HYDE PARK HARRIERS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON SUNDAY, 14th NOVEMBER 2021 BY VIDEO CONFERENCE

Present: Amy Ramsden-Young (Chair)

Naomi Adkins
Lorraine Beavis
Danni Bryant
Clare Evans
Laura Garratt
Richard Garratt
Katherine Kirkham
Curtis Ledger
Jonathan Spain

AR-Y welcomed LG and RG to their first Committee Meeting since their appointment and NA agreed to update the website to show the new Committee membership.

1 Minutes of Previous Meetings

Minutes of Committee meeting held on 17th October 2021 approved.

2 <u>Membership Update</u>

CE reported that membership now stood at 285 first claim members and 297 in total.

CE noted that the website still contained a banner stating that club membership was a requirement of joining club runs, which was no longer the case. NA agreed to remove.

NA

It was noted that January joiners would receive extended membership of EA so any requests to join in December would be deferred to January in order to get the benefit of extended membership.

Early bird membership to be discussed in January.

ARY/LB

3 <u>Finance Update</u>

63 Christmas party payments received so far.

The recent vest order had been paid for and several payments had been received for new vests.

KK proposed to submit an order for 50 buffs; although more than currently required, this would ensure a lower price per unit. The design would be the same as previously but made from re-cycled material.

KK had still been unable to establish the current bank signatories with HSBC. AY agreed to call into the branch to try and resolve the issue.

ARY

KK agreed to let ARY know whether funds were available to pay for drinks at the Christmas party or alternatively to arrange a social event in January.

KK

Three LirF vouchers had been purchased. One had been sent to Tom Thomas and Jane Prust had also expressed interest. ARY would check with JP whether she had signed up for the 'Introduction to Leading' course, which may be an alternative.

ARY

4 <u>Sessions</u>

Following discussion, it was agreed that group numbers should not be increased beyond 20 and that, if more that 20 people wished to join a group, an additional leader would be sought and the group split.

For the Christmas period it was agreed to cancel Thursday, 23rd, Tuesday, 28th and Thursday, 30th December. Members to be advised via the weekly round-up.

NA

5 Competitions

Following discussion, the following details for the championship year were agreed:

Competition format

Based on the 2019 championship, it was agreed there would be two divisions, with agegrading applied to road championships only as in previous years.

Club Competitor

Points to be awarded for the 10 road, 10 trail and 10 fell championship races plus 5 PECO and one marathon or ultra, with points also awarded for volunteering. For the Summer Mile, anyone who ran and volunteered would earn two points.

ARY to draft an email for the Committee's review, with a view to circulating in January.

ARY

PECO

Of the 800 entrants at the first PECO race, 100 were Hyde Park Harriers.

LB to email Rothwell Harriers about co-hosting the Middleton Park race on 19th December. Depending on their response, ARY would follow up.

LB/ ARY

6 Socials

Daniel Allison had volunteered as social representative and ARY would ask Romina Masood if she would also like to be involved.

Lizzy Coombes had suggested and was happy to organise an evening aimed at introducing club members socially. KK agreed to check what budget might be available for this event.

KK

7 <u>Committee Roles</u>

The following roles were discussed and agreed:

- Organising Coaches/Leaders ARY. ARY to check whether the coaches wished to continue with that role and, if so, let members know of their availability.
- Spond set up and maintenance NA/RG/LG/JS to organise weekly and let ARY know of any new leaders.
- Weekly round-up NA/RG
- Blog ARY/NA/RG/LG. NA to set up accounts for RG and LG.
- Instagram primarily JS/NA but all were encouraged to update. Posts to also be included on FB which currently had 2000 followers.
- Kit vest orders to remain with CE. ARY to deal with all other kit.
- Socials as previously discussed but KK/LB to provide committee link.
- Relays DB as committee liaison but non-committee members to organise.
- Website to remain with NA.
- Harrier of the Month ARY/CL
- Club trip to be confirmed.
- PECO AGM according to availability at the time
- Summer Mile coordinator JS/KK to represent the Committee for next year.
- Race/Event coordinator dependent on availability.
- Tri-club liaison ARY.
- Tuesday welcome/announcements ARY as default with alternative to be arranged as needed.
- Thursday session owner organised via Spond but Thursday sessions generally still to be discussed.
- Vets coordinator ARY to post on Facebook seeking a volunteer. RG/LG to coordinate.
- West Point Practice coordinator CL.

• Comptetitions – DB/CL, with ARY to set up a message group with Richard Edwards to help understand how points have been allocated in the past.

8 Welfare

The EA recommendation that clubs appoint a welfare officer was discussed. It was thought that this was mainly relevant to clubs with a junior section, which may lead to safeguarding issues. As this was not the case for HPH, it was agreed that the role was not appropriate and that we should continue with all Committee members taking responsibility for welfare, which would remain as a regular agenda item.

9 Any Other Business

Follow up to leaders' evening – it was agreed to consider holding any future events on a different evening as the last one, which was held on a Tuesday evening following run club, was very late finishing.

Mental Health ambassador – ARY pursuing with the Pay as you Feel rep and would report back.

ARY

CL advised that parkrun had recently changed their stance on pacers which were now allowed.

CE to speak to Debbie Brown about an HPH takeover of Chevin parkrun.

10 Date of next meeting

Sunday, 9th January 2022 at 6 pm.