

Committee Meeting

7.30 pm Wednesday 21 September 2022

39 Robin Ride, Brackley.

MINUTES

	Item	Action
1.	Present Julian Chronicle (JC)[Chair], Louise Follner (LF) [Minutes], Chris Noble (CN), Maxine Sutton (MS), Natasha Berry (NB), Sarah Scott (SS), Kim Fox (KF), Nicola Crookes (NC), Michael Bishop (MB)	
2.	Apologies for absence Suzanne Peel-Yates Bass-Twitchell (SPYBT), Serge Daval (SD)	
3.	Accuracy of minutes of meeting 20 June 2022 The minutes were approved.	
4.	Chairman JC thanked Frances for her hard work on making this year's time trial a success, although noted that the attendance for the final was low. He also commented on the return of the Chicken Run and thanked all involved for their hard work. He noted issues to be reviewed for next year include the Katharine House partnership, when to run the race (June or September), the distance being slightly short and the impact that HS2 may have next year.	
	Treasurer MS provided a breakdown of the Chicken Run costs from the last staging of the event in 2019 compared to this year and noted that costs had increased a lot, and hence profit was down from 2019. The bank accounts are still looking healthy and she raised the question of whether we will consider a charitable donation, like normal. She also mentioned the idea of trying to sell the leftover Chicken Run t-shirts at the AGM. Club Secretary	

No report.

Membership Secretary

SPYBT sent a report prior to the meeting, stating that membership is healthy with 90 members on the EA, 4 honoury members and 12 C25K members.

Merchandise Officer

CN continued the earlier discussion regarding selling the surplus Chicken Run t-shirts, including the old year's style. NB said that she was happy to put some advertising together if CN provided her pictures of the kit.

LF asked CN what progress he had made on sourcing a new ICE tag supplier. This has yet to be completed, with some people also raising the question of ICE wristbands instead and so CN will look into both of these options.

Race Secretary

No report

Social Secretary

KF first discussed the AGM as she has obtained quotes from various venues (Town Hall, Egerton Hall, Rugby Club and Football Club). It was agreed that we would go for the rugby club on the 25 November due to the council venues not having a bar. The evening is planned for 7-11, with the AGM running until 8.30 and then partners welcome to attend after this for the review of the year.

KF also discussed the coffee mornings as these have been held at Brackley Central Café but some people have been put off by the one star food rating. KF therefore suggested she would contact other local venues in town to see if they could accommodate a large group and would be willing to offer a discount.

KF also discussed the Christmas Party (see point 6)

Webmaster

NC also suggested a newsletter be sent out, with topics including C25K, club standard changing to a full 12 month period, cross country, Christmas Party, t-shirts, sessions/welfare, AGM/Club person of the year nominations, CR thank you.

Head Coach

No update

Welfare Officer

SS reported that no concerns or complaints had been received.

SS stated that Nichola Harman has still been unable to obtain a DBS check in her role as welfare officer and LF agreed to follow this up.

CN

LF

5.	Cross Country	
	JC commented that the cross country season was due to begin and noted that we were lighter on numbers last year. He confirmed that the club will again pay for the entrance and suggested using one of the newer gazebos which were purchased for the Chicken Run, which was agreed.	
	It was suggested that we focus on the social aspect to encourage participation as it is felt that the 'competitive' reputation may be deterring some members from participating.	
	JC also confirmed that we would need to provide a marshall again at Shotover, which LF said she may be able to fill. It was also suggested that JC pin a post in the Facebook group so people can easily see the dates.	
	Christmas Party	
6.	KF confirmed that the rugby club is booked for 9 December with the deposit now paid. We discussed the catering options as she had obtained various quotes. It was agreed by the majority that the focus should be on keeping the tickets at a reasonable cost and ensuring that no one would have to clean up after the caterers.	
	KF had also obtained a quote from a local band (£360, rather than the £800 paid last year). Although we had previously agreed to save costs by not having a band, it was agreed that lots of members enjoyed a band and so it was suggested by most to go with the cheapest catering option (pizza) to enable us to also book a band.	
	KF agreed to follow up with the band and caterers to ensure both were still available and met our requirements.	KF
	Parkrun Takeover	
7.	LF raised this as it has previously been advertised on the club Facebook page that we would be holding a BDRC takeover at Bucks parkrun on 5 November to coincide with the 'graduation' run of the currently running C25K group.	
	Several committee members confirmed they would be able to attend. It was also agreed that if we had more volunteers than necessary, some members should also run to help offer further support.	
	As previously discussed, KF to arrange coffee morning after this.	
	AGM	
	It had earlier been agreed that this would be held on 25 November.	
8.	In respect of the committee for next year, all present members confirmed that they plan to stand for re-election. It was believed that SD planned to stand down and so LF agreed to follow this up.	
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	NC also raised the issue of arranging trophies. As this is a large expense, LF asked if members would be worried about receiving trophies, but it was agreed by that majority of members that they liked receiving trophies.	
9.	Any Other Business Hilly NB commented that we could not get a team together for the Hilly this year, and this has been an issue for the last couple of times we have participated. She suggested looking at alternative events the club could participate in and suggested Culworth marathon challenge may be a good alternative. Several members agreed with this being a fun and family friendly weekend, which should encourage participation. In addition, as this is a solo event, last minute drop outs would not effect the club's participation. Accounts MS raised the issue of getting the accounts checked prior to the AGM. LF confirmed that she has the details of the accountant we have previously used and will follow this up.	
10.	Date of Next Meeting TBC after AGM – Jan/Feb 2023	