



## Annual General Meeting and Presentation Night

7pm, Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2018.  
The Red Lion, 11 Market Place, Brackley.

### Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

	<p><b>Present</b></p> <p>There were approximately 27 members and three guests present at the beginning of the meeting.</p> <p>That number included the following Committee members: Ian Marriott (IM)[Chair], Julie Waller (JW), 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>
1.	<p><b>Apologies for absence</b></p> <p>Christine Bridger, Graham Weir, Julian Chronicle.</p>
2.	<p><b>Review of Minutes of Previous AGM (10<sup>th</sup> November 2017)</b></p> <p>Hard copies of the minutes of last year's AGM were provided to all attendees. A link to those minutes had also been emailed to all members on the 22<sup>nd</sup> November and were readily available on the Club website. No matters of accuracy or clarification to the minutes were proposed and consequently they were approved as an accurate record.</p>
3.	<p><b>Matters arising from previous meeting not elsewhere on the agenda</b></p> <p>There were no matters arising from the minutes.</p>
4.	<p><b>Committee Officer Reports</b></p> <p><u>4.1 Chair</u></p> <p>IM welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated he had enjoyed his first year as Chair. In the four years he has been involved in the Club it has gone from strength to strength with the number of members rising year on year and the Club having a sound financial position. It had been a significant year with it being the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Club being formed. IM thanked JW for baking an anniversary cake.</p> <p>IM reflected on the year, which had started with deep snow followed by a long hot summer. There had been many achievements by members, whether it be their first race, personal best or running their first marathon or ultra. The common thread across all of these was the encouragement given to each other by the members. March saw the MK Festival of Running. Members' entry fees are subsidised by the Club as there are races on the day for all abilities, and this prompted the biggest turnout of the year by BDRC runners. In April the Club welcomed two new session leaders, Gareth Meade and RM, and was the month</p>

of the successful 'parkrun takeover'. On that Saturday every volunteering position was filled by BDRC representatives, as well as providing mountains of cake for the parkrunners! April is also the month of the Virgin Money London Marathon and the Club had seven participants, including Brad Hook who had won the ballot for the Club's place. The day turned out to be a 'bit warm', which took its toll on all runners, particularly NC who is reported to have cried the whole way round! However, Brad and Heidi Lewis achieved PBs despite the conditions. Tragically, participant Matt Cambell collapsed and died at 22.5 miles, with 3.7 miles remaining. In tribute to Matt, the Club participated in 'Finish for Matt' at the April time trial, and as a result donated £130 to the Brathay Trust. May is the month of the Hilly 100, with BDRC entering two teams this year. We may not have won, but we were certainly the noisiest and most enthusiastic teams. IM thanked NB for organising the day. This year's Chicken Run was not as hot as the year before. We had 301 entries, with 282 finishers. IM expressed his thanks to the organising committee, and everyone from, and associated with, the Club who helped on the day. IM particularly noted the contribution of Gareth Bowden in his last year as Race Director, and also Serge Daval and Karine Peter for providing the chip timing. Subsequently a charitable donation of £350 was made to East Midlands Autism. Mark Torrington has kindly stepped up to be Race Director in 2019, and if anyone would like to help organise next year's event, the speak to him. IM confirmed that the Club has secured sponsorship for the next two years from Avara. June saw members joining the Colworth Marathon Challenge, which involves participating in one or more of the three races in three days, with the total distance adding up to 26.2 miles. The Cotswold 24 took place in August. This was run in teams, with runners completing as many 9k loops as they can. Unfortunately, one member found themselves in A&E. Pete Faulkner entered as an individual and completed an astonishing 114.95 miles. The following month saw members make their annual trek to the Ladybower Reservoir. Once again, Gareth Bowden came in first, undertaking the 50-mile route in just over seven hours. Last weekend Club representatives participated in the town's Remembrance Parade and laid a wreath. Looking ahead, the Club has the Xmas party coming up, and another four members undertaking the England Athletics leadership course. Finally IM commented that it had been a busy, interesting and challenging year for him personally, but that it had been satisfying seeing the Club continue to grow and thrive.

#### 4.2 Treasurer

JW drew attendees' attention to the accounts which were available to all those present. In summary the Club is financially sound. The Club profit mainly comes from the Chicken Run. Entry fees cover most of costs. The accounts cover two periods; the year up to the end of Dec 2017, then to September 18. This was necessary due to the change in financial year agreed at the previous AGM in order to give members a more up to date position at that meeting. JW noted that the Club kept subscriptions unchanged, even though England Athletics had imposed an £1 increase on the registration of each member. The Club paid for the team entries to the Hilly 100 and the cross-country league as well as subsidising runners in the MK Festival of Running and the Club Xmas party. JW commented that the Club subscription represents good value, and that for a small club, a balance of approximately £11k is a healthy position. The Club's accounts have been checked and verified by an independent person. JW noted

	<p>that the figure for club kit in 2017 will need amending. With this caveat, the accounts up to September 2018 were received by the meeting.</p> <p><u>4.3 Club Secretary</u></p> <p>RM reported on the Committee’s activities in the previous year. The Committee had met five times, and following the approval of the revised constitution at the previous AGM, the Committee had agreed new Health &amp; Safety and Disciplinary policies, as well a revised Code of Conduct. Led by NC, the Club had undertaken a lot of work to ensure compliance the new General Data Protection Regulations and as part of this had developed and published a new privacy notice. In addition, as it is the Club’s 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Club history had been revised on the website. Recently, new processes had been put in place to ensure all new members are recognised and formally welcomed. The Committee welcomed Amy Frith, England Athletics County Development Officer to its April meeting, and the Club was in ongoing contact with her exploring potential developments for the Club through training and other support. With regard to the membership of the Club, last year the membership at the time of the AGM was 64. This year that figure has risen to 76, including 52 renewals and 24 new members, representing an 18% increase on the previous year. Finally, RM thanked all the members and associates of the Club who volunteer. Many clubs struggle to attract volunteers for events, but BDRC members are very supportive whether it be to support GPG, the parkrun takeover, Chicken Run, marshalling the TTs, bringing cake to events, taking pictures or serving on the committees. RM expressed particular thanks to JW who was stepping down as treasurer of the committee after two years.</p>
5.	<p><b>Awarding of Life Membership</b></p> <p>On behalf of the Committee and the Club as a whole, IM presented Honorary Life Membership to Eoin Tweeddale in recognition his of ten years of service and commitment to the Club.</p>
6.	<p><b>Questions from Members to the Club Committee</b></p> <p>No questions were put to the committee from the members present so the committee took the opportunity to seek the views of members on two issues. Firstly, the Club had not put on any Winter track sessions at North Oxfordshire Academy this year, as last year they were poorly attended, and the road to Banbury had been closed. Following discussion, it was agreed to reintroduce one track session per month.</p> <p><u>Action: IM to add to sessions calendar and to contact Andy Bartlett at Banbury Harriers to see if sessions would be available in the summer too.</u></p> <p>Following an enquiry from a member, AC asked members’ views on last year’s increase in the number of races required to qualify for the championships and handicap championships from six to eight. After discussion, it was agreed to keep the championship at eight races, but to decrease the handicap championship to seven for qualification.</p> <p><u>Action: AC to amend the rules of the handicap championship so that only seven races are needed to qualify.</u></p>

7.	<p><b>Resignation of the Committee</b></p> <p>The Committee resigned en masse, as required by the Club constitution.</p>																																												
8.	<p><b>Election of New Committee</b></p> <p>All committee positions were filled, as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="293 324 1359 1391"> <thead> <tr> <th><u>Position</u></th> <th><u>Appointed</u></th> <th><u>Nominator</u></th> <th><u>Seconder</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Chair</td> <td>Ian Marriott (R)</td> <td>Heidi Lewis</td> <td>Julie Waller</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Treasurer</td> <td>Maxine Sutton</td> <td>Nicola Crookes</td> <td>Suzanne Peel-Yates Bass-Twitchell</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Club Secretary</td> <td>Richard McMahon (R)</td> <td>Claire Frogley</td> <td>Natasha Berry</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Race Secretary</td> <td>Adrian Crookes (R)</td> <td>Michael Bishop</td> <td>Christopher Noble</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Membership Secretary</td> <td>Suzanne Peel-Yates Bass-Twitchell (R)</td> <td>Adrian Crookes</td> <td>Nicola Crookes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Social Secretary</td> <td>Claire Frogley (R)</td> <td>Gareth Meade</td> <td>Natasha Berry</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Webmaster</td> <td>Nicola Crookes (R)</td> <td>Heidi Lewis</td> <td>Claire Frogley</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Merchandise Officer</td> <td>Christopher Noble (R)</td> <td>Nikki Jenkins</td> <td>Gareth Meade</td> </tr> <tr> <td>General Member</td> <td>Natasha Berry (R)</td> <td>Michael Bishop</td> <td>Claire Frogley</td> </tr> <tr> <td>General Member</td> <td>Nikki Jenkins (R)</td> <td>Maxine Sutton</td> <td>Nicola Crookes</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>(R) denotes re-elected.</p>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Nominator</u>	<u>Seconder</u>	Chair	Ian Marriott (R)	Heidi Lewis	Julie Waller	Treasurer	Maxine Sutton	Nicola Crookes	Suzanne Peel-Yates Bass-Twitchell	Club Secretary	Richard McMahon (R)	Claire Frogley	Natasha Berry	Race Secretary	Adrian Crookes (R)	Michael Bishop	Christopher Noble	Membership Secretary	Suzanne Peel-Yates Bass-Twitchell (R)	Adrian Crookes	Nicola Crookes	Social Secretary	Claire Frogley (R)	Gareth Meade	Natasha Berry	Webmaster	Nicola Crookes (R)	Heidi Lewis	Claire Frogley	Merchandise Officer	Christopher Noble (R)	Nikki Jenkins	Gareth Meade	General Member	Natasha Berry (R)	Michael Bishop	Claire Frogley	General Member	Nikki Jenkins (R)	Maxine Sutton	Nicola Crookes
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9.	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>No other items of business were raised.</p>																																												
10.	<p><b>Date and Time of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>IM closed the AGM at approximately 20.10hrs.</p>																																												

## **Record of the Presentation Evening**

### Presentation of Awards

#### **2018 Ladies' Championship**

Champion: Nicola Crookes  
2nd place: Heidi Lewis  
3rd Place: Claire Frogley

#### **2018 Men's Championship**

Champion: Sam Dix  
2nd place: Kevin Tustain  
3rd Place: Christopher Noble

#### **2018 Ladies' Handicap Championship**

Champion: Emily Cowing  
2nd place: Karine Peter  
3rd Place: Nikki Jenkins

#### **2018 Men's Handicap Championship**

Champion: Kevin Tustain  
2nd place: Chris Noble  
3rd Place: Mark Poulton

#### **2018 Time Trial**

Champion: Gareth Meade  
2nd place: Christopher Noble  
3rd Place: Nikki Jenkins

#### **2018 Bronze Award**

Maxine Sutton, Julie Waller, Emily Cowing, Richard McMahon, Sarah Scott, Deb Payton, Natasha Berry, Julian Chronicle, Nikki Jenkins, Suzanne Peel-Yates Bass-Twitchell

#### **2018 Silver Award**

Jamie Horsman, Claire Frogley, Adrian Crookes, Mark Poulton, Kevin Tustain, Gareth Meade, Michael Bishop, Stuart Coomber

#### **2018 Gold Award**

Heidi Lewis, Nicola Crookes, Karine Peter, Serge Daval, Ian Marriot, Mark Torrington, Sam Dix

#### **2018 Platinum Award**

Christopher Noble

#### **Members' Awards**

Club Person of the year: Nicola Crookes  
Club Achiever of the year: Gareth Meade

#### **Chairman's Award**

A special recognition award from the Chair to a member of the Club; this year's recipient was Maxine Sutton for her running and personal achievements.

### Draw of Ballot for Entry to Virgin Money London Marathon

The draw was made by Ian Marriott.  
Winner: Mark Pouton