**ASHFORD AND DISTRICT ROAD RUNNING CLUB**

**A&D Agenda for meeting Thursday 22nd March 2018 at 8.30pm**

1. Last Years Minutes
2. Matters Arising from Minutes
3. Chairmans Report - PM
4. Treasurers Report - RB
5. Membership Report - MA
6. Ladies Captain Report – DC/SR
7. Mens Captain Report – SL/SN
8. Re Election of Vice President
9. Election of 2018/19 committee

* Chairman
* Hon. Secretary
* Hon. Treasurer
* Ladies Captain
* Ladies Vice Captain
* Mens Captain
* Mens Vice Captain
* Vice Chairman
* Membership Secretary
* Social Secretary
* Records Secretary
* Webmaster
* Kit Person
* Any other committee posts – XC Manager
* Auditor of Accounts - Darren Ward

1. Increase of fees to £35 for full members and £25 for non-competitive (£20 family members) in 2018/19
2. Reminders

* Membership fees due £35/£25/£20
* Awards Night 11/5/18

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

THURSDAY 22ND MARCH 2018

SANDYACRES SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB

Present: There were 42 members and 10 committee members present at the meeting

Apologies: Gary Sage, Neil Buckley, Katie McCarter, Steve Wellsted

Meeting commenced at 8.30pm and led by Julie Foster

Last years minutes: The minutes were proposed by Sue Reader and second by Paul Moses and agreed unanimously.

Matters arising from last years minutes: Advice to members of the membership rise for 2018/19

**CHAIRMANS REPORT**

Thank you everyone for being here tonight.

What a successful year we have had.

There has been another increase in membership, building on last years progress.

Park run has continued to be a rich source of new runners and is proving to be a springboard for many to realise their potential through A&D.

We are also very lucky to see a number of athletes moving over to A&D from other clubs helping to increase our presence in many events.

What is encouraging is the active part so many of the new members are playing in the club.

Look at was the club has to offer.

We have Boyceys brutal Monday night track training.

Mollies Tuesday night speed sessions. These will improve your running, guaranteed, and you will not get any better encouragement and coaching, anywhere.

Steve has his Tuesday black toe nail gang torch light trail run.

Thursdays multi-group runs suit all abilities from the Cheetahs to the Turtles showing what an inclusive club we are. Thank you to all who organise the groups in advance of the mass gallop down Sandyhurst Lane, in particular Sue and Stu.

Mollie runs a great core strength session on a Thursday night. Try it, you may ache a little but it is worth it.

On top of this there are many impromptu group runs thrown into the mix.

And thanks to all the cake makers who have provided much needed nourishment on a Thursday night.

Last years summer relays were a tremendous success, the captains and vice captains did a fantastic job in organising the teams - and we do take some organising.

The group photograph taken at the Folkestone event needed to be taken in panorama there was so many of us.

This years relays are rapidly approaching. Stu is arranging time trials and there is a team for everyone. Please help our captains by making yourselves available for these cracking events.

Thanks to Adrian and Scotty the cross country season has been a massive success. I will not lie to you, these are not easy races, but they are the most rewarding competitions top be involved in.

We have had representation in all of the Kent cross country league races, club members running in the Kent fitness league, great turnout in the championship events, culminating in the nationals and the infamous Parliament hill.

The club 10k was a great success. Girlings have continued their support, and the change over to Sporting Events UK running the event appears to have been a success. The feedback we have received has been very complimentary regarding in particular the support and encouragement from the Marshall’s, so thanks and well done to to all involved. A massive thanks to Danyel for organising the Marshall’s. We even had over 30 runners in the Marshall’s race.

The club Marathon and half marathon was not the success we hoped it would be. We have decided, this year, not to run this as the risk of loosing money was too much for the club to bear. However, we have been testing an alternative 10 mile race. A few of you have tried out the route and I’m sure this would be a great success. We shall continue to work on this and hopefully can find a place in the busy events calendar to introduce this next year.

We have had some great club events over the year. Some regular and increasingly popular and some new.

The Lenham trail run and BBQ - thanks to our very own Jamie Oliver Rob Butler, with Ashford tri club joining in reciprocating their kind invite to the Kings Wood Bluebell runs.

There is the Chilham run along the pilgrims way.

Hardelot continues to be very popular and quite rowdy event.

The Xmas eve zoo run is always very well attended and popular with Folkestone running club and Ashford Tri Club. Thank you Dean for the great publicity you give to this informal run - he even arranged for Santa to be there on his busiest day of the year - apparently he looks like a farmer!

And, Scotty’s 5K Lenacre Street Handicap race was a great introduction to the club calendar.

And what an international bunch of runners we are with the A&D badge being kissed in Nepal, Spain, Australia, France, Holland, Ireland, USA and even Scotland.

Also, we have been a very fertile club with a new very, very, junior section. Our congratulations go to Jo and CJ, Rosie and Alan, Ryan, Ricky and very soon Jon Wells - is that everyone.

In recognition of Steve Hickman’s contribution to the club over the years and his continued work in developing and encouraging new runners. We have benefited from his leadership and enthusiasm. We are awarding Steve honorary lifetime membership.

*Julie - would you like to add anything extra to this - or would you like to make the announcement of Steve’s award?*

Because of the number of events we are organising and taking part in, along with the increased membership we are introducing a moderation policy along with moderators for the club facebook page. This will also include the closed messenger groups.

We are doing this to protect the club and it’s members and ensuring it is open to everyone regardless of age, gender, ability or experience. Our goal is to promote an environment where we can all enjoy and improve our running in a friendly and welcoming environment.

We shall pin this to the A&D facebook page in the very near future and I ask for you to read this and confirm your agreement.

I would ask that if you do have concerns over the policy please let me know.

I would like to emphasise that this is not a reaction to any specific incident or series of events. It is quite simply a recognition that we are a growing club and we have a responsibility, duty of care, to ourselves as a club and you the members.

I wish to thank the members of the committee for their hard work over the year. I would like to thank Dean for his contribution to the committee and his continued support for the club. I wish him well with his training for the Iron Man Triathlon he is doing later in the year in Austria. Have you seen the training programme - it’s un-real.

Also many thanks to Danyel for the immense work she has brought to the committee, and the club. I’m sure we wish her every success with her future endeavours. I’m sure she will be posting scary Strava runs on a regular basis.

Our duty as the committee is to represent you the members of this great club. Our strength is the quality of everyone involved in the club, everyone plays a part in the success of A&D.

Finally, I propose a name change to Ashford and District Road Trail XC Mountain Running Duathlon Triathlon Globetrotters Club.

See the kit man, we’ll need bigger vests.

**TREASURERS REPORT**

**Subscriptions** – increase of £540 from £2576 to £3116.50 reflecting increased membership. Now forms the main revenue stream for the club (which is as it should be) rather than relying on the 10k.

**Donations** - £10 donated to club by life member Mike Steer and £200 donated by club to MNDA East Kent.

**Kit** – shows as loss but just means we’ve bought more than sold, not a profit making stream.

**10k 2017** – profit of £2903, since switched away from Nice Work to Sporting Events.

**10k 2018** – nothing here as not with Nice Work so no income trickled into account from last year for this year’s event. Sporting Events pay net income after the event.

**Marathon 2017** – loss of £233, one of the reasons why decided to no longer host this event, other reasons being marshalls time etc.

**East Kent Relays** – Picnic and costs (£100), set to increase 5-fold this year with Nice Work.

**Awards Presentation** – increase in costs partly due to purchase of new awards.

**Christmas Party** – shows as large profit but this was because payment to Port Lympne (Chris Boyce) not made until Jan 2018 so not included in this year’s accounts.

**Social Events** – Lenham BBQ and 5-mile handicap prizes.

**Race Travel 2017** – saved on race travel with bigger contribution from members as well as selling spare seats to other clubs.

**Club Administration** – leaflets plus 10k domain name from Nice Work.

**Coaching Courses** – increase due to 4 coaches sent on Leadership In Running Fitness (LiRF) courses.

**EA Affiliation & Subs** – increased cost due to increase in membership.

**Equipment Costs** – purchases of gazebo, paint & cones set off against sale of weights (£25).

Overall – increased loss due to increased expenditure on awards and coaching courses. 10k under new management this year by Sporting Events has raised £2.5k so slightly down on last year but Barry Hopkins is confident we can improve the margins next year by:

1. Revisiting first aid costs (£1472.50)
2. New timing system will halve the cost next year (£1385.46)
3. More accurate determination of medal numbers with a medal design we can carry forward to 2020 thus reducing costs further. (£1176)
4. Increase entries to between 800 and 1000 with minor changes yet to be proposed.

**SEE PAGES AT THE END OF THESE MINUTES FOR FULL ACCOUNT SHEET**

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

The number of paid up members stands at 130, which include 7 life members, 12 Non Competitive, 9 juniors. Members were also advised about the new GDPR rules coming into effect in May and what they will need to do to agree to this.

**LADIES CAPTAIN REPORT**

It has been a fantastic year for the Ashford and District Ladies, and we finish the events year with many successes, personal bests and memorable moments to celebrate. I have recorded them all in a full report, but in the interest of time, I have compiled some highlights to share with you now, roughly by racing distance.

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**MENS CAPTAIN REPORT**

Welcome everyone to my first review of what has been an incredibly busy year by the men’s team.

We took the club to the next level in just about every format that we competed in and I will try my best to summarise some of the highlights for you tonight.

Before I begin, can I just go on record to thank my Vice Captain Stu Nunn for all his support and assistance, he is quietly, yes I did say quietly, very efficient and has helped me deliver the quality leadership that you all come to expect from this club. He has served the club well and I am pleased he is remaining in post. If he is reading this out, then I didn’t make it back from bonny Scotland and he should be a deeper shade of purple by now!

I will start with the Spring Marathons, historically Brighton & London but as you know Trevor Kay now flies the A&D flag out in Barcelona and in 2017 ran a brilliant 3:02 in his quest for the holy grail of sub 3, he went one better a few weeks ago finally managed to squeeze under again at Barcelona 2018 in a pb of 2:59:43

At Brighton, the club saw 11 men tackled the race in warm conditions with pbs from Mark Carlton Stu Nunn, and first timers, Terry Sellen, Rod Kesseck & Paul Bailey.

London always gets the blood racing and Robert Latala showed us all his blistering form, breaking the club record in a stunning 2:32:12 Good for age times were secured by Kev James , Dan Green & Me…. A pb for the club place runner Dave Hunt…(who?)

Our lone wolf runner Rik Holden completed 12 marathons with a 3:38 pb at The Owler in Ashford and with Richard Baker (6:54) the Bewl Water Ultra in 6:57

The other Ultra Runners particularly these woodland creatures were also very busy, Steve Hickman ran at least 5 marathons and the Kent 50 in 11:02. Neil Buckley did both Brighton & London marathons and still found the energy to slog round the NDW 50 in 11:30. Big Eddy kept on the long stuff, Thames Trot, Country to Capital & Whitecliff challenge to name 3…he’s certainly got his work cut out dragging me along Hadrian’s Wall later this Summer! Mark Attenborough showed his stamina and fortitude in completing Country to Capital in 7:47.

As I said at the start, it is in the team races that we excelled at this year and it all started back in May for the start of the East Kent Road Relays. We fielded 44 male runners and they produced some terrific runs across the 5 race series. For the 1st time in my memory our Mens Senior A team shook up the field and broke the dominance of Folkestone and South Kent Harriers. Trevor Kay , Robert Latala, CJ and Jon Pearce pushed them all the way and finished creditable League Runners up. The Senior B team were 3rd & the C team 7th (out of 14 teams) The vet 40’s always do well and were narrowly runners up to Canterbury in the A league, but dominated the B league winning easily and the C team were runners up. Finally in the Vet 50’s 3rd place by A team and 1st and 3rd in the B/C league shows our strength in depth…if we can keep em fit just imagine what our Vet 60 team would look like one day! I really hope that we get the same level of interest this year. So get down to the track if you can at the end of April and show us what you’ve got.

Summer is a time when some of us recharge the batteries and Stu goes into hiding but Jonny Wells just kept travelling round the UK on his student bus pass to take part in over 25 races. His pursuit of bling has been likened to a magpie and his consistency across all the distances is a standard that takes some beating. With Stu & Adrian’s help we ran some new club races, including a 5 mile handicap that was won by Ann Fidge for the ladies & by Dan Green for the men. Ricky Hickman won the 5 mile (no tech) paced race by a mere 1 second.

I won’t forget my first trip to Hardalot 10k with the club - 11 men raced 539 other runners round a terrific little town in North East France. Trevor Kay home first in 36:41 to win 1st international male, Deano 35th in a seasons best of 38:20 and me close behind in 39th 38:29. Richard Baker was next in 77th, Chris Boyce 93rd, Mark Attenborough 95th, Adrian Moody 137th, Mark Carlton 241st, Brad Bunk 307th, Simon Jackson 419th & John Fidge in 427th. We won the team prize along with my old toppers trophy…..We then sang and drank all the way back to old blighty and nearly got me sacked at the UK Border…hic

Autumn brings cooler days and you guessed it more Marathons, our Vice ran a 3:49 pb at Nottingham, Brad got round Dublin and Steve Hickman tackled Beachy Head again along with Trevor K. I flew to Oz and ran the Perth Half and then lined up on the start line of Chicago for my 50th birthday. That same day 20 men raced at the Givaudan 10k with Trevor Kay 1st home for the club in 10th place, Dan green in 25th, Julius Samson in 40th, Paul Moses in 45th, Ryan Edwards in 59th, Mark Attenborough in 83rd, Rob Barton in 85th, Keith Haynes in 90th, Adrian Moody in 113th, Stu Nunn 155th, Mark Harrison 185th, Mark Carlton 259th, Carl Ireland 260th, Dean Bracken 268th, Rod Kessack 311th, Kev James 343rd, Neil Hope 353rd, Matt Skipper 468th, Andrew Smith 585th & Terry Sellen 651st.

Cross Country – this year I decided there was enough interest and talent in the club to enter a team in the highly competitive Kent League on Saturdays. This league contains the reigning National XC Champions Tonbridge AC and we were very fortunate to race some of the best talent in the country.

The secret of doing well in XC is getting the numbers out, all clubs have a few superstars but getting 12 scorers out in all 4 races gets you points. We managed to do that brilliantly for the 1st 3 races but in the final race at Sparrows Den we were down to 10 runners just the night before….panic stations! That’s when your tail gunners come into play and Mark Harrison & William Whittingham saved the day. The relief I felt when Will finished and we secured a creditable 6th place above teams like Bexley, Tun Wells and Orpington felt great. Those that ran all 4 races were promoted up the final league rankings so out of 439 runners; Jon Pearce was 17th, Rob Barton a terrific 31st, Paul Moses 34th , me 47th & Richard Baker 53rd.

Paul was actually 4th fastest V50 out of the best in the county so well done to him and he ran every single XC race we did this season….bit unfair as you have to be an old topper to enter them all but I can tell you, I witnessed first hand the pain and effort he put in, especially at the Southerns when he decided to run it in trainers & fell over more times than Bambi on ice skates, but he never gave up trying.

Not content with the League in Dec, we also entered the one off Kent XC Vet Champs in Central Park, Dartford , A fast mazy looping course saw the V40 team of Dan, Julius, Jonny Wells & Richard coming 8th and the V50 team of Me, Paul M & Adrian coming 8th out of 18 teams.

Christmas came & went and early Jan - we rolled out again on a freezing cold Saturday for the Kent Senior Champs at Brands Hatch. 11km of misery against all the young guns again we came 6th in the 12’s and 8th in the 6’s….confused yet Stu!! Robert Latala came 10th here and really helped put A&D on the map.

Not content with dragging the team away for yet more Saturdays, (yes I know the wives & girlfriends hated me) Adrian suggested that we take a team to the South of England Champs (or The Southerns as we call them) at Stanmer Park, Brighton to run the challenging 15k course of hills, mud and driving wind/rain.

I agreed providing he sorted it all out cos by now people were starting to avoid me in Sainsburys etc & I picked up a nasty calf injury at Canterbury 10 so had a brilliant Stu type excuse but still went along to cheer the team (in my running kit just in case) and erect our ridiculously inadequate marquee. This baby is for standing under sipping Pimms on a warm summer evening, not for a stormy February afternoon on some windswept hillside….the thing collapsed twice and everyone got soaked to the skin. Still we managed to field 9 men with 6 to score and they finished this beast of a race 40th out of 55 teams - Order of finishers were Latala, Pearce, Wells, Bracken, Butler, Moody, Barton, Moses & Baker.

The last hurra,,,,,, Saucony National XC Champs.  
A great first outing by the club...A really challenging 12k course in an icy wind...the mud was tough. Great experience & something to build on for next season. Lots to learn from that monster....It was daunting at times, no let up from start to finish.  This was how we scored in the team 6:  
Robert Latala -  120th -43:52  
Jon Pearce - 611th -50:06  
Julius Samson - 1128th -55:15  
Paul Moses - 1399th - 57:47  
Jon Wells - 1416th - 57:59  
Scotty Lynch  - 1442nd - 58:24  
  
Adrian Moody - 1502nd - 59:02  
Chris Boyce - 1927th - 64:54  
  
Total - 2328 finishers  
  
A&D - 96th out of 162 teams - tough day at the office but when u see a team like Medway coming 30th (and they won Kent League) U know it’s a high quality field. The look of sheer terror on Boyceys face before we set off at the start line will live with me all Summer….As I said earlier Tonbridge AC were crowned National Champions, raising the profile of the Kent League up a few notches.

So in closing, I want to thank the men’s team for supporting the club and the tremendous effort shown this year, some names feature here quite a lot but there’s plenty of opportunity for all to improve. I am happy to continue to lead the team with the help of Stu and now Adrian as XC Manager. Unless you want to release me back to the Shire where all the other ex captains go, to run endlessly across middle earth with Black Toenails and strapped on drinky bottles….I thank you for your time, effort & commitment… Scott

**ELECTION OF CLUB PRESIDENT**

In recent years, Ernie has held this position, however, as a committee, we felt that it was time to appoint a more current member to this role. In view of this we felt that as recognition of the commitment and support given to the club we would like to offer the position of President to Steve Hickman. This was proposed by the committee and agreed unanimously by all attending by show of hands.

**ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT**

This is a position that has been vacant for a number of years and we felt that it would be a good time to appoint someone who could support alongside the new President. To that end, the committee would like to recognise the long commitment and support that has been shown by offering the vice presidency to Ann Fidge. This was proposed by the committee and agreed unanimously by all attending by show of hands.

The committee would like to thank Steve and Ann for agreeing to be involved in this manner and look forward to receiving your continued words of wisdom and support in the coming years. Congratulations.

**ELECTION OF 2018/2019 COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

There are no current members stepping down. We have received nominations for two positions and will go ahead with the positions as listed:

CHAIRMAN – Paul Moses to remain

VICE CHAIRMAN – Anthony Brown, nominated by Sue Reader, 2nd Stuart Nunn and unanimously agreed

SECRETARY – Julie Foster to remain

TREASURER – Robin Butler to remain

LADIES CAPTAIN – Sue Reader

LADIES VICE CAPTAIN – Rhian Shrimplin, nominated by Scott Lynch, 2nd Stuart Nunn and unanimously agreed

MENS CAPTAIN – Scott Lynch to remain

MENS VICE CAPTIAN – Stuart Nunn to remain

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY – Mark Attenborough to remain

RECORDS SECRETARY/WEBMASTER – Brad Bunk to remain

KIT PERSON – Richard Baker to remain

CROSS COUNTRY MANAGER – Adrian Moody, nominated by Scott Lynch, 2nd Stuart Nunn and unanimously agreed

All above positions that remain unchanged were unanimously agreed by attending members by show of hands.

Auditor of Accounts: Darren Ward remains and was confirmed by Robin Butler

**REMINDERS**

Membership fees increase for 18/19 season to £35/£25/£20 as confirmed last year, preference for payment is by bank transfer and all members will be contacted shortly

Awards night is 11/5/18 at Ques Smokehouse in Ashford. Members are reminded to bring in any trophies they received last year and give them to Paul Moses.

As mentioned in Paul’s speech, we will be implementing a facbook policy to ensure the safety and protection of the club and its members. Members are informed that they will be required to agree with this policy in order to use the A&D pages.

Thanks again to everyone for coming and your continued support. Lets look forward to another great year in 2018/19.

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| **ASHFORD RUNNING CLUB**  **ACCOUNTS**  **FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  **31 DECEMBER 2017** |

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| **ASHFORD RUNNING CLUB**  **Income and Expenditure Account**  **For The Year Ended 31 December 2017**  **ITEM INCOME (2017) EXPENDITURE (2017) PROFIT & LOSS (2017) PROFIT & LOSS (2016) NOTES**  **CLUB INCOME**  Subcriptions 3,116.50 - 3,116.50 2,576.00  Donations & Grants 10.00 200.00 (190.00) (10.00)  Running Vests & Hoodies 1,945.75 2,342.48 (396.73) (49.97)  **SPORTING EVENTS**  10K Race (2016) - - - 2,165.98 10K Race (2017) 10,299.20 8,321.43 1,977.77 925.64  10K Race (2018) - - - - Marathon (2016) - - - (311.04)  Marathon (2017) 4,755.02 5,132.43 (377.41) 143.56  East Kent Relays - 160.00 (160.00) - Cross Country 182.00 220.00 (38.00) (104.00)  Awards Presentation - 978.39 (978.39) (320.00)  Christmas Party 1,700.00 430.00 1,270.00 (765.95) Cost of £1,327.80 paid in Jan 2018  Social Events 52.98 117.58 (64.60) -  Race Travel (2016) - - - (1,145.00)  Race Travel (2017) 1,789.50 2,265.00 (475.50) -  **CLUB EXPENDITURE**  Sandyacres Hire 1,710.00 (1,710.00) (2,046.30)  Club Administration 367.50 (367.50) -  Mollie Smith Presentation 133.94 (133.94) - Coaching Courses 560.00 (560.00) (140.00) SEAA Affiliation - - - KCAA Affiliation 50.00 (50.00) (50.00) England Athletics Affiliation & Subscription 1,454.00 (1,454.00) (1,111.00)  LDWA Membership - -  AGM Expenses - -  Gifts - - -  Equipment Costs 104.95 (104.95) - Accountancy 315.00 (315.00) (315.00)  **TOTALS**  23,850.95 24,862.70 (1,011.75) (557.08) |

**ASHFORD RUNNING CLUB**

**BALANCE SHEET**

**AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017**

**Brought Forward**

Brought Forward from 2016 3,388.54

Plus 2017 Income & Expenditure balance (1,011.75)

**Carried Forward** 2,376.79

**Represented By:-**

Nat West Current Account 1,853.51

Cash in Hand 6.28

Stock of Kit 832.00

Less Accountancy (315.00)

**Total** 2,376.79