

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 25TH MARCH 2010 AT SANDYACRES SPORTS GROUND

PRESENT:

There were 27 members present.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies were received from Gary Sage, Steve Marshall, Geoff Juster, Marion Oakley and Gill Senior.

LAST YEARS MINUTES:

These were proposed by Steve Hickman and seconded by Clare Jenkins and accepted unanimously.

MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST YEARS MINUTES:

None.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

The chairman reported that the club has had another good year, thanks to all of the members who have given a lot of time and effort into the running of the club. Membership is again strong and sound. The club this year and next are hopeful to arrange new events for the membership to enjoy.

The 10k race had been the most successful yet and we are hopeful that the 2011 event will be bigger and better.

This year has seen some new committee members making a great effort to get things arranged so all members may benefit from the club.

Peter Rush has made improvements to the website which are greatly appreciated, further improvements are planned.

The chairman looks forward to another successful club year.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The accounts for the club were circulated to members; these were a Balance Sheet and a P&L

The key features of the P&L were explained by the treasurer:

- 10 k race has proved successful in increasing club funds for 2010,
- More events this year for members,
- Gift for Ernie and Sue (wedding present),
- Remaining club vests re valued as being sold off at a reduced rate,
- £9,857.72 carried forward on the balance sheet.

Rob Wilson was thanked for his review of the accounts.

The accounts were proposed by the Treasurer and seconded by the Chairman and accepted unanimously.

LADIES CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

The ladies captain welcomed all new ladies that have joined the club in the last year.

Congratulations were given to all lady runners this year in all events. Particular congratulations to Lynn Beaumont for her ultra faces she has competed in including the recent 30 miles at Marshside.

Thanks were given all the ladies that joined in the relays last year and it is hoped that more ladies can join this annual event in 2010. The ladies captain will be stepping down after 2 years and a new captain is sought.

MEN'S CAPTAIN'S REPORT:

Eddie Rodger has been acting Men's Captain for several months. Thanks were given to the committee for their invitation to join the committee in this capacity until the AGM.

The club colours have been carried well by all male members at events. Over the next year it is hoped that the role of men's captain will evolve and grow on the excellent work of the predecessor Gary Sage.

Thanks were given to a number of people for their support since taking on the role (acting). Firstly to Gary Sage. It is fortunate for the club that Gary continues to play a valuable part as Senior Coach.

The structure of the training on Mondays Tuesdays and Thursdays are being continually adapted and improved with thanks to Pat Butler and Gary Sage. The sessions are available to all members and will benefit all both male and female members.

The past 12 months have produced some exceptional performances. Kevin James 1 hr 17 mins at Maidstone ½ marathon. Rob Carpenter 1 hr 18 mins for the Folkestone ½ marathon, 58.17 for 10 miles at Sidcup. Thanet 10 mile race was the highlight for the men's team, as Chris Valdus, Garon Heslop, Rob Carpenter, Ian Cox and Pat Butler finished in positions 2 to 6, with Jonathon Reeves, Rob Butler, John Peters and Mark Attenborough all running well. At this years London Marathon Kevin James ran an exceptional time to finish in 2 hrs 43 mins. Carl Jones is getting closer to his personal goal of reducing his 10km time to 38 mins. Mark Attenborough has taken 4 mins off his ½ marathon time and 2 mins from his 10km time over the past year. Rob Carpenter and Kevin James have put together a series of great performances over 5,10 and 20 miles as well as 10km and marathon distance. Rob is keen to break the 3 hr barrier for the marathon and is wished all the best of luck for his attempt at VLM 2010. A number of great performances this year from Steve Hickman who has completed at least 6 marathons this year as well as Ultra racing.

Existing and new members will ensure a great season ahead for the male team of A&DRRC.

RE-ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT:

Mr Ernie Warren was unanimously re-elected as Vice President.

ELECTION OF 2009/10 COMMITTEE:

Of the current Committee, the Vice Chairman and the ladies captain were standing down the remainder were re-standing.

The re-standing committee members and new members Tim Warren (membership secretary and kit officer), Clare Jenkins (social secretary) and Eddie Rodger (men's captain) were voted in unanimously.

The new committee therefore would be as follows:

Chairman	Mick James
Vice-Chairman	Situation vacant
Hon Secretary	Lynne Oliver
Hon Treasurer	Dave Edwards
Ladies Captain	Situation vacant
Men's Captain	Eddie Rodger
Fixtures Secretary	Nina Davies
Results Secretary	Steve Hickman
Membership Secretary/Kit officer	Tim Warren
Social Secretary	Clare Jenkins

AUDITOR OF ACCOUNTS:

Rob Wilson was unanimously accepted for this position.

LIFE MEMBERS:

The committee wished to acknowledge the significant effort of Dave Edwards Hon Treasurer who joins the 3 other life members of the club.

RULE CHANGES:

The secretary proposed 2 rules changes.

Rule 7- addition to rule. To read "All family members must be living at the same address when membership is applied for". Seconded by the chairman and agreed unanimously.

Rule 20 d and e. changes to availability of reserve places for London Marathon. There would be no reserve drawn. In order to do this the drawn in 2010 for the London Marathon 2011 would be for 1 name only, as the reserve runner drawn in 2010 will be guaranteed a place in 2011.

Rule will now read:-

"The annual draw shall nominate members equal to the number of guaranteed entries made available to the club. Members who are successful in the club draw but have to defer for reason of illness or injury may apply for deferral through the usual London Marathon process. No reserve runners will be allocated for London Marathon draw".

After some discussion, a majority vote was received for this change, seconded by Steve Hickman.

REMINDERS:

Membership fees were due on 1st April; members were requested to be prompt as details now have to be sent with individual affiliation fees to England Athletics for members to get their competitor card and number.

All results to the Results Secretary please.

The Presentation Dinner date is May 22nd and will be held at the Clubhouse.

Members were reminded to give their 'Club Member of the Year' to the Secretary.

The meeting closed at 22.00

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