

MINUTES OF THE ARMY ORIENTEERING ASSOCIATION (AOA) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - WED 1100HRS 09 DEC 2009

Present:

| | Appointment | Unit |
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| Brig D A Hargreaves | Chairman | Comd 2 Sig Bde |
| Maj Lucy Giles | Ladies Team Captain and RLC Secretary | HQ DRLC |
| Maj (Retd) Allan Farrington | Technical Advisor and Public Budget Manager | CPU RMP |
| Maj John Steed | AOA Non Public Fund Manager | EinC(A) |
| Lt Col Colin Metcalfe | 4 Div Chairman | HQ ARTD |
| SSgt Colin Holcombe | 4 Div Secretary | HQ 4 Div |
| Maj Mel Rayner | R Sigs Secretary | HQ RSS |
| Capt Eddie Walsh | AOA Secretary | 36 Engr Regt |
| APOLOGIES: | | |
| Lt Col Chris Sanderson | Acting Chairman / Men's Team Captain | HQ LF |
| Maj Paul McClellan | Men's Development Captain | 13 Med Evac Sqn RAMC |
| Maj John Owens | Mapping and Advisor | CVHQ R Sigs |
| Maj Bruce Spence | 2 Div and TA Secretary | Northumbria ACF |
| SSgt Robert Head | 5 Div Secretary | 25 Engr Regt |
| Lt Col (Retd) Tony Farrow | BFG Chairman | UKSC |
| Maj Steve Collinson | Cyprus Secretary | HQ BFC |
| WO1 Jim Martin | RA Secretary (acting) | ARTCEN |
| Lt Col Charles Bromley Gardner | RAC Secretary | DGS MOD |
| WO2 Clint Porteus | REME Secretary | 4 Regt RA |
| WO1 Lou Conibear MBE | RLC Secretary | HQ LF |
| WO1 Tom Murphy | AGC Secretary | MAS(A) |
| Capt Barney Barnett | APTC Secretary (acting) | ATR Winchester |
| Capt Bernie Fowler | AAC Secretary | 3 Regt AAC |
| Maj Pete Helme | RE Secretary | RSME |

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| 1 | OPENING REMARKS | <p>a. The Chairman welcomed those in attendance and apologised for being unable to attend the previous meeting held on 29 Jul 2009. He thanked Lt Col Chris Sanderson for deputising at the meeting.</p> <p>b. Further work is required on the AOA Event / Fixtures Proposal. Details to follow.</p> | Info |
| 2 | CONFIRMATION OF RECORD OF DECISIONS | a. Confirmation is required on the ownership of the 'old' 4 Div Minor Unit orienteering trophy discovered | Secretary |

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| | FROM LAST MEETING | by the AAC Secretary. | |
| 3 | OUTSTANDING ACTIONS | <p>a. Mapping update. An update was given by the Technical Advisor.</p> <p>b. Public Fund update. The Public Budget Manager gave an update including a brief on the new funding system including the extant UIN that is used.</p> <p>c. AOA Certificate to be distributed. The AOA certificates have been signed by the Chairman and the secretary is to distribute the certificates to the following personnel: Richard Barrett, Axel Blomquist, Colin Dixon, Alan Farrington, Alan Honey, Rachel Parker, John Owen, Dave Rollins, Sarah Rollins and Phil Stuart.</p> <p>d. Corps identification on BAOC results. The cost required to change the data-base to identify runners 'Cap Badge' was deemed excessive. This proposal has now been dropped.</p> | <p>Info</p> <p>Info</p> <p>Secretary</p> <p>Info</p> |
| 4 | LEAGUE BRIEFS | <p>Leagues Results & Events Update:</p> <p>a. Military League (South) (formerly 4 Div). Report Attached.</p> <p>b. Military League (North) (formerly 2 Div). Report Attached.</p> <p>c. 5 Div. The secretary gave a verbal brief on the 5 Div League. One event has taken place on 18 Nov 09 hoisted by 3 R Anglian at Friday Wood in Colchester. 33 runners participated.</p> <p>d. NI. The secretary gave a verbal brief on the NI League. 11 events are planned for the season and the 6th event took place on 2 Dec 09. Attendance figures have been; 35, 11, 33, 19, 43 and 25.</p> <p>e. Cyprus. The secretary gave a verbal brief from an email received from the Cyprus Secretary. The league has been suspended after the 1st race due to travel budget restraints. It is hoped the restart the league in the New Year and the Championships are still planned towards the end of the season.</p> <p>f. BAOC Germany. Report Attached</p> | <p>Info</p> <p>Info</p> <p>Info</p> <p>Info</p> <p>Info</p> <p>Info</p> |
| 5 | ARMS & CORPS BRIEFS | <p>a. RAC. The RAC Chairman sent an email to the secretary from Afghanistan sending his apologies to the Chairman and had nothing further to report.</p> <p>b. RA. There was no RA report.</p> <p>c. RE. Report Attached.</p> <p>d. R Sigs. The R Sigs secretary gave a verbal brief including the 14 runners who took part in the Scottish 6 Days event, attendance at the Inter Corps, Inter Services representation and the R Sigs Championships.</p> <p>e. Infantry. The Infantry Secretary sent an email</p> | Info |

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| | | <p>to the secretary from Iraq sending his apologies to the Chairman and had nothing to report</p> <p>f. RLC. The Ladies Team Manager gave a verbal brief on the RLC representation at Army and Combined Services. She also gave a brief on the RLC performance at the Inter Corps.</p> <p>g. REME. The 4 Div Chairman gave a verbal brief including EX SILVER HORSE the REME attendance at the Scottish 6 Days event, Army Squad representation, performance at the Inter Corps and the REME Championships.</p> <p>h. AGC. Report Attached.</p> <p>i. APTC. Report Attached.</p> <p>j. AAC. Report Attached.</p> <p>k. TA. Report Attached.</p> | |
| 6 | EVENTS | <p>Army & Corps Championship Results & Planning:</p> <p>a. Inter Services. The team list for the Inter Services will be distributed earlier from now on.</p> <p>b. Army Nights & Shorts. The AAC will still organise these events as directed. Details to follow.</p> <p>c. Army Team. The Army has the lead for the Combined Services Team race due to take place on 13/14 Mar 2010 against the British University Combined Sport (BUCS) hosted by Bristol University. The Ladies Team Manager gave a verbal brief on the team for the event selected from the Inter Services Match that took place on 01 Nov 09.</p> <p>c. Inter Corps. The Inter Corps event took place at Blackheath and Bramshott on 28/29 Nov 09. The Chairman expressed his thanks to GO and SLOW for two excellent events and facilitating the Inter Corps Event. Thanks also went to the R Sigs as the organising Corps for the event.</p> | Info |
| 7 | AOA TEAMS | <p>Training & Events planned in 2009/2010</p> <p>a. Combined Services. See Events Proposal.</p> <p>b. Inter Services 10. See Events Proposal.</p> <p>c. Development Squad. See Events Proposal.</p> | Info |
| 8 | COURSES | <p>a. Orienteering Courses. Report Attached.</p> <p>b. AOA Training Camp. Report Attached.</p> | Info |
| 9 | AOA FUNDING | <p>a. Non Public Funds. The Non Public Fund Manager gave a brief on the transactions and issued a Transaction List Fund. The balance on 7 Dec 09 was £4,630.61.</p> | Info |
| 10 | DISCUSSION ITEMS (if not covered earlier during the | <p>a. The committee discussed the Draft AOA Events / Fixtures Proposal dated 02 Oct 09. The chairman directed that Option 2 should be re-visited and an updated proposal be produced by the end of Jan 10</p> | Ladies Team Manager |

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| | meeting) | by the Ladies Team Manager. b. Insurance cover for events was discussed. The event Organiser is to produce a Risk Assessment (he/she must be a BOF member). The AOA handbook will be updated to include this detail. | All event organisers. Secretary |
| 11 | ANY OTHER BUSINESS | a. The Chairman expressed his thanks for all the support he has been given over the last 11 years during his chairmanship. He is due to be posted to Saudi Arabia. The new Chairman will be Col P R L Lane (Comdt RSA & AD Trg DRA) with a HO/TO planned for Mar 2010. | Info |
| 12 | DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS | a. The next meeting date is TBC. | Info |

(Signed on original)

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Capt
AOA Secretary

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