



MINUTES FOR THE AUK BOARD MEETING HELD ON 17th
September 2026 Zoom Meeting , STARTING AT 19.00.

Approved on 10/10/2026

PRESENT:

Andy Cox (AC) – Chair
Caroline Fenton (CF)
Ian Hennessey (IH)
Arabella Maude (AM)
Gideon Rabinowitz (GR)
Kevin Daffey (KD)
Kevin Hickman (KH)
Grant Huggins (GH)
Nigel Armstrong (NA)
Chris Regan (CR)
Anne Young (AY)
Danial Webb – Safeguarding Lead – (DW)

APOLOGIES:

Liam FitzPatrick (LF)

1. Review of action log – Andy/Gideon - 30 mins

Action log updated and shared in the October 2026 folder

**2 Review board meeting minutes from Zoom meeting on
18/07/26 - 5 mins**

The minutes of the 18th July 2026 were amended and approved

3 Liability and Rider Insurance update – GR

GR fed back that in August AUK renewed the rider liability policy. The following price increases over the last 4 years were reported.

In terms of total costs historically:
2026 - £14,620

2025 - £13,513

2024 - £12,815

2023 - £11,939

Andy Yates was consulted on the renewal and it is still seen as good value and manageable financially.

GR and KD actioned to review if and how and when we look at alternative providers

The new policy has now been uploaded to AUK

4 Finance update – NA

See updated report in the meeting folder.

NA state he has no concerns on the progressive reduction AUK surplus funds

5 Safeguarding update – DW

Work on the safe guarding policy is ongoing.

6 Audax UK Trophies – GR

Update from GR about the storage and retention of the historical AUK trophies with the museum in Llanidloes. The museum has requested a token payment for the storage. It was agreed that £100 be offered. Action with awards lead.

7 Strategy next steps

There was a short discussion on the next steps on the Strategy. There was consensus that focussing on events development was the next point of focus.

Work to be undertaken might include:

- Sharing best practice, through the development and training with the organiser handbook work in progress
- Building better geographical coverage of organiser and remove and 'bald' areas
- How we manage areas where there is a dominance of a single organiser which could be a single point of failure.

A broader discussion with events delegates and the validations secretary would take place at the October board (F2F) so that a prioritised list of related tasks can be developed and task owners identified.

8 RWGPS route validation – discussion and next steps – GR & others

There has been email discussion over August and September about using RWGPS as the route validation tool of choice.

It was agreed that we proceed with an evaluation of using RWGPS for route length validation in place or in addition to the use of the Google walking tool.

A common set of application settings to be identified and proposed at the face to face meeting on 10/10/26 – see action log

9 Resolution 3 update – GR/GH

See action log update

10 Validation risks – GH/GR (as per mail issued)

Over July and August there has been some discussion about the resilience and capacity of our single validation lead.

A proposal to have organisers photo and upload cards to a common central storage has been discussed but not progressed.

IH stated there are thoughts about making the records held and entered by organisers for events on AUK organisers site the primary source of event data and move away from reliance of cards, but no plans or dates were proposed.

As Cathy Brown is attending the AUK meeting on 10/10 it was agreed that we raise the issue and how we address both capacity and resilience with her there.

11 Stripe compliance – CF

CF presented the current status of the transition from PayPal to Stripe for Calendar and Permanent organisers.

It was noted that Mark Rigby who organises many events has now moved to Stripe

Most outstanding organisers have a low volume of events and have started migration.

ACB are outstanding with a separate platform and payment gateway

A proposal is required for how we manage the migrating of the outstanding organisers, (see action log).

12 IT change log – CF

CF presented the current IT change log that will become part of the regular board agenda.

AC suggested that effort is quantified for each line item to inform future discussions around prioritisation. This could lead to an ordered a back log.

13 October F2F Agenda Topics – Inc organiser delegates

The following key topics were identified for the October F2F

- RWGPS route validation
- Stripe migration approach/proposal
- Organiser Development
- Risk workshop

14 AOB

Risks – Proposed that we require an AUK reputation risk to be drafted see action log

50th Anniversary Jerseys

GH reported that the 3rd batch of the jerseys had gone well with most sizes sold out. GH stated that he did not want to progress a 4th batch for Christmas, but that focus on a Jersey for PBP in 2027