



ILKLEY HARRIERS

Committee Meeting Minutes

| Date: September 6th 2011 | | |
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| Present : Paul Wood, Neil Chapman, Malcolm Pickering , Diane Haggar, Henry Heavisides, Christine Matthews, Eddie Winslow, Paul Stephens. | | |
| Apologies: , Jacqui Weston, Jane Bryant, Emma O’Looney | | |
| Item | | Action |
| 1 | Minutes of Meeting August 2nd. Agreed | |
| 2 | Matters Arising none | |
| 3 | <p>Running the Club</p> <p>1. Harrier of the Month - June. 3 Nominations received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave Wilby – English Fell Champs • Alison Weston – English Fell Champs • Morgan Williams – CCC (Mont Blanc) • Brian Melia – MTB (Mont Blanc) • Nicky Jacquery – MTB (Mont Blanc) • Di Haggar - Bofra Results • Pete Shields/Nick Pearce – Challenge (deferred until September) <p>The HoM awards went to Dave Wilby and Di Haggar.</p> <p>2. Matters arising from Officers and Captains reports. The Fell Captain had raised his disappointment at the lack of interest in Championship races. A full discussion ensued and the Committee concluded that getting people to compete in distant races presented a continuing challenge in all running disciplines.. The Committee felt Dave continued to do a good job as Fell Captain and that greater promotion of Fell races would be given on club nights.</p> <p>3. Club Races.</p> <p>Lido Relays/5 mile: Now planned for 12th/13th November. License applied for.</p> <p>PECO possible January 2012.</p> <p>Sport Relief Mile. IH has been asked to organise - 25th March. PW to investigate whether a local school is organising and consider combining.</p> <p>4. Socials. Ewan has volunteered to organise regular sessions. Room will need booking early. Bernie/Vince to be asked if they would organise Xmas relay and social again.</p> <p>5. AGM. PW had circulated draft report from Committee. Agreed needed to</p> | <p>JB</p> <p>NC</p> <p>PW</p> <p>PW</p> |

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| | add information on running achievements and Juniors section. Agreed to keep membership subs as last year. PS to check room booking. | PW PS |
| 4 | Developing the Club. i) Club memorabilia still required for the 2012 Ilkley Sporting exhibition. ii) Christine had attended a WAG meeting. New resource through WAG could assist club with issues/funding etc. Alison Bennet/Alison Eagle will remain as main contact. | |
| AOB | i) none | |
| TDP | October 11th 8.40pm ILTSC | |

REPORTS

Chairman

The summer holiday months are quieter, so there are just a few things to report.

Preparations are well in hand for Wednesday's Ilkley Incline - it should be a great event in its 10th Anniversary year.

Neil has been considering dates for Pete's Lido Relays as well as his own 'Ben's Run' race, and we will discuss that at Committee.

The PECO XC AGM is on 19 Sep and we would expect to organise a race this time.

And we have been asked to organise a Sport Relief Mile event on 25th March. So, busy times ahead.

I have asked Ewan to organise the 'wee gatherings' again Oct-Mar: we will need to book the back room earlier than normal.

This is our last meeting before a new Committee is formed at the AGM, and I'd like to thank you all, sincerely, for your hard work and contribution this year.

Men's Fell

August tends to see the short & sharp end of the racing spectrum, particularly around the Bank Holiday weekend which is a BOFRA frenzy. We've had a few members out doing these races, and also the ever popular Burnsall fell race. At the opposite extreme Brian Melia once again completed the 166km Tour de Mont Blanc race, which is just plain madness!!

The English Championship season came to a close with the tough Sedburgh Hills, with just myself & Tom Adams registering any points over the season in the open category. We had a couple registering points in the age groups as well, but it's largely been another very disappointing year for getting people out to the big races.

Organisation for the autumn relays is under way, and the response for these has been pretty good. The Ian Hodgson team is almost complete, and should be announced this week, the FRA Relays will take a few days more but we should have 2 good teams out.

Men's Road

Nothing much to report from me. There were very few road races in August. I've updated the 2011 road race rankings, these are live on the website. No news on volunteers for replacement road captain(s).

Men's XC

The cross country is just around the corner and 12 men have so far signed up to run in the Complete x/c league.

The first fixture is at Nunroyd Park, on Sunday, 9th October.

The Peco AGM is on Monday, 19 Sept at Adel sports centre and the dates for the league races will then be sorted.

Junior report

July and August are quiet times for coaching with only the running sessions at the Tennis club and the family fell run happening. However that generally means that more juniors are out there competing. On the fells we have had a number of juniors competing in the BOFRA races. At the Yorkshire Fell Champs Sarah Pickering became the girls U12 champion and at the English Uphill Championships Georgia Malir took the Silver medal in the U16 girls event. At the Washburn Valley

Relays organised by Otley AC we entered 7 teams with many juniors competing for the very first time - all our teams did well and we regained the trophy. In Track & Field we have had some quality individual performances. At the York Ingram's League we had 5 podium places U11: 3rd Evie Malir; U13: 2nd Zoe Judkowski; U15: 2nd Harry Maslen; U17: 2nd Daniel Judkowski and 3rd Chloe Tindale. Harry Maslen has been the outstanding athlete of the season being our first junior to make it to the English Schools Champs in Gateshead and narrowly missing out on a place in the final of the 80m Hurdles despite a PB in the heats of 11.71. He is multi talented and in his first Heptathlon event at Sport city he came 2nd - his 3 PB's including an amazing 1m.71 in High Jump (which is almost Harry's height) gave him enough points to be ranked first in Yorkshire and 10th in the UK.

Key to all the 'home grown' success above are the number of coaches who play their part in getting these athletes to these levels. The junior section has never been content to stand still and are always ready to face the various challenges along the way. To date we have 30 juniors sign up to do the Complete Runner XC League. An additional 11 years + speed endurance session has just started up led by Malcolm & Sally Pickering to push our athletes a little bit harder and prepare them for tough competition. Rachel Websdale is about to start a Junior Circuit session for 15 years+ to give our athletes some basic conditioning once a week. Harry moves up to the U17's and to Decathlon which brings in a whole new set of events including pole vault. We have already done a few sessions in Leeds but we will have to look at planning regular training opportunities.