**ASHFORD AND DISTRICT ROAD RUNNING CLUB**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD 7th FEBRUARY 2013 8.45pm**

Present: Steve Hickman, Eddie Rodger, Robin Butler, Chris Valdus, Gill Pragnell, Clare Jenkins

Apologies: Helen Weeden, Lynne Oliver, Zara Maynard

Sitting in meeting Sandi Starling (club member acting as Hon Secretary)

**Last meeting Minutes:**

Minutes were proposed by Steve Hickman seconded by Robin Butler

**10K Race**

Overall it was a really successful race with lots of comments about how good the marshalls were.

 **PARKING**

* Next year we will see if we can re-use the car park as parking is much better than on the field. We will need at least 5 people to man the car park – 2 at the top and 2 at the bottom and one or two floating for mishaps.
* This year it was a bit too busy and the car park layout was not clear. There are 120 spaces at Smiths and we need someone to stand and direct people to Brakes when Smiths is full
* We need more signs for the car parks – Brakes only had one sign. Also we need better directions in the streets to direct people to the car parks.
* We need to advise people that they really need to be parked by 10.30am to be able to walk to the club to collect their chips and then walk to the start.

**BAGGAGE**

* Originally 2 people were supposed to be controlling the baggage areas but 3 others were brought in to help and were much needed.
* Folkestone runners left their bags on the stage and when asked to move them they were rude to Jan. SH will write to the chair of Folkestone Runners to mention their behaviour is not acceptable.
* The baggage should have been outside and we are not sure why it wasn’t? SH will mention to Martin.
* We need to state on the literature that chip registration closes at 10.30am

**FINANCE**

* We were sent some cheques directly but the number of race entries was 849 officially before Sunday – some of these would have been deferred.
* We paid for the toilets directly and the road guy. We really need the profit and loss statement for the 10k showing the breakdown of costs and money we should have received. SH will ask Martin for this detail.
* It was suggested that £15 for non club members that marshalls is a fair amount to pay in future.

**Coach Travel dates**

* Brighton – 15th April
* London – 22nd April
* Hastings – Claire will find out who is interested
* Also the summer runs Chilham and Lenham 1st Thursdays in July and August.

**Social**

* It is our 25th Anniversary this year and we should do something special at our awards night in May.

**New members**

* Kit was nominated as a new member by Steve Hickman and seconded by Eddie Rodger. He has paid £21.00 membership fee.
* Laurent was nominated by Robin Butler and seconded by Claire Jenkins. He has paid his £30

membership fee for 2013.

* Katie Huckerby will be joining – nominated by Steve Hickman.

**Finance**

* As of 25th January 2013 the bank balance is £6,848.92.
* Claire spoke to Dean about a donation from the 10k ... He expressed his thanks and asked that we make the donation to Demelza House in memory of his niece Ruby and sister Maxine .

**AOB**

* Danny Crow is a longstanding member and a donation will be decided on later in the year.
* A&D will remain at the club until we hear otherwise (following Ernie’s retirement)

**Next meeting items**

* Kit needs to be discussed at the next meeting
* Sort out what to do about a presentation for Ernie

Meeting closed at 9.45pm

DONM –Thursday 7th March at 8.30pm