## HYDE PARK HARRIERS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON SUNDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2022 BY GOOGLE MEETS

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## 1 <u>Minutes of Previous Meetings</u>

Minutes of Committee meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022 approved.

### 2 <u>Membership Update</u>

CE reported the number of first claim members had now reached 254.

The results of the ballot for the April 2023 London Marathon were due to be released on 24th October. No news yet on how many club places would be allocated to HPH.

It was noted that the EA membership fee was due to be increased to £17 for 2023. Committee to discuss at a later meeting whether the Club could absorb the additional cost or whether this should be passed on to members.

## 3 <u>Finance Update</u>

Deposit for Christmas Party to be recovered from the North Bar, following their cancellation of our booking. KK agreed to contact the social group asking for suggestions for an alternative venue.

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£20 to be reimbursed to DB for attendance on the guide runners' course. It was agreed that, if there was any further interest in this course, the Club would fund up to five people. It was suggested that the Tri club may also contribute if any of their members were interested.

### 4 <u>Social</u>

#### Club trip feedback

All feedback following the trip to Munich had been positive. Consideration was being given to Vilnius for next year's trip, with possibly a UK alternative. LG agreed to speak to Jane Prust about the Scottish running festival she recently attended.

ARY to post on the FB group, asking for more people to help in organising social events. ARY

### 5 <u>Volunteers</u>

CL mentioned Christmas parkrun events. As Christmas Eve falls on a Saturday, to also have a Christmas day parkrun would mean parkrun on two consecutive days; the same would apply to New Year. He suggested an HPH takeover at Woodhouse Moor on one of the days and agreed to find out the plans from Anne Akers and then organise a takeover if needed.

CL also noted that volunteers would be needed for PECO.

### 6 <u>Competitions</u>

LG confirmed that the championships tables on the website had been updated. ARY, RG, CE, CL and JS all agreed to help with this task going forward. Noted that Richard Edwards had also offered to help if needed.

The question of what points were to be awarded for marathon and ultra-marathon races was discussed and the Committee agreed that only those races included in the club championships should be taken into account.

2023/2024 races – ARY had circulated a spreadsheet with suggested races for next year, for Committee members to consider and comment on. Suggested races were primarily local races run by local clubs.

The future of the marathon and ultra-marathon champs, which had been included for the last two years on a trial basis, to be discussed at the November meeting.

Opportunity to opt out of championships to be included on membership form in future.

### 7 <u>PECO</u>

Two nominations had been received for the men's captain, Jonny Coade and Jed Moore. ARY to check that both were still happy to do it and, if so, would go ahead with joint captains for the men's team. GR offered to act as back-up to DB as women's captain if needed. ARY advised that a PECO@HPH email address had been set up.

CE reported that PECO organisers were keen to encourage members to stay on for food afterwards for the two races where this was offered – West Park and Roundhay.

#### 8 <u>Sessions</u>

#### Leaders' Evening

Feedback following this event had been positive. It was agreed to remind people about the leaders' Facebook group, which was not limited to leaders, but open to all who were interested.

ARY had received positive feedback from three sources on the Stackteam App. GR agreed to investigate.

One issue discussed in the group 1-3 breakout session was that of backmarkers and the fact that often the people who volunteer for this role are the slowest in the group, which is not necessarily appropriate. It was agreed that "re-branding" this role to co-leader may help.

There had been a discussion about re-introducing progression sessions on a regular basis. It was agreed to hold these on the first Tuesday of each month (in addition to Run & Talk), with runs to be shorter and at the lower end of the pace with a social afterwards. GR to let LR and other leaders know.

#### Christmas running

It was agreed that Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> December would be the traditional 'Christmas tree' run, with Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> being the last run before Christmas and no sessions on either 27<sup>th</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup> December.

#### 9 <u>Welfare</u>

CL reported that the Welfare email address had been used and the matter raised had been dealt with.

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# 10 Any Other Business

#### <u>Club kit</u>

CE had received good feedback on the racer-back vests. Although CE had sufficient stock of the current style, it was agreed to acquire a small number for those people that preferred them and may want to buy an additional vest.

Thirteen people had expressed interest in high-vis tabards. It was agreed to order 20, to be sold at £6 each, with the club funding the cost of the logo.

#### West Point event

The date for this event had been agreed and CL would circulate a link, with an event set up on Spond. CL to be authorised as an administrator on Spond.

### <u>Website</u>

DC was looking into expanding club records on the website, although it was agreed that maintaining the championship tables should take priority.

LB to upload the Committee minutes to the Google drive in PDF format for uploading to LB the website.

#### **Strategy**

To be included on the Agenda for the November meeting.

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#### Club Standards

- Issue with licensed coaches now resolved.
- Welfare officer 'gaps' will be resolved once CE and CL had completed their training.
- Compliance with UKA codes of conduct to be reviewed prior to the beginning of the next membership year.

### 11 Date of next meeting

Sunday, 27<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm, by Google Meets. Kay Jefferies to attend.