

Wells City Harriers Committee Meeting – 2nd November 2011

Present:

Paul Chadwick	Dave Stanfield	Ian Eddy
Rex Whitcombe	Simon Prior	Matthew Lewis
Matthew Dickinson	Luke Prior	Anna Fox

Dave Fussell (for part)

Meeting started at 8.15pm

1	<p><u>Apologies for absence</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%;">Ian Carpenter</td> <td style="width: 33%;">Bob Powell</td> <td style="width: 33%;">Pete Wright</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Anna Lewis</td> <td>Clive Thomas</td> <td>Andrew Deamer</td> </tr> </table> <p>Dave Stanfield volunteered to take minutes</p>	Ian Carpenter	Bob Powell	Pete Wright	Anna Lewis	Clive Thomas	Andrew Deamer	
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2	<p><u>Minutes of last Meeting</u></p> <p>Previous meeting minutes agreed by all present. Thanks To Mike Brown for those.</p>	To place on the website						
3	<p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <p><u>a) Web payment facility</u></p> <p>Bob still looking into this. A sub group will work with Bob to find out what arrangements other clubs have for online payment systems and report back at the next Committee Meeting.</p> <p><u>b) Wells Race Director</u></p> <p>This position is being sought to cover the Wells Fun Run. Item held over as Mike Brown wasn't present.</p>	<p>Report by next meeting so as to implement for new financial year starting April 12 (BP, ML & others)</p> <p>Review by next meeting at the latest(MB)</p>						
4	<p><u>Support for Local Races</u></p> <p>Paul introduced this item and referred to the new scrutineering likely to come in for 2012. As all of the 6 local races (Babcary, Butleigh, Baltonsborough, Cranmore, Street & Wells) are run in the name of Wells City Harriers we need to ensure that the races can comply with the UKA licence requirements and ensure it is also clear that our role is a supporting one, not an organising one. PC reported that Kay Franklin was hoping to become a Race referee/scrutineer.</p> <p>Noted that Shepton Races were looking for a new Director – suggestions to Sue Cook.</p> <p>It was agreed that we would support races with Club eqpt as available, and encourage Club members to volunteer. Agreed that the races should have “ with the support of Wells City Harriers” on the entry forms and race posters and that Race Directors should notify us 3 months in advance of their race about their licence application and covering all the scrutineer aspects. Simon Prior and Matthew Lewis to take on the role of checking that all scrutineering requirements had been satisfied.</p>							
5	<p><u>Somerset Series 2012</u></p> <p>We have traditionally nominated two local races for the Series. All to consider and let Paul know by Dec 1st.</p>	All by Dec 1 st						

6	<p><u>Olympics 2012 – how do we maximise this for Club benefit?</u></p> <p>Olympic Fun Day Matthew Dickinson and Luke Prior shared the idea of this event. This would consist of a series of activities, entertainment, refreshments, a fun run, etc. It was felt by the committee that May/June 2012 would be a good time of year. Simon Prior will take lead in organising. The committee thanked Matthew and Luke for their hard work with this idea. Agreed that we would envisage it not making a profit but if need be we would subsidise by £200-£300.</p> <p>Olympic kit subsidy for members Agreed to investigate subsidising an item of clothing for all members to the total amount of £1000. The general idea was that the club would pay £5 towards e.g. a Technical T shirt and the member pays £5.</p>	<p>Thoughts to Simon/ Matt/Luke about sports clubs to locate with and possible dates.</p> <p>Jason Tuck/Alice K to be asked to explore for agreement at next meeting</p>
7	<p><u>Finance Report</u> Club balances are still healthy; taking about £900 at the first Street 5k</p> <p>Team Relays The committee agreed that members should not pay race fees when representing the club at these events. (Cotswold; Parrett; Ridgeway; Southern & National road relays)</p> <p>Street 5km This Street Series have been sponsored by Haydn Davies of Wells Reclamation (numbers; pins; tape) and the Committee thanks Haydn for his sponsorship</p>	
8	<p><u>Cross Country</u> The Gwent League fixture at Bridgend marked the start of the season with the next one at Bath University on 13th November. Championship events to note: Somerset XC - 11th December South West XC – 8th January 2012 - Bicton SEAA XC - 28th January 2012 – Brighton Entry deadlines all around Dec 4th 2011 The SEAA XC at Brighton – travel will be by coach at a cost of £10 per seat. Aston Coaches to be approached for a quote. Agreed to continue to use Foundry Garage for minibuses</p>	<p>PC & ML to obtain quote and proceed</p>
9	<p><u>Training reports</u> Mondays – Numbers have been v high over summer and efforts being made to recruit 2 parents. Sam & Toby Bedford have started coaching. Tuesdays – Whilst Clive is away there is a schedule in place and division between a number of coaches to cover (Pete Darton and other qualified coaches) Wednesdays – no rep present but that evening’s session had seen 30 or so doing two different activities. Request made for Wednesday sessions to be listed out so that people know if it is an off-road run; and when pizza runs or pub runs from different locations are due to happen. Saturday - Hill Sessions at Street Hill – next session 19th November at 10.30am Sunday runs – see website for details</p>	
10	<p><u>Street 5km</u> 100 entrants in the Oct 5k event. Still need to encourage volunteers to fill roles. Start/finish area is too congested with people after race. Need to make sure marshals are posted and keep people away from the highway. Extra tape & more robust marshalling will be used.</p>	<p>Ian Eddy to ‘police’ and all to help at next race</p>

11	<u>Athletics Network update</u> Adrian Marriott is now paid 2 days a week to help coordinate the Network; Coach and Club development are the main priorities in Year3	
12	<u>Annual awards</u> Looking for nominations in usual categories	All to Paul by mid-Dec. possibility of awards at Xmas social.
13	<u>Xmas Parlauf</u> Paul reported Clive happy to organise at Tor Leisure on Tuesday 27 th December (11.00am) but not all can attend that date. Saturday Dec 31 st suggested as possible other date.	Paul to contact Clive
14	<u>Membership</u> Paul reported 243 registered athletes. Formally noted that it was possible to get 6 month membership at rates as advertised	
15	<u>AOB</u> Website calendar issues – request for Bob to look at Axe Valley Runners website for ideas Somerset Athletics Committee – New club representative to attend these meetings is needed as Paul (whilst staying as County XC Sec) wishes to step down as Club rep from this after many, many years. They meet 4-5 times a year. Meeting ended 9.30pm	Bob Powell All to consider. Recruit via website (BP) & Harriers Chronicle (DS)
Next meeting 1st February 2012		