

**HYDE PARK HARRIERS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
SUNDAY, 11th APRIL 2021 BY VIDEO CONFERENCE**

Present:

Amy Young (Chair)
Naomi Adkins
Lorraine Beavis
Clare Evans
Rebecca Gray
Phil Hammond
Robyn Johnson
Jonathan Spain

Apologies for absence:

Richard Edwards
Xeni Perry

1 **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

Minutes of meeting held on 7th March 2021 approved.

2 **Membership Update**

Total membership 187, with six second claim and 14 new members, which is higher than at the same time last year.

CE reported that Jason Newell had re-joined as a first claim member and had offered to help with vets management.

RG agreed to send CE a list of membership fee payments received so far.

RG

CE had sent an updated AGM email to ensure all members were notified.

According to the London Marathon website, the club allocation would be the same as last year (i.e. two places) but the deferral of Lizzie Coombes' and Bart Lewandowski's 2020 places to 2021 and 2022 respectively meant that the club would have one additional place in 2021 and one in 2022.

3 **Finance Update**

RG advised that the remaining Tri-club money had been transferred to the Tri-section.

With regards to the Summer Mile, RG confirmed that medals had already been paid for. She understood that Sam Dooley was keen to get more sponsors involved, providing, for example, water for the event, rather than cash donations. AY agreed to make enquiries with Morrisons.

AY

4 **Sessions**

Noted that approximately 50 people had attended sessions across the 7-10 groups, which was similar to pre-lockdown numbers. The numbers were generally evenly spread across the groups but was dependent upon leader availability. Agreed to leave the groups unchanged for the time being and keep under review. It was also agreed that 7 pm park sessions could be reinstated in late April/early May as days became longer.

It was agreed to leave group numbers at six, although leaders could increase the numbers in individual groups on an ad hoc basis if needed and provided they were comfortable with a larger group.

5 **AGM/Awards**

AY advised that committee nomination forms had been received from PH and CE, together with an application for the Treasurer role from Danni Bryant and Katherine Kirkham also expressing interest. The Committee agreed that either would be a good addition to the

committee. The last date for receipt of nominations was 26th April and AY would circulate papers, including the nomination forms, to members the Friday before the AGM. The following proposed changes to the constitution were agreed for submission to the AGM for approval:

5.6 Removal of the words “(including the above six)” which were unnecessary;

5.11 Circulation of abridged notes to take place “as soon as reasonable practicable”, rather than within two weeks, which did not fit with current Committee procedures.

5.12 Slight change to wording regarding publication of Committee meeting dates.

AGM Agenda

A draft agenda had been circulated to the Committee and was discussed as follows:

- *Chair’s report* – agreed to move to the Awards section of the evening.
- *Membership report* – CE to present
- *Finance* – RG to produce the finance reports by 1st May so that they could be circulated with papers ahead of the meeting. **RG**
- *Coaches* – individual reports would not be appropriate for this year, but AY would thank the coaches for the plans they had produced which were on the website.
- *Run & Talk* – AY to ask Lucy Rider if she wished to present a report. **AY**
- *Tri-club* – Graeme Miles to present a report of the year’s activity.
- *Competitions* – RE to present
- *Thursday sessions* – NA to open discussion, referring to last year’s survey seeking members’ views and report on what had been achieved so far.
- *VMLM ballot* – to take place at the meeting provided the number of places had been confirmed.
- *President’s report* – to be added.

Awards

AY had sent a folder of nominated photos for the Rolf Neugebauer award to Sharron to decide the winner.

Agreed no Sue Smith award to be made this year.

Short list for Chair’s award discussed and winner agreed as Toby Adkins with Grace Roberts agreed for the ‘Ain’t no Barriers’ award.

6 Competitions

RE to report at the AGM.

7 Summer Mile

JS provided an update on progress as follows:

- Confirmed that Leeds City Council had approved the event.
- Clubs to be asked to bring their own marquees.
- The Pack Horse were not willing to allow use of their beer garden for the evening, but their upstairs room may be available if required.
- AY suggested The Library may be an alternative, although it may not be available on a Wednesday evening.
- Debbie Brown was concerned about participants collecting numbers and had suggested that one person from each club be nominated to collect numbers for their members.
- Agreed to publicise the event more widely within HPH.

Possible sponsors were: Yorkshire Runner, West Point Practice and Coffee on the Crescent (who had already offered to sponsor and donate £200). JS agreed to contact West Point

and Coffee on the Crescent. AY agreed to contact Altra to ask if they were prepared to donate any prizes.

JS/AY

8 **Welfare**

No issues had been brought to the Committee's attention.

9 **Any Other Business**

Millennium Way Relay – AY agreed to contact Danni Bryant giving her the go ahead to organise.

AY

Noted that the Leeds 5K race series was expected to return at the end of May.

10 **Date of next meeting**

Pre-AGM meeting to be held on Monday, 3rd May.