

## ***Nillumbik Emus Orienteering Club***

### ***Minutes of Annual General Meeting 22 November 2009***

#### **Present**

Ron Frederick (chair) [RF], Laurie Niven[LN], Rex Niven (minutes), Colin Steer, Jenny Steer, Don Fell, Fiona Shaw, Rob Edmonds [RE], Helen Edmonds, Sue Healy, Marion Johnson, Bill Johnson [BJ], Peter Mallen [PM], Barry Moore, Jennifer Lindley, Geoff Hudson[GH], Schon Hudson [SH], Kevin Maloney

Greg Edmonds

Visitor: Joanne Fletcher

Did you need to thank DROC or Martin and Larita Steer for the assorted berries and cherries?

**Apologies:** Bernie Shuttleworth, Glenn Collins, Joyce Rowlands, Gordon Clark

#### **Documents Tabled**

Presidents Report, Treasurers report, Bush and MBTO Report

**Minutes of last AGM** accepted [GH/RE]

#### **Matters Arising**

None

**Presidents Report** reproduced below.

**Treasurers Report** reproduced below \*.

Clothing stock \$5844

Berwick event resulted in a donation to junior fund

Although Teachers Games at You-Yangs probably ran at a loss the parallel “Sunday event” compensated StreetO 60% profit, Bush O 48%. Levies are being altered in 2010 to make the two streams more equitable. Clubs like Bayside who host many Street events could lose significantly

#### **Newsletter**

No full time editor at this time. The VOA website allows average Joe to “post” items, this could be used by more people with the right training

#### **Equipment**

Thanks to Erica and Bill Johnson for housing and curating the equipment for another year  
This year we added new control flags and repaired the trailer cover

New equipment suggestions:

- free-standing vertical-axis signs for Finish
- White “camelot” shelters could have more walls (4)
- handheld VHF radios (5, **action GH**)

- means to erect roadside direction without nails

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Water butts could be brought full one each by club members to reduced pressure on local water sources.

After wet events at least we need to put aside time to help empty trailer and dry tents.

### **Social**

Xmas in July was successful, Film nights are usually popular [LN]

### **Membership**

New members include Jim Taylor, Mark and Heath Jarvis, Glen Mummery, Glaspole family

### **Badges**

The current policy of free badges to juniors has not been actioned, this needs to be addressed. Street O now has badges.

### **Bush / MTBO Events 2010**

There are several events to be organized at a range of levels:

DUO	YY
State Series	Choke'Em
Vic Champs MTBO	Muckleford
Maxi	Whroo
Vic Champs Long Distance (Oct)	Sandon
Night "Champs" (Nov)	Mia Mia

VOA has mid-term future plans

2011 Oceania at Warby / Yackandandah

2013 Easter at Mt Alexander?

2015 Aus Champs at Black Range Ararat?

New areas being developed

- Sandon
- Brisbane ranges
- Currawong [GH] ??

We need to introduce rank-and-file club members to organizer roles

### **Street O**

Mike Hubbert and GH have passed the 1000 events barrier

### **Subscription**

Agreed that it be maintained at same level

### **Vin Maloney Trophy**

The Vin Maloney trophy was won by Colin Steer, ahead of Kevin Maloney

The most-improved female was Schon Hudson ahead of Janet Fitzwater  
The most-improved male was Alan Watts, ahead of Ron Frederick

**Clothing**

Good stock of Coolmesh, cotton tees, headbands. Past member Laurette Christiansen has donated a number of kit items for re cycling

**Officers 2008**

As no officers resigned, and no new names came forward, the previous committee (including the Public Officer) were re-elected unanimously. Club meetings will continue to be held on Tuesday night, at the secretary's office.

Recent legal changes allow Public Officer function to be carried out by secretary.

## NEV AGM PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2008/2009

Even though the Club did not win the Rockhopper Trophy for this year, we scored more points than any other Club in the contribution to Orienteering component. Using the old system of scoring, based on bush events, results we would have come 3<sup>rd</sup> to Bendigo and Bayside. Under the new system, we came 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thank you to all those who assisted the Club to gain points.

There are many other activities for which the Club should feel proud:

- Our successful running of the Victoria Long Distance Championships despite the weather.
- A successful Day 4 of the Christmas 5 Days.
- Night O Champs.
- At least 3 mountain bike events.
- Du-o.
- Major contribution to the organising and running of the Melbourne Park/Street O Competitions.
- Australian Masters Games based in Geelong.
- Victorian Teachers Games.
- The best representation of any Club at the VOA Coaching Course.
- Our finances are in very good shape and we are in a position to spend money.
- Our equipment is in good condition and we again thank Erica Johnson for the use of her garage to store equipment.
- We had a well attended Club planning day early in the year.

### *Mapping*

More work has been done in the You Yangs.  
Fryer's Ranges Map completed and used for Vic Long Distance Champs.  
Commencement of mapping in the Sandon area.

We have temporarily lost the use of the Toorourrong, because of the disastrous February fires.

Enjoyable Christmas in July function hosted by the Stirlings.

I would again like to thank all Committee Members for their hard work and other Club Members who helped run events and other Club activities. We also have Members who contribute to the smooth running of the VOA.

Finally, I'd like to thank Jenny and Colin Steer for the use of their home for the annual meeting and make a plea to all Members to encourage younger people, firstly to join our Club and secondly to become involved in the organising of its activities.

Ron Frederick  
(President)