

CLUB PERSON

Lolly (Rachel)

"I think club person is really difficult as everyone I come in contact with fulfills the criteria but I am nominating Rachel Prior who always is fun, charming, serene and yet determined for herself and those around her. She is practical and helpful and a great asset to the club."

MACCA (Richard McMahon)

"Every club needs a Macca. Enthusiastic, supportive & found time to run 2 marathons this year!"

"Macca! His unofficial steady pacing of people to PB's this year off his own back is something special and always a reassuring face to see at club nights! I could vote for many though, as so many people have helped me on my running journey this year from BRDC! "

"I nominate Macca for constantly giving up his own race to help others achieve their PB's such as helping me through two half marathons with his constant encouraging drive and helping CP#2 get a 2:30 half marathon time recently. The club would truly not be the club it is without him."

"Has to be Macca, as well as pacing various club members around races he is always cheerful at training and races and always has supportive words for others be that in person, Strava or Facebook"

"He's such a delight! From the moment I joined the club he's been so welcoming and always so encouraging. He shows such support for the club and is so incredibly selfless in helping others achieve their goals. "

"Macca for being the most friendly and welcoming person the club could wish for! He always made an effort to chat to me when I first came to the club which I really appreciated and I know he's been the same with other new members too. He's also helped loads of people with their running, is great company on long runs and has had a great year personally with his running. I know he puts in lots of work behind the scenes and really appreciate that too. He's a brilliant role model not only with his running but most importantly in the way he supports other club members."

"Macca for his relentless enthusiasm at welcoming new members, ensuring that they feel part of the club straightaway together with coaching sessions and training hard. Again, difficult choice since Suzanne, Noz, Choochi or diminished-CR-Race Director Torro did really well this."

"Macca - for quietly doing a lot behind the scenes in organising membership which, over the last few months seems to of grown considerably. This is great for the club but has no doubt resulted in a lot of effort being required to manage. In addition, he's simply an all-round good guy. Always positive, super supportive of everyone and he somehow remembers everyones' name when the majority of us don't!"

"Club person of the year is so much harder to choose due to the bloody awesome job the members of this club do at mucking in and supporting one another. It's so nice to be a part of. If I had to say though I would nominate Richard McMahon. Richard is hugely supportive of everyone whether it be in person, on strava or social media and always there to offer congratulations or words of support if things haven't gone how you hoped. Further he seems to go out his way to support and organise a lot of us without a thought and in his own time, for me highlighted by his willingness to pick up everyone's numbers for the Oxford half. A special mention for the constant grinning in all the pictures. All in all a bloody good egg and someone that for me epitomises the supportive and friendly nature of this club and its members."

"I would like to vote for Macca as he has always been welcoming as well as very smiley and positive at Races."

"Macca does an awful lot of unseen work from preparing agendas & minutes for committee meetings, looking into & updating policies, dealing with EA, dealing with complaints (along with Mazzo), he is also a session leader.....and somehow (how does he do it) – remembers everyone's name."

Mazzo (Ian Marriott)

"Once again my vote goes to the man who quietly navigates the Club safely through both calm and choppy waters without most people being aware of his influence; Mr Ian Marriott."

Boggy (Pete)

"This usually goes to a Club Committee member as they are the ones who get involved with more Club events and organising. Froggles (aka SC, aka Claire Frogley) is a prime example, with not only her running STILL bloody improving (surely you've got to plateau at some point gal!?!), but organising superb Club socials, session leading, bla, bla, bla 🤔 Then there's Choochi (aka Webbo, aka WC, aka 'ooh, there's something I can collide with!! 😄), who is always a candidate coz she gets involved with everything. Even YT should get a mention... 😂😂

However, this year my vote goes to someone who is definitely inspirational and always willing share their knowledge/advice on shoes/socks/hydropacks... anything, with everyone. He's got a lot of members thinking about the way they train with many of those taking up HR training in one form or another, even including myself (so you can teach an old dog new tricks!!) 😄 Despite travelling to places near and far for his preferred mad Bad Ass racing events, he always finds time to be around to help/be involved/participate with Club events. And we all know he owns a chicken costume which has its annual outing for marshalling duties at the Chicken Run. He definitely contributes to the 'fun' and 'friendly' aspect of the Club, but his best social aspect is being a quality consumer of Guinness 😎. He's t'Club asset that is Boggy, aka Pete Faulkner."

"Boggy is always very encouraging to other runners and keen to share his experiences. He also helped out at our Q& A evening."

"This is a very hard one to call, as there's so many that deserve this vote!"

I would like to cast my vote for Pete "Boggy" Faulkner. The reason being all year he's had a very positive attitude towards the club especially the newer members. He's always been approachable and willing to offer advice and help drive / push on other members to reach their own goals. There's been several runs this year that he's helped me push on and achieve Pb's or get the best out of the training sessions. for these reasons I would like nominate him. "

Nozzle (Chris Noble)

"Noz, always smiling and welcoming."

YT (Adrian Crookes)

"YT Ade Crookes - Time Trial Organiser. I'm sure it takes a lot longer than we all think to organise marshals, collate the times and update the results. Great attendance by club members at the Time Trial this year shows how much we all enjoy this event."

"I'd like to vote for Adrian Crookes for club person. My reasons are because he puts so much time and effort into arranging the time trial and keeping all results up to date with the championships. I'm sure it's not easy and must take up lots of his own time.

I also admired his hard work and determination when training for the London marathon.

On top of all this he is a thoroughly nice chap!

Oh and please can you include this very flattering photo at the presentation, I'm sure he'll appreciate it 🤔"

"For managing THAT Spreadsheet! "

"My vote for club person goes to Ade Crookes, he will be sorely missed on the committee and no-one sees the hours he puts into Handicap and Club champs which have become a fundamental part of the club. Thank you Ade!"

"For his endless tinkering with spreadsheets and development of the unfathomable RNG which seems to encourage more and more members to participate in club events. But more than this because, despite his Yorkshire grumpiness, Ade is a constant source of encouragement to other runners and from a purely personal perspective has offered me great help and support reminding me of what friendships can be gained from running and a club like this."

The Crookes (Ade & Nicola)

"There are so many contributors to the club, but the ones that have had the most impact on me and kept me informed on the upcoming time trials, knowing how utterly incompetent I am at checking FB, would be Ade & Nicola Crookes. I know I only get one vote...but maybe it can be a joint submission??!! The organisation and staggered start times, releasing the results afterwards all get my vote. "

"A joint vote for the duo who keep this club rolling - the Crookes! Everything they do behind the scenes is amazing, the time they give is truly selfless and they make the club a very happy place to be 😊"

"Individually they do a huge amount for BDRC, and that would be demanding enough on any family/relationship, but for Adrian and Nicola to both contribute so much and dedicate as much time as they do to the club is above and beyond what anyone could expect. As a couple and a family, they are right at the core of BDRC and it simply would not be the club it is without them. For year after year of commitment, help and enthusiasm, I think they both deserve this award together."

"I'd like to vote for Ade & Nic for Club Person/s of the year, for all the work they do with the Time Trial and Club Champs etc."

CP1 (Chloe Plester)

"How many races!?!?!?! Chloe turns up to most club sessions, always with a great smile and attitude towards the club and running in general. Chloe has represented us in loads of races this year and I think is a great advert for what BDRC can be about, sociable a lot of fun and never taking things too seriously."

Mini Max (Maxine)

"Club person goes to Maxine for her fab leadership of the gentle pace group and around supportive attitude towards all the lovely newbies."

"My vote for club person is hard. There are so many that make the club what it is. The Crookes, Macca and Noz do so much for so many and I, for one, am very grateful. However my vote goes to Mini Max Sutton. I think she has worked really hard since taking over GPG finding new shorter summer routes of the longer runs which we didn't have last year. Also she coordinates it all and is massively supportive of new runners."

SPYBT (Suzanne)

"Suzanne PYBT. I'm well placed to know how much unseen is the role of membership secretary despite the involvement that is required."

Tash (Clip Clop)

"My 2nd vote which is for Club Person goes to Natasha Berry. Deals with a lot of the chicken run social media advertising the race. Fantastic organizer of team events like the hilly 100, which is just the best cake eating day of the club run social calendar, managing the two different start times this year. Brilliant organization of the 24 hour race that she secured this year. Has set a goal of running a-z of marathons, some of these have been run with other club members helping them achieve pb's as well as visiting other countries, all part of the experience. Natasha AKA Clip Clop, is a lovely person to see at club, chatty and good fun, always has a smile and an infectious laugh. For a person of her age she is totally inspirational in the way she conducts herself, sets herself goals and achieves them, and now we have matching nail polish to marathon medals, defiantly the extra mile."

Claire (Froggles)

"Claire Frogley - Claire has worked hard to get everyone together on a social front with different events on a number of occasions this year (when she's not been able to attend herself!) She's also done an amazing job at sourcing a new venue for the Xmas do this year after losing the last one. "