



Annual General Meeting and Presentation Night

7pm, Friday 15th November 2019.

Brackley Rugby Club, Nightingale Close, Brackley.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

	<p>Present</p> <p>There were approximately 47 members and three guests present at the beginning of the meeting.</p> <p>That number included the following Committee members: Ian Marriott (IM)[Chair], Maxine Sutton (MS), Adrian Crookes (AC), Claire Frogley (CF), Nicola Crookes (NC), Christopher Noble (CN), Natasha Berry (NB), Suzanne Peel-Yates Bass-Twitchell (SPYBT), Richard McMahon (RM)[minutes].</p>
<p>1.</p>	<p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>No apologies for absence were received.</p>
<p>2.</p>	<p>Minutes of Previous AGM (16th November 2018)</p> <p>Hard copies of the minutes of last year's AGM were provided to all attendees, and a link to those minutes had also been emailed to all members on the 22nd October 2019. The minutes of the previous AGM were approved as a correct record.</p> <p>It was confirmed that the two action points relating to track sessions and the number of races required to qualify for the Handicap Championships had been completed by IM and AC respectively.</p> <p>There were no other matters arising from the minutes.</p>
<p>3.</p>	<p>Committee Officer Reports</p> <p><u>4.1 Chair</u></p> <p>IM welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone for their ongoing fantastic support to the Club, and thanked the Committee members for all their work.</p> <p>It had been another successful year. The membership has expanded with the number of members reported at the 2017 AGM being 64, last year it was 76 and this year the membership has risen to 102. Of that number 74 had rejoined in April with 28 new members. IM extended his thanks to SPYBT for her work as Membership Secretary.</p> <p>In the Club championships; for the Handicaps, 25 ladies and 23 men ran one or more race, with six ladies qualifying and nine men. In the Championships, 26 ladies and 27 men took part, with seven ladies and seven men qualifying. IM thanked AC for his work as Race Secretary.</p>

IM noted that the Club had had a stand at the official reopening of Brackley Leisure Centre and thanked those who supported this.

May saw the annual pilgrimage to the Hilly 100, with its ridiculously early start and many hanging around all day to run 10 hilly miles. This remains a great day, and all members are encouraged to join the team. IM thanked Julian Chronicle for taking on the cooking duties and to NB for all the organisation.

This year's Chicken Run (CR) was the 10th to be held and was the most successful in terms of numbers, if not in terms of weather! Hopefully No 11 will be equally, if not more, successful - HS2 permitting. IM thanked Mark Torrington for being Race Director, the CR committee and all the volunteers and marshals. As a result of the high number of participants, the Club was able to make a charitable donation to South Northamptonshire Volunteer Bureau.

In the Summer the Club held a successful Q&A session followed by a social and barbecue. This had been well attended and IM thanked CF for her work as Social Secretary in the year. Thanks were also extended to all those who joined the contingent representing the Club at the Brackley Remembrance Parade earlier in November.

Finally, IM looked forward to what he hoped would be another successful year, including the new idea of a visit by the Club to Amsterdam, recognising that not everyone's budget would stretch to such a trip.

4.2 Treasurer

MS drew attendees' attention to the accounts which were available to all those present, and thanked Alan Gascoigne for undertaking the independent check on them.

Balances for the bank accounts at the end of the last financial year were healthy with the BDRC account being at £2410.84 and the Chicken run account being at £7961.16.

We had a brilliant turn out for the Chicken Run and made £2325.64 profit. This was even after spending extra on new gazebos (which proved their worth with the weather!) and providing medals as well as t-shirts this year with it being our 10th anniversary.

During the year we also subsidised the MK Festival of Running, which saw a lot of club members enjoying the races, the Hilly 100 and the team entry to the Chiltern Cross Country League.

No comments or questions were raised about the accounts for the year 2018/19, and on that basis the accounts as presented were approved by the AGM.

MS thanked CN for his work as Merchandise Officer and reported that the current value of kit being held is £2262.47. The amount of kit sold this financial year increased significantly from 32 items to 81. Eight members ordered hoodies with their names on.

4.3 Club Secretary

RM reported on the Committee's activities in the previous year.

	<p>Following meeting with the EA Northants Development Officer in 2018 the Committee undertook some early exploratory work looking at the practicalities of running a junior section. However, the requirements for premises, policies & procedures and trained leaders made it impractical for the Club at this time.</p> <p>This year we have trained a number of new session leaders; Rachel Prior, NC, SPYBT and CN. In addition, CF and Michael Bishop are currently undertaking the coaching course.</p> <p>Other members have taken up new responsibilities. Many thanks to CN who stood down after sterling work as ‘Captain Muddylugs’ our cross country team captain with the baton being ably picked up by Julian Chronicle. Nikki Jenkins had to stand down as GPG leader following her accident so MS took this on. Christine Bridger became our new ‘newshound’ liaising with the press, taking over from CN.</p> <p>This year the Club provided the opportunity for members to buy ‘in case of emergency’ tags. Forty-two sets were sold in the first round and we are currently taking orders for more (RM thanked Louise Follner for testing them out at a recent event!).</p> <p>RM noted that England Athletics (EA) is raising its fee for registering each runner from £15 to £16 from April. The Club affiliation fee will remain at £150 per annum. So approximately £17.50 of the current £26 Club renewal membership fee goes to EA.</p> <p>RM thanked NC for all work she does in the background keeping our website up and running, fielding all incoming emails to Club mailbox and producing the new E-newsletter, which has been extremely well received.</p> <p>RM finished by thanking all members for making it such a great club to be a member of with its friendly, supportive and positive ethos that provides a real team spirit. Other sports clubs struggle to get volunteers, but we have 12 leaders, a full committee, and never a shortage of volunteers for Chicken Run, TT marshalling, manning stands, Parkrun takeover, supporting GPG, and so on.</p>								
4.	<p>Questions from Members to the Club Committee</p> <p>No questions were put to the committee from the members present.</p>								
5.	<p>Resignation of the Committee</p> <p>The Committee resigned en masse, as required by the Club constitution.</p>								
6.	<p>Election of New Committee</p> <p>All committee positions were filled, as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="293 1921 1362 2065"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="293 1921 549 1995"><u>Position</u></th> <th data-bbox="549 1921 826 1995"><u>Appointed</u></th> <th data-bbox="826 1921 1091 1995"><u>Nominator</u></th> <th data-bbox="1091 1921 1362 1995"><u>Second</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="293 1995 549 2065">Chair</td> <td data-bbox="549 1995 826 2065">Ian Marriott (R)</td> <td data-bbox="826 1995 1091 2065">Gareth Mead</td> <td data-bbox="1091 1995 1362 2065">Nicola Crookes</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Nominator</u>	<u>Second</u>	Chair	Ian Marriott (R)	Gareth Mead	Nicola Crookes
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	Treasurer	Maxine Sutton(R)	Eoin Tweeddale	Anne-Marie Gordon
	Club Secretary	Richard McMahon (R)	Christopher Noble	Claire Frogley
	Race Secretary	Serge Daval	Christopher Noble	Nicola Crookes
	Membership Secretary	Suzanne Peel-Yates Bass-Twitchell (R)	Maxine Sutton	Michael Bishop
	Social Secretary	Chloë Plester	Maxine Sutton	Cheryl Torrington
	Webmaster	Nicola Crookes (R)	Ian Marriott	Adrian Crookes
	Merchandise Officer	Christopher Noble (R)	Serge Daval	Julian Chronicle
	General Member	Natasha Berry (R)	Nicola Crookes	Eoin Tweeddale
	General Member	Sarah Scott	Cheryl Torrington	Chloë Plester
	(R) denotes re-elected.			
7.	Any Other Business No other items of business were raised.			
8.	Date and Time of Next Meeting The date of the 2020 meeting will be announced in due course.			

Record of the Presentation Evening

Presentation of Awards

2019 Ladies' Championship

Champion: Nicola Crookes
2nd Place: Heidi Carruthers
3rd Place: Louise Follner

2019 Men's Championship

Champion: James Olliffe
2nd Place: Christopher Noble
3rd Place: Kevin Tustain

2019 Ladies' Handicap Championship

Champion: Siobon Herring
2nd Place: Nicola Crookes
3rd Place: Chloë Plester

2019 Men's Handicap Championship

Champion: Christopher Noble

2nd Place: Tom Frogley
3rd Place: Adrian Crookes

2019 Time Trial

Champion: Rodney Stewart
2nd place: Sarah Scott
3rd Place: Libby Foster

Club Standards

2019 Bronze Award

Natasha Berry, Brad Hook, Anne-Marie Gordon, Alasdair MacSporran, Michael Bishop, Deb Payton.

2019 Silver Award

Turgay Alihos, Richard McMahon, Stuart Coomber, Toby Cartwright, Louise Follner, Karine Peter, Sarah Scott, Maxine Sutton, Mark Poulton

2019 Gold Award

Sue Torrance, Nicola Crookes, Kevin Tustain, Adrian Crookes, Rachel Prior , Serge Daval

2019 Platinum Award

Christopher Noble, James Olliffe

Members' Awards

Club Person of the year: Richard McMahon
Club Achiever of the year: Natasha Berry

Chairman's Award

A special recognition award from the Chair to a member of the Club; this year's recipients was Mark and Cheryl Torrington for overcoming extraordinary challenges in the year.

Gifts were presented as tokens of thanks to out-going committee members Claire Frogley and Adrian Crookes by Ian Marriott.

Draw of Ballot for Entry to Virgin Money London Marathon

The draw was made by Ian Marriott.

Winner: Stuart Coomber (Reserve: Eoin Tweeddale)