Sage O Club President's Report for 2015

Many thanks to all of the people who have helped with Sage activities this year!

We have had a successful year in many respects:

- Membership is at 185 members which is the highest number of full time members for many years thanks to the program in Salmon Arm
- Good events
 - o C meets in Kamloops and Salmon Arm
 - o Successful Sage Champs in Salmon Arm
 - o 2nd BC Night O Champs on Grasslands map
 - o Sage Stomp meet at Gardens Creek including a Rogaine
 - o BCOC at Sabiston Creek
- Good attendance at meets (821 individual starts)
- Worked with Angie Smith of the Air Cadets; cadets participated in early C events but Angie left for Smithers and participation by Cadets dropped to zero;
- Mapping work
 - Some minor updating only in Kamloops
 - o Several park maps in Salmon Arm
- Finances in good shape
- Excellent cooperation at Provincial and National levels; help from GVOC for BCOC
- Storage arrangements working well and most equipment is in good shape but tents continuing to deteriorate

Challenges:

- Promoting sport to new members
- Encouraging juniors
- Recruiting executive members

Jacqueline Bonn November 2015

Salmon Arm Orienteering Program 2015

Abbigail May organizes a successful Salmon Arm area spring trail running series geared toward families. This year she decided to follow that series up with an Introduction to Orienteering series. The spring series included 5 Monday evening events running from May 25th to June 22nd and took place in 4 different local park areas. Maps had to be created and/or updated for the events.

The events were successful with between 30 and 60 participants taking part each week. The Sage club membership increased to over 150 people with about 110 of those being

from Salmon Arm. The events were a mix of training activities and racing with sprints, score-Os, Bing-O, memory-O, regular courses and more.

Due to the interest in the spring series, David Bakker decided to organize a fall series in Salmon Arm also. There were 4 events culminating in the Sage club championships on a Sunday in late September. The championship included a morning sprint and an afternoon THOMASS event. Fall participation numbers were around 30 at each event. The Sage orienteering club purchased a "School Kit" to keep in Salmon Arm so we now have some equipment locally. We hope to continue with a similar program next season.