



Committee Meeting

7.30 pm Wednesday 12th January 2022

Via Zoom.

MINUTES

	Item	Action
1.	<p>Present</p> <p>Julian Chronicle (JC)[Chair], Maxine Sutton (MS), Louise Follner (LF) [Minutes], Suzanne Peel-Yates Bass-Twitchell (SPYBT), Chris Noble (CN), Serge Daval (SD), Kim Fox (KF), Nicola Crookes (NC), Michael Bishop (MB), Natasha Berry (NB)</p>	
2.	<p>Apologies for absence</p> <p>Sarah Scott (SS)</p>	
3.	<p>Accuracy of minutes of meeting 19 November 2021</p> <p>The minutes were approved.</p>	
4.	<p>Committee Officer Updates</p> <p><u>Chairman</u></p> <p>JC commented that races and training had not been affecting by new Covid restrictions and was pleased to see so many members participating. He was also hopeful of lots of new members joining the club in the new year.</p> <p><u>Treasurer</u></p> <p>MS commented that the accounts are in good order with approx. £6k in the CR account and £1k in the main account. However, she did note a concern as there has been no significant income for a considerable time and the accounts are approx. £2k down since she took over the role as treasurer. She therefore raised the question as to whether the club should continue to subsidise membership/races/kit etc. JC noted MS's comments and suggested the issue be revisited in future should the Chicken Run not go ahead this year.</p> <p><u>Club Secretary</u></p> <p>No report.</p>	

<p><u>Membership Secretary</u></p> <p>SPYBT reported that there had been two new members join since the last meeting, with 107 runners registered on the England Athletics portal.</p> <p><u>Merchandise Officer</u></p> <p>CN stated that the new buffs had been selling steadily. He also stated his intention to advertise kit again via the club's Facebook page.</p> <p><u>Race Secretary</u></p> <p>SD commented that the race calendar has now been released and he intends to advertise races on the Facebook page in advance to encourage participation.</p> <p>JC also commented that he had been contacted by the organisers of the Colworth 5 mile race and asked if this could be put in our Club Championship calendar.</p> <p>SD also noted that the dates for the Buckingham half and Northampton 10k races have both been confirmed as 15 May. NB commented that this date has also been confirmed for the Hilly 100. It was agreed to therefore remove Northampton 10k from the race calendar to encourage members to support Buckingham's race, as a fellow local club, and the Hilly 100, as an ever popular event in the club's calendar.</p> <p>This also prompted discussion regarding the Hilly 100 as NB noted that we have previously had lots of people drop out at short notice, causing logistical issues. It was agreed that the club will continue to pay for this event, but we will ask for a £10 refundable deposit per person this year to try and ensure that we do not encounter the same issues. NB agreed to promote this event on the Facebook page.</p> <p><u>Social Secretary</u></p> <p>The success of the Christmas zoom quiz was noted. KF proposed a coffee social after the upcoming Club Champs parkrun in addition to a pub trip being arranged for the end of RED January. It was agreed that both of these events would not be breaching any current Covid restrictions. KF suggested the coffee social be held at Brackley Central due to their large outside area and good parking and said she would be in touch with them to try and arrange a club discount.</p> <p><u>Webmaster</u></p> <p>NC reported that the Club Champs page has been updated, along with the details of the time trial, which is being run by Frances Edwards this year.</p> <p>She also suggested a newsletter to sent out early next week with topics to be covered including kit, Hilly 100, Club champs, appeal for new LiRF's.</p> <p><u>Head Coach</u></p>	<p>CN</p> <p>NB</p> <p>KF</p> <p>NC</p>
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	<p>MB suggested that he would like to include some new sessions which focus on drills and technique. He would also like to look at running some shorter interval sessions and a few possible locations were discussed.</p> <p>MB also commented on the impact of the HS2 work on summer routes as it is already known to have affected several routes. MB to review if routes are still feasible prior to switching over from winter routes.</p> <p>He also commented on the need for more session leaders due to a number of leaders being unavailable due to injury or other commitments. An online CiRF course is upcoming in March and a LiRF course is in February. It was suggested that volunteers were asked for in the upcoming newsletter, along with directly approaching a few members who regularly attend sessions.</p> <p>CN asked if we need to consider having 2 leaders per session in summer if the club will continue to offer a XC and road option as per last summer. JC suggested this be reviewed at the next meeting.</p>	MB
5.	<p>Membership and Fees for 2022/23</p> <p>SPYBT reported that the clubs fee to be affiliated with English Athletics remains at £150. However, the fee per individual has increased from £15 to £16. It was therefore agreed to increase the fee the club charges from £26 to £27 in line with this increase. It was also agreed that the fee for both new members and renewals would both increase in line with this amount.</p> <p>MS also asked for a final date to be set for members to re-join and SPYBT commented that EA suggest this is set at the end of June.</p>	
6.	<p>Welfare officers' action plan.</p> <p>SS to provide update via email.</p>	
7.	<p>GPG</p> <p>MS commented that is becoming increasingly difficult to get volunteers to lead the sessions. JC suggested that we remind members that assisting with GPG is one of the criteria to allow members to enter the ballot for the club's London Marathon place.</p> <p>MS also advised that she wished to stand down from the role due to a long term injury. She suggested that Charlotte Brown may be a suitable replacement and agreed to discuss the role with her.</p>	MS
8.	<p>Chicken Run Update</p> <p>JC has met with Gareth Meade to obtain an update. It has been suggested that the Chicken Run be held in September this year and tie in with Katharine House, as previously discussed. It has also been suggested that the day after Brackley Party in the Park may be suitable to enable some shared facilities. The town council have been contacted to discuss this</p>	

	<p>option and we are currently waiting to hear back regarding a proposed date.</p> <p>NC also asked if the work on Turweston airfield will affect the route. JC commented that it does at present but he anticipates that access will be allowed on race day.</p> <p>The sponsorship from Avara was also discussed. MS has yet to receive any response to correspondence regarding the matter. NC commented that they had agreed to 3 years sponsorship of the event and had currently only provided sponsorship for 2 years. JC noted that Katharine House have links to Avara and so suggested it may be possible to contact Avara through contacts at Katharine House.</p>	MS/JC
9.	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>No other business was raised.</p>	
10.	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>To be held in March.</p>	