



Annual General Meeting and Presentation Night

7.00pm, Friday 25th November 2022.
Brackley Rugby Club

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

	<p>Present</p> <p>Julian Chronicle, Louise Follner, Kim Fox, Nicola Crookes, Suzanne Peel-Yates Bass-Twitchell, Maxine Sutton, Natasha Berry, Michael Bishop, Izzy Clatworthy, Serge Daval, Karine Peter, Sarah Cooper, Stuart Coomber, Anne-Marie Coomber, Heidi Carruthers, David Griffiths-Allen, Karen Heslop, Frances Edwards, Richard McMahon, Caroline Bennett, Gareth Meade, Julie Waller, Christie Lines, Alan Smith, Andrew Fowler, Nichola Harman, Kevin Tustain, Charlotte Brown, Chris Noble, Louise Honeyball, Sara Brooks, Mark Poulton, Toby Cartwright, Christine Bridger, Adrian Crookes, Jayne Rymell</p> <p><u>Committee members:</u></p> <p>Suzanne Peel-Yates Bass-Twitchell (SPYBT), Julian Chronicle (JC) [Chair], Nicola Crookes (NC), Serge Daval (SD), Louise Follner (LF) [Minutes], Chris Noble (CN), Kim Fox (KF), Maxine Sutton (MS), Michael Bishop (MB), Natasha Berry (NB).</p>
1.	<p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>Sarah Scott, Sue Torrance, Eoin Tweedale, Rachel Prior</p>
2.	<p>Minutes of Previous AGM</p> <p>The minutes of the AGM held on the 19 November 2021 we approved as a correct record.</p>
3.	<p>Committee Officer Reports</p> <p><u>4.1 Chair</u></p> <p>JC welcomed everyone to the meeting and briefly explained the importance of the AGM for selecting the club committee and associated roles for the coming year.</p> <p>JC thanked the committee for their hard work and noted that their tasks included complying with Health and Welfare requirements, obtaining the clubs London Marathon place, registering members with UK Athletics, training the session leaders, chasing Avara for Chicken Run funds and dealing with, thankfully rare, complaints from the public.</p> <p>JC noted some of his highlights from the year including the return of the Chicken Run, which faced several challenges due to the death of the Queen but received very positive feedback overall. JC commented on a full race schedule and in</p>

particular, the good turn out at the EMGP series. New sessions have been added to the schedule and JC thanked MB and all of the session leaders for this.

JC noted that time trial participation was good, despite the varied weather, and noted that many new members took part. He also commented on the busy social calendar. There was also a good club turnout at the Remembrance memorial. JC finally noted the C25K programme, culminating in the club parkrun takeover.

JC commented that going forward we wished to remain a friendly, welcoming club for all abilities. He would like to see greater participation in events and XC and commented on some potential barriers for members but hoped to be able to overcome members potential concerns to allow them to come and take part.

4.2 Social Secretary

JC read out the report from KF.

KF noted that Covid restrictions were removed this year which allowed a more extensive social calendar this year.

In January, we began monthly coffee mornings at Brackley Central after parkrun which proved popular. April saw the club curry night, which was very well attended. There were various pub trips to the Plough after time trials and to celebrate member's marathon success. A pub trip was also arranged after a summer run in Fringford, which was popular and will be repeated again next year.

A rounders game was planned for the summer but unfortunately this could not go ahead due to holidays but KF plans to try this again next year.

A social following the Chicken Run was unfortunately not very well attended, although KF believes this was primarily due to the country being in a national period of mourning following the death of the Queen.

Following the parkrun takeover, the coffee morning socials moved to Lounge Bar and Café and again, this was well attended.

KF also noted that the Christmas party is due to be held at the rugby club, with a band and catering arranged.

KF noted that next year she intends to use the football club for an event, due to the space available and growing number of members in the club. KF also commented on the various plans for socials for next year.

4.3 Treasurer

MS reported that the Club remains in a sound financial position

The club accounts for 2021-22 circulated with the agenda and externally verified by an independent expert, were approved by the AGM.

	<p>4.4 <u>Membership Secretary</u></p> <p>SPYBT reported that the club’s membership has grown to 111 members this year.</p> <p>4.5 <u>Welfare Officer</u></p> <p>LF read out the report from SS in her absence.</p> <p>She noted that no safeguarding issues or concerns had been reported this year. SS commented that her and Nichola had attended sessions where possible but reminded members that they can be contacted via the welfare officer email is preferred.</p> <p>SS commented on the content provided in the newsletters regarding safety and asked for feedback on this information. She also asked for any general feedback on the relatively new welfare officer role.</p> <p>4.6 <u>Secretary</u></p> <p>LF provided a brief report on tasks completed this year, including the TCS London Marathon club ballot place, the Buckingham parkrun takeover to coincide with the C25K graduation run and amendments to the club rules.</p> <p>LF also thanked a number of people for their roles in the club this year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charlotte Brown for stepping in to lead GPG • RM, SPYBT and Heidi Carruthers for running the club’s first C25K. • Gareth Meade for his role as Chicken Run chair, along with all of the committee and marshals. • JC for his role as xc captain. • All of the session leaders, ably led by MB, and including the two new leaders this year, Heidi Carruthers and Max Follner. • Frances Edwards for stepping in to organise the time trial this year, along with everyone who helped out with marshalling this year. 								
4	<p>Questions from Members to the Club Committee</p> <p>David Griffiths-Allen asked if the club would consider supporting a young up and coming athlete, by way of supporting with travel costs etc. JC said the committee would consider the idea.</p> <p>RM asked if the club would be considering a charitable donation this year following the Chicken Run. JC said this would be reviewed.</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 1984 1362 2056"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="293 1984 549 2056"><u>Position</u></th> <th data-bbox="549 1984 828 2056"><u>Appointed</u></th> <th data-bbox="828 1984 1091 2056"><u>Proposer</u></th> <th data-bbox="1091 1984 1362 2056"><u>Secunder</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Appointed</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Secunder</u>				
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	Chair	Julian Chronicle (R)	Maxine Sutton	Nicola Crookes
	Treasurer	Maxine Sutton (R)	Serge Daval	Frances Edwards
	Club Secretary	Louise Follner (R)	Michael Bishop	Richard McMahon
	Race Secretary	Richard McMahon	Natasha Berry	Izzy Clatworthy
	Membership Secretary	Suzanne Peel-Yates Bass-Twitchell (R)	Chris Noble	Heidi Carruthers
	Social Secretary	Kimberly Fox (R)	Nicola Crookes	Michael Bishop
	Webmaster	Nicola Crookes (R)	Julian Chronicle	Maxine Sutton
	Head Coach	Michael Bishop (R)	Izzy Clatworthy	Frances Edwards
	Welfare Officer	Sarah Scott (R)	Cheryl Torrington	Sara Brooks
	General Member	Natasha Berry (R)	Heidi Carruthers	Michael Bishop

(R) denotes re-elected.

It should be noted that Maxine Sutton agreed to take on the role of merchandise officer, although this is no longer a committee role as per the update to the constitution in 2021. This was proposed by Julian Chronicle and seconded by Michael Bishop.

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Appointment of Chicken Run Race Director

It was noted that Gareth Meade wished to step down from his role as Chicken Run Race Director. JC thanks Gareth for his hard work this year. It was asked for people to consider whether they wished to volunteer for the role.

JC also asked for a show of hands to gather preliminary thoughts on whether the Chicken Run should be held in September again or go back to September. The initial thoughts were that June would be preferable.

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Club Event Trip

Heidi Carruthers raised the issue of whether people would be interested in arranging a club trip to an event, as had originally been planned with Amsterdam in 2020. It was suggested that a range of distance options would be preferable, as with Amsterdam, in order to suit a wide range of club members.

NB commented that she had already been looking into different options for a weekend away, given that the Hilly 100 had not been supported enough for the club to participate this year. NB commented that she is trying to look at some low cost options, possibly fairly locally and family friendly, to try and be inclusive for as many club members as possible.

9	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>C25k</p> <p>Anne-Marie Coomber wanted to thank everyone involved in the recent C25k programme.</p> <p>Race Calendar</p> <p>RM, as incoming race secretary, asked for people's views on the race calendar. He asked for people to contact him with views on the age graded races and preferred distances/terrains for races. JC noted that we are looking to improve attendance at races in the upcoming year.</p> <p>Sessions</p> <p>MB asked for people to share their views on the current sessions and welcomed any ideas for new sessions.</p> <p>TCS London Marathon Draw</p> <p>The draw took place for the club's place in the TCS London Marathon. Andrew Gardner was drawn as the winner, with Louise Follner as the reserve.</p>
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