

# Minutes of HPH Committee Meeting held on 9th June 2019

Present: Phil Fisher (Chair), Richard Edwards, Clare Evans, Zeni Bellwood, Rebecca Gray, Naomi

Adkins, Nicola Forwood, Lorraine Beavis

Apologies Phil Hammond, Amy Young

**ACTION** 

# 1 Welcome & Introduction for new committee members

New Committee members welcomed and following points noted:

- Committee members asked to put points forward for the committee could either bring them to the committee in person or suggest that the individual concerned put them forward by email.
- Committee members need to be clear whether they are speaking in a personal capacity or as a committee member.
- Suggested dates for upcoming meetings:
  - o 14<sup>th</sup> July
  - o 11<sup>th</sup> August
  - o 15<sup>th</sup> September (to be confirmed)
  - Open committee meeting to be held in October (date to be agreed)

# 2 Review AGM Notes

These had been circulated to previous committee members for comments and some amendments made.

Northern Athletics Affiliation – would allow the club to enter certain events, including Northern Cross-Country events but would involve a charge to the club of £2 per member. Agreed that the question of whether the club should become affiliated would be put to a public vote by September.

PF

## 3 Membership Update

Handover from RE to CE in hand. Summary of current membership numbers:

- 204 first claim members
- 13 second claim members



Reminders would be sent to those members who had not re-joined.

Based on current rules, 250 members would allow the club an additional London Marathon place.

CE to arrange for the auto-submit form on the website by the next meeting.

CE

#### 4 Finance Handover

Handover to RG still to be arranged. Bank details etc. need to be handed over and bank signatories need to be changed to the new officers.

# 5 Club Competitions 2019/20

RE agreed to continue dealing with road, off-road and parkrun championships; RG would continue to head up the fell races section, and NF (with PH) marathon and ultra section (although this section was still in the early stages and a decision would need to be made whether to continue).

Inclusion of the age-grading championship was a major change this year.

Website to be updated to include the recent changes and the updated championship tables.

PF

Agreed to re-introduce 'Harrier of the month' with nominations to be made by club members so that achievements throughout the year were considered when awards were made at the end of the year, and not just those from the second half, which had tended to be the case previously. Nominations to be based both on performance and contribution to the club, separate nominations for men and women and committee members need not be excluded.

### 6 Training and sessions/general discussion

Take up of 'Club Run' had been good, with the first session scheduled for 13<sup>th</sup> June.

Lucy Rider was doing her coaching training and Curtis Broadhead's was planned for July.

RE was keen to lead a junior section of the club and would begin his training in September. Noted that this is a longer-term goal as RE had to first qualify as a coach before doing specific junior training.

'Introduction to' sessions were due to take place on 18<sup>th</sup> June, but there was currently noone to lead. CE agreed to take this up separately with Amy.

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A suggestion had been put forward for a new group 9 following the same route as group 8 but at a faster pace. Agreed to trial this month.

Mixed feedback had been received on the 'progression sessions', mostly positive.

Agreed that the leaders' spreadsheet should be extended to cover the next two months. PF to pick up with Janet Glyn to agree the best means of communicating with group leaders.

PF agreed to speak to the manager of the Edge about recent issues with the back door of the Edge not being opened on club nights.

PF stressed the importance of the relationship with the Edge as this enabled us to keep the club fees at a low level. He suggested that a small contribution by the club to the university may help to smooth the relationship. To be considered further.

### 7 Risk Assessments

PF had produced a draft risk assessment a few months ago. Once amended, he would bring this back to the committee as a final document for approval. Any future events would need a risk assessment.

## 8 Summer Mile

Noted that the entry limit was 400 and 345 places had been sold so far, with a closing date for entries of 21<sup>st</sup> June, which was very positive.

PF to touch base with Kay Jefferies to check whether further volunteers were required.

# 9 Communications and Social Media

All committee members would have access to all social media accounts, with Amy managing the Instagram page.

When individuals asked to join the FB closed group, all committee members would be notified. Applicants were required to answer three questions about why they wanted to join the group before being accepted.

New committee members were asked to read the club's social media policy and bear in mind, when posting as a committee member, that all club members have a right to see the post.

Any questions to PF.



NF suggested that important posts might be temporarily 'pinned' so that they did not get lost amongst other posts. Agreed to keep under review.

ZB/NA PF

Agreed that the weekly round-up was well received and should continue on a weekly basis. ZB and NA agreed to take over from PF. PF to catch up with ZB and NA separately to arrange hand-over.

PF/LB

Agreed as an item for next agenda whether to re-visit the role of welfare officer.

### 10 Social Committee

Following RG stepping back from this role, Nick James had put his name forward. RG to speak to NJ and try to identify another volunteer to support Nick.

ZB noted that the smaller numbers in the Run & Talk group had resulted in reducing numbers attending the Veritas social. Agreed to advertise more widely, perhaps in Jan's post on the general FB page and to be mentioned on the steps before the run session.

### 11 Feedback from Members

Nothing to report.

#### 12 Relays

# (a) Leeds Country Way

CE reported that initial interest had been positive, with sufficient numbers for three, or possibly four, teams.

As this was CE's third year organising this event, it was hoped that someone else would take over for next year.

Guiding principle was to have at least one strong team with a good chance of a top five or top ten position, with another team to accommodate any members, regardless of ability.

## (b) Washburn Relays

John Blatherwick had volunteered to organise

#### (c) Golden Acre Relay

Date confirmed as Tuesday, 16th July

# 13 Triathlon Section Update

No update available for this meeting but to be included as a standing item for future meetings.

PF/LB



# 14 Date of next meeting

Confirmed as Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> July.