

EООC Reports for 2020, from the AGM November 7, 2020

Past President (Peter MacKenzie)

• Held meetings monthly from November – October (12 meetings) Thank you to all. I have really enjoyed working with the executive for the past 5 years.

• Goals and Strategies

To develop technical, officiating, coaching and leadership skills in our club members

To provide high-quality training opportunities for members to improve their orienteering skills

To maintain good relationships with landowners, government, other orienteering organizations and our partners

To increase our membership numbers and the profile of orienteering as a sport

To host high quality orienteering events

• Projects in the Works

-Work on maps updating standards, procedures and archiving (AOA archiving)

-ISOM (International Specification for Orienteering Symbols) updated in 2017.

-Continue to create digital orienteering photographs/video that meets FOIP requirements, for use in marketing and requests for photos

AOA Casino Fundraiser (Garry Atchison) Was to be held March 17th - 18th 2020 • Thank you to those who signed up and came to the casino, only to be sent home. AOA received the Casino funding regardless since we made the commitment and showed up. • A big thank you to Garry Atchison who coordinated the volunteers during those stressful mid-March days.

Events (Greg Yarkie):

• Early Season: A Skate O (Rundle Park) and a Ski/Snowshoe O (Riverside Golf Course)

• Socially Distanced Orienteering: MapRunF was utilized to host over 50 different courses (Beginner to Advanced) on various maps in and around Edmonton. Sent out weekly from April into October.

Two “socially distanced” events were hosted in October:

▪ The first was at Cooking Lake-Blackfoot Provincial Recreation Area.

▪ The “Season Finale” was hosted in Fort Saskatchewan at River’s Edge Park with participation from the local XC ski club.

2020 Membership (Marilyn Edmunds)

Total Members 417

Households; 159 * • Exclusively KRW Households 38

Juniors (under 19) 142 Between 20-55 years 202 Over 55 years 63 Median Age 37

Male to Female Ratio 50:50

Members for a Day 53**

*68 households were new members this year.

** Skate-O and Ft. Saskatchewan events.

Communications (Marilyn Edmunds):

• Emails were sent to members who agreed to receive them, with details about club events and notification of events outside the Edmonton region, plus other information of interest to orienteers.

- Incoming emails and phone calls were redirected as appropriate.
- The club website was kept up to date. Help was given to event directors with producing on-line event flyers. Allison continued to maintain our Facebook page.
- Marilyn also calculated and recorded the club stats for attendance at club events.

Schools Program/Kids Run Wild (Peter MacKenzie/Bobbi Menard, with Dorothy Penner)

Schools:

- Dorothy, with help from Peter Gwinner, facilitated 45 school sessions over 35 days, mostly in the fall.
 - Five classes took part in Multi-day programs: four classes had 3 sessions, one class had seven.
- Five upcoming school sessions are scheduled for November/early December
- These numbers include cadet and guide sessions and a birthday party.

• Schools Program by the Numbers: Total Sessions: 45, Total Students: 935, Unique Students: 747
 Location of sessions: Edmonton: 29, Fort Saskatchewan:6, Stony Plain:7, St Albert: 1, Sherwood Park: 2

Promotional Events:

- City of Edmonton Live Active, Rundle Park, (February). City of Edmonton arranged for 12 free try-it sports including orienteering. We gave out 76 maps in 2 hours (47 youth & at least 23 adults)
- Tri-municipal Spring Info Night, Stony Plain (February) to inform residents of activities and programs. We ran a PowerPoint presentation, displayed maps, demonstrated SI equipment, and actively engaged 32 families in discussions on orienteering.

Kids Run Wild Program:

- Winter KRW Programs: 9 registered participants (Attendance included 12 youth, 5 parents)
- Summer KRW Programs
 - 29 participants registered for Summer camps (33 including parents)
 - 17 participants registered for Rosenthal KRW programs (24 including parents & siblings)
- EPSB Day Camp: - 12 Families expressed interest in a day camp for an October EPSB PD Day, unfortunately only 4 attended due to weather and Covid
 Thank you Peter Gwinner & Anton Goulko for volunteering.

- Fall KRW Programs

- 41 participants registered in Sept – Oct programs (71 including parents & younger siblings)
- 11 participants registered for Rosenthal program (17 including parents & younger siblings)
- 6 participants are registered for our upcoming Nov/Dec programs

Rosenthal Community League was an avid supporter of 2020 programs. They hosted:

- Two community-wide events: Scavenger Hunt Trivia for Community League Day - 7 Families (21 total participants) and Haunted Halloween (Oct 31)-380 (189 youth, 191 adults) participants over 4+ hours
- Two Kids Run Wild programs throughout July & August - 17 youth over 12 sessions
- One Kids Run Wild program in the Fall - 11 youth over 8 sessions

Training: (Geraint Edmunds)

Dalmuir was utilized for independent orienteering. TD2-TD4 (Technical Difficulty) courses were provided as well as 3 more advanced courses. Flags were placed out in the forest to indicate the location. MapRunF was in use to give a BEEP when a person arrived in the correct location.

Mapping (Geraint Edmunds):

- At the end of 2019 we decided to buy high resolution LiDAR data to update the Bruderheim map and to map a new area at the south edge of our Dalmuir map. The two areas totaled about 2.25 sections and the LiDAR cost \$2,342. This was funded by the Alberta Orienteering Association. The data is from September 2018 and so the vegetation information should be quite up to date.
- During the winter, Geraint using OCAD and Michael Svoboda using Karttapullautin, processed the data to produce base maps for field checking.
- We had planned to get Bryan Chubb from BC to map the new Southwest Dalmuir area. This was also AOA funded. For Bruderheim which is more open, we planned to use club volunteers and a mapping clinic to update the map. COVID 19 put both those plans on hold.
- Geraint also made a map of Wolf Willow Park and worked on his Griesbach neighbourhood map.
- Geraint, when setting up MapRunF events, geo-referenced and made updates to the following maps:
 - o Hermitage Park
 - o Terwillegar Park
 - o Kinsmen/U of A
 - o Laurier/Buena Vista Park
 - o Rundle Park
 - o Strathcona Science Park
 - o Mill Creek
 - o Hawrelak Park
 - o Goldstick Park
 - o Whitemud North
 - o Coronation Park
 - o West Rivers Edge Park, Fort Saskatchewan
 - o Dalmuir forest map
- Dorothy made many school yard and other maps including: St Anne School, Central Lions Seniors Centre, Hodgson Community Park - MacGrath wetlands, Rosenthal long lake, Rosenthal round lake, Stony Plain Outdoor Wellness Park, Daniel Woodall School, Evansdale school, Johnny Bright School updated, McArthur / St Angela, McKee School, St Phillips School on Broadmoor Lakes updates, Lions Park, St Albert, St Andrews Park, Stony Plain, Stony Plain trail park beside school