



## **VOA Board Meeting**

Thursday 3 May, 2007  
Outdoor Recreation Centre, Viewbank

### **MINUTES OF MEETING**

**Present:** Ian Dodd (chair), Debbie Dodd, Ruth Goddard, Blair Trewin, Warwick Williams, Peta Whitford. Russell Bulman (YVOC President) attended the first part of the meeting.

Meeting opened 7:30 PM.

**1. Apologies**

- Nil

**2. Minutes of March Board Meeting**

*Motion that the minutes be accepted. Blair Trewin/Ian Dodd. Carried.*

**6. SRV Grant Application 2007/08**

- The Sports Development component would be suitable for funding a Junior Development Officer. The obvious task that we could relinquish would be the university club development money.
- One stream of SRV funding is for researching (not developing) junior development pathways.
- Another stream is for building a more capable state sporting association.
- An SRV funded project could potentially link with the YVOC proposal ...

**7. YVOC Proposal (paper presented)**

- YVOC is looking at funding a project of up to 3 years for the development of juniors, probably commencing in 2008.
- They would see the money as being for administration, not to assist juniors with their costs.
- They would be looking to employ a regular orienteer with people skills
- The Board accepted YVOC's offer with thanks. It was agreed that Bruce Arthur would be asked to coordinate recruiting a suitable person and to direct the program.
- Ruth will draft an advertisement for the E-bulletin.
- Other clubs may wish to contribute to enlarge this program?

## **4. Reports**

### **4.2 P & D**

- The move to the new office is now due to take place on 8<sup>th</sup> May.
- Peta received approval for the purchase of 2 x 2 droor filing cabilets.
- The official opening of the new ORC is scheduled for 17 May.
- WW will review the draft lease.
- A report has been received from BGV on their promotional work. This has been very good work. It is important that it be followed through.
- Hurstbridge Primary School is looking to run an 8 week after-school care orienteering program, Peta to follow up.
- Peta will be on Long Service Leave from 10<sup>th</sup> September to 10<sup>th</sup> October.

### **4.1 Finance**

- Reports received.
- BK has still to return their Easter overpayment.
- AWOC suffered a \$600 loss on the staging of the Oceania MTBO Championships. As agreed before the Championships, this loss is to be covered by AWOC.

## **8. AWOC Equipment Insurance Request**

- AWOC has requested the VOA to investigate including club computer equipment on the VOA insurance policy. Ruth has discussed this with our insurance broker, who has advised that this can't be done. AWOC has been advised.

### **4.3. Park/Street Orienteering**

- No report.

### **4.4. MTBO**

- No report.

### **4.5 Bush Orienteering**

- Planning for the 2009 Australian Championships Carnival is continuing. Neil Barr and Jim Russell are coordinating this. A temporary web page has been put together on the Bendigo club's site.

### **4.6 Correspondence**

- Draft management plan for the Yarra Valley Parks received for comment. There is no explicit mention of orienteering. We should make a submission noting our interest in parts of these parks.

- Draft Management Plan for the Chiltern Mount Pilot National Park was also received for comment. This would allow orienteering all year in the eastern part of the park (Kangaroo Crossing, Mount Barambogie), but have seasonal restrictions on orienteering in the western part of the park (Magenta, Cyanide Dam). We should make a submission noting our significant interest in this park, and its potential for the hosting of major events in the future.
- Blair volunteered to prepare these submissions.

**9 New Clock**

- Ian Stirling wants to buy a new beeping clock (\$525). Peta will find this money.

**10 Palmer Trophy Engraving**

- Has been completed.

**11. Website, E-Bulletin and Club Directory**

- Geoff Hudson ran a web site training session focussing on content updating. He had 5 participants.
- Debbie Dodd has updated the Club Directory, and split it into Administration and Event Organisation components.
- The Board believed we need only have one weekly E-bulletin with a combined mailing list. Ian Dodd will discuss this with Peter Creely.

**12 Coach of the Year Award**

- No nominations have been received and so no award will be made this year.

**13. M85 and W 85 Age Classes**

- Letter received from Joyce Rowland (via Robin Uphill, OASA) concerning these classes.
- At national events, classes up to M/W80 are mandatory and other classes are able to be offered at the organisers discretion. Any proposal to change this would need to be raised with OA.
- With respect to Victorian events, the Board referred the question to Bush-O sub-committee for consideration.
- Warwick will reply to Robin and Joyce.

**5. AGM Update and Annual Report**

- Blair will organise dinner before the AGM.
- Warwick will get the agenda to Ian Dodd, with the guest speaker on first.
- The annual report is on track for the AGM.

**14. Other Business**

- OVic - Dion needs to get an entry form for the Victorian Championships.
- DROC is going to buy a data projector.

- Radio controls – other states are buying them. The hope is that each state will buy one and they can be pooled for major events. Approximate cost will be \$610 (unbudgetted). This was approved.
- Report from the OA AGM:
  - ◇ The role of OA Head Coach has been reviewed. A 0.2 FTE Manager Coaching Development role has been created and the remainder of the role has been renamed as Manager High Performance.
  - ◇ Strategic and Operational Plans are still in draft.
- New VOA envelopes have been ordered showing our new address. Letterhead has not been ordered at this stage, as we have the letterhead as a template and can print it as part of the letter.
- 5 Victorians have been selected for the MTB WOC. It was decided to make \$600 per head available to team members.

Meeting closed 9.50 PM.