

Georgia Orienteer Club 2022 Annual General Meeting

McIntosh Reserve, May 15, 2021 2:00pm

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by Fred Zendt at 2:00pm.

Members present: Andi Berger, Martha Carr, Jeremy Carter, Bill Cheatum, Piaras de Cleir, Fred Dolder, Bill Farrell, Kevin Haywood, Wiley Holcombe, Ron Hojknowski, Les Hollingsworth, Mark Lieberman, David Moss, Patty Royal, Rick Shane, Robin Shannonhouse, Steve Shannonhouse, Sam Smith, Vinton Wolfe, Fred Zendt

1. Minutes from the 2021 AGM were approved.
2. Reports
 - a. Secretary - Andi Berger reported that the club has 358 Full members (60 Individual, 50 Family, 37 Couple, 11 Youth Groups with 211 members) and 425 Associate members (annual waivers only)
 - b. Treasurer – Rick Shane presented written reports, attached; report was discussed, talked about balance and reasons why it is decreasing, fees were mentioned; we are self insured with respect to equipment so we need to keep around \$50,000-\$60,000; maybe put that amount in an account that bears more interest – Rick will investigate
 - c. Meet Summary – Vinton Wolfe presented written report
3. Elections
 - a. President 2022-2024 Fred Zendt
 - b. Treasurer 2022-2023 (remainder of Robin’s term) – Rick Shane
 - c. Officer-At-Large 2022-2024 – Anna Bringle
 - d. Officer-At-Large 2022-2024 – Sam Smith
4. Items for Discussion
 - a. National Meets
 - i. Fred Zendt proposed 2023 GNC MLK Weekend at FDR State Park: Friday: Middle distance from Group Shelter below the dam (Group Shelter, \$65 /day, Picnic Shelter, \$50 /day); Sat – Sun from Lake Franklin Group Camp (south side of park) (Group Camp, \$450 /day: Dining Hall, Restrooms, showers, 6 cabins, or Lake Franklin Event Center, \$1200 /day); would need to stay away from horse stable area and away from the heavily used horse trails as well as Lake Franklin Event Center; motion was made and passed
 - ii. OUSA Junior Nationals Saturday and Sunday: Discussed whether to host OUSA Junior Nationals; discussed whether to have SEIS and OUSA Junior Nationals at same meet; maybe ask another southeastern club to host the SEIS; Ron said most JROTC youth would not attend 2 separate events; motion to host OUSA Junior Nationals as part of 2023 GNC was made and passed
 - iii. Extreme-O – it is up to VOC whether to have the Extreme-O; they will set the fees
 - iv. Discussed opening up SEIS to all comers after 2023
 - b. Local Meets
 - i. Discussed requiring emergency number on all maps; will encourage this, and will update meet director instructions to include meet director phone number and safety bearing/relocation instructions; motion was made and passed to require meet director phone number and safety bearing on the map
 - ii. COVID policy updates were discussed
will encourage but not require masks
start and finish volunteers will enforce a physical separation

- keep statements about staying away if feeling sick
- keep pre-registration and pre-payment
- keep e-stick rental policy as is
- keep no water on courses
- drop requirement to report start number when checking in at start
- encourage meet directors to set 1 minute start interval
- electronic on-site registration was discussed
- beginner instruction – add another volunteer position with time limit on pre-registration form; also have time limit in meet summary (first half hour of event); add links to beginner instruction from home page; contact meet director if you need beginner instruction; need White course if offering beginner instruction; may not have beginner instruction during COVID; encourage but don't require meet directors to offer beginner instruction during first months of the season
- 2nd courses – allow second courses with same fingerstick; duplicate fingerstick on registration indicates 2nd course
- iii. minimum payment to parks – current contract is 10% of registration fees; previously averaged \$80 to \$100; have been paying \$30-\$40 to parks; board decided to pay 10% or 10%, whichever is greater, to parks; will leave this policy intact
- iv. meet director training day – update meet director guide, and have new meet directors co-direct first; how to design courses, use Purple Pen, log in to RacerPal, etc.
- v. discussed fees (PayPal fees increased, sales tax on rentals, second courses increase OUSA cost)
- vi. motion was made and passed to start paying RacerPal fees of 20 cents per transaction; will pay a lump sum amount for past transactions/software updates as determined by board
- c. Equipment and Resources
 - i. E-punch – proposed purchase of 10-15 stations – proposal to allow Vinton to have a budget of \$3000 for equipment for rest of year was made and passed
 - ii. Clubhouse – rental unit fees have gone up from \$295ish to \$345ish; Ron volunteered to explore other options in same general area
 - iii. Mapping – a lot of parks in Gwinnet County that would be worth investigating; Les will look at GIHP in Conyers as an option; need to update venues on website
 - iv. Control flags and stands – Les will investigate making more stands; probably don't need more flags
- d. Travel Grants
 - i. Present Policy: \$4000 max per year, first come basis, \$500 - School Team Grants, 300 - Individual Travel Grants – Middle School and High School, \$300 - Individual Travel Grants – College Students, \$500 - International Squad Member Travel Grants, \$200 - Individual Travel Grants – Adults
 - ii. Proposal to increase International Squad Member Travel Grant to \$2000 was made and passed
 - iii. Add targeted donation option to online store
- e. Online Store
 - i. Discussed new sales tax and service fee
 - ii. Additional items? Decided to no longer offer compasses, just a link to good compasses
- f. World Games 2022
 - i. Orienteering July 15-17, Volunteers, Spectators – go through Anne Mathews if you want to volunteer

g. Other business

i. Ron would like to start a club/school team; will talk to Board later

Meeting was adjourned at 5:18 pm.