

North West Orienteering Club – AGM

Tuesday 27 December 2022

The club AGM was held outdoors at Roe Valley Country Park after the annual Christmas orienteering event.

Present –

David Blair, Ruth Blair, Fred Corscadden, Anthony McGonigle , Bobby Smyth, Steven Linton, Declan Logue and Ross Walker.

Apologies –

Des Fletcher, Charlie Reid and Rachel Reid.

Chairman’s Report-

The outgoing chairman, David Blair, paid tribute to one of the founding members of NWOC, Noel Bogle, who sadly passed away at the beginning of October 2022. Noel had been at the forefront of orienteering for over 50 years at club, regional and national levels. Perhaps one of his best pieces of advice was to “live your life by a compass, not a clock”.

The Club celebrated it’s 50th anniversary in 2022 and David presented the other two founding members, Anthony McGonigle and Fred Corscadden with framed pictures of Carntogher and Binevenagh, on behalf of everyone in the club, as a token of thanks for all their work in promoting and organising orienteering in the north west .

During the year the club organised two NI Colour events (Drum Manor and Learmount), an urban event in Portrush and the NI Championships at Carntogher, on a new map. David thanked everyone for their efforts and commitment in organising these events.

Treasurer’s Report-

Anthony McGonigle had forwarded the annual accounts via e mail to all club members for their perusal before the AGM. The bank balance stands at £9,947.11, a reduction of £2,021.51 from the previous year. The major expenditure during the year was for a new map of Carntogher costing £2,450 and a new laptop costing £349.99. The accounts were approved by club members.

Election of Committee

David Blair decided to step down as chairman and his sister, Ruth Blair, was elected as the new chairperson. All other committee members agreed to continue in their roles and David Blair remained as a committee member.