

## Wells City Harriers Committee Meeting – 1st February 2012

**Present:**

Paul Chadwick                      Ian Carpenter                      Ian Eddy  
 Rex Whitcombe                      Bob Powell                      Matthew Lewis  
 Anna Lewis

Meeting started at 8.15pm

1	<p><b><u>Apologies for absence</u></b>          Dave Stanfield                      Simon Prior                      Anna Fox                      Clive Thomas</p>	
2	<p><b><u>Minutes of last Meeting</u></b>          Previous meeting minutes <i>agreed</i> by all present.</p>	
3	<p><b><u>Matters Arising</u></b>  <b><u>a) Web payment facility</u></b>          Matthew reported that a facility is possible using a Business Bank Account. Costs of running an account to be confirmed. Bob said that we could use PayPal, but that a PayPal Business Account is required. A decision is required on what we would use the web payment facility for. The options are membership fees only; or with training fees; and/or with race entries/kit fees good. The aim is to reduce the amounts of cash and reduce the number of people having to deal with collecting money in the future. The decision is required with an absolute deadline of 1<sup>st</sup> March 2012  <b><u>b) Race scrutineering</u></b>          Gary Tubridy and Pete Wright have not yet communicated to Matthew &amp; Simon P. Both to be reminded</p>	<p>Decision by 1<sup>st</sup> March 2012 (BP, ML &amp; PC)           Reminder to be sent (PC)</p>
4	<p><b><u>Wells Fun Run</u></b>          Date set for Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2012. The new race director is Nick Roberts, who is liaising with Andrew Deamer and Mike Brown. The licences need to be applied for.</p>	<p>Nick Roberts</p>
5	<p><b><u>Olympic Fun Day</u></b>          Paul suggested this is held on the same day as the Wells Fun run. Simon Prior has taken this on and is liaising with Andrew Deamer. Al and Rosie Thorner have also offered to help.</p>	<p>Simon Prior</p>
6	<p><b><u>Olympic Celebrations</u></b>          Jason Tuck says the shirts will cost roughly £12.00. The committee needs to see the design and know the cost and supplier.           The mechanics of placing the order at the same time as membership forms go out need to be understood. How the supply will work together with the timing. The shirts need to be available for the Wells Fun Run on 27<sup>th</sup> May.           An interim application form needs to be created for use until 1<sup>st</sup> May, to include notice that families are entitled to a maximum of two shirts at £5.00 each with the subsidy.           It was also noted the common sense of Wells City Council in giving Mary Rand the freedom of the city. Thanks to Tony Williams for co-ordinating the campaign.</p>	<p>IC to email Jason Tuck                BP</p>

7	<p><b><u>Finance Report</u></b>  Club finances are still very good with £1,350 generated over the last three 5k races, £1,100 from track fees and £400 from cross country.</p> <p>It was agreed that for the Gwent League that a cheque would be paid in advance rather than collecting and paying over cash on the day.</p> <p>Future expenditure includes between £300 and £400 to be spent on purchasing equipment for Monday night training.</p> <p>Bob Powell asked if we should be advertising the availability for hire of the race clock. Paul C advised that all the local clubs do know about this.</p>	ML
8	<p><b><u>Cross Country</u></b>  The organisation at the South of England championships was good although Brighton was a long distance to travel and the parking was a challenge.</p> <p>Ben Tickner is the Southern Cross Country Champion and Oliver Fox finished in the top ten.</p> <p>Everyone (parents and children) enjoyed the event with large numbers competing. Wells City Harriers were the only Somerset club that attended.</p> <p>The Southernns followed on from the South West and County championships and the club has done really well in winning a number of team awards at the SW Championships.</p> <p>There are two fixtures to go in the Gwent League with Blaise Castle on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March being not too far to travel. Wednesday evening runners are to be encouraged to attend. The Juniors could possibly win the Junior Club Championship.</p>	
9	<p><b><u>Training reports</u></b>  Mondays – 35 children attended on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January, which was encouraging on a cold night. Even after a three week lay-off over Christmas and the new year, numbers attending were good. It is noted that that the age profile is weighted towards the younger end of the age group.</p> <p>Tuesdays – 48 have attended over the last couple of weeks which is really good. There are a number of new people training, who are not yet club members.</p> <p>Wednesdays – approximately 25 trained tonight, with a variety of group paces and runs available</p> <p>Sunday runs – Regular runs are organised from different locations and Kaye Watts coaches a yomping group. See website for details.</p>	
10	<p><b><u>Street 5km</u></b>  The February (8<sup>th</sup>) and March events are left to be run. The series awards need to be organised for March. T shirts to be purchased at a cost of around £300 for approximately 50 shirts. Names of the participants competing in every race to be on the shirts with the same image as the last two years.</p>	Anna Lewis to investigate a supplier in Somerton

