from dead mediawiki	Louise Hall
11-Apr-2016	Mapping: * Strategy and policy * Draft policy/procedures to handle Dja Dja Wurrung areas	Nigel McGuckian Peter Forbes
14-Mar-2016	Trailer sale; up on http://www.trailersales.net.au/search_detail.php?l_id=1234	Jason Carter

Completed Items

Date Added	Item	Completed
13-Sep-2017	Write to COGB re MTB tracks in Spring Gully	Nigel McGuckian
13-Sep-2017	Send notice of AGM for November 25th	Julie Flynn