



Yeovil Town RRC Committee Meeting Minutes

Location: St John's Ambulance, St John's House, Memorial Road, Houndstone Business Park, Yeovil BA22 8WA

Date: 1st May 2019

Time: 6:30 pm

Attendees: Malcolm Maxted, Steve Warren, Phil MacQuaid, Simon Rowbottom, Adam Hawkins, Lesley Nesbitt, Lynne Thumpston, Anita Rufus, June Moule, Fez Parker, Daniel McFarlane,

Agenda items

Apologies for absence - Guy Williams, Lindsay Saunders

Minutes of last meeting

These were accepted as a true and accurate record.

Officer's Reports:

Chairman: Malcolm Maxted

The first Yeovilton 5k was a great success thanks to Lindsay Saunders and her team. Similarly, the Easter Bunny was also a great success thanks to the hard work of Guy and his team and we will receive a more detailed report later in the meeting.

Adam's Somerset Schools Cross Country race was another success and I would like to add my thanks to Adam's to all the members of the Club who have helped lay out the course and marshalled throughout the season. As one of the teachers said "These events could not occur without the support of Yeovil Town Road Running Club".

Fred Fox's memorial hash on Ham Hill was well attended and a fair amount of interest in this type of run was expressed. After the meeting the Secretary was told that the Fred Fox memorial bench in Montacute Park is now complete.

Last weekend was of course, the London Marathon with 14 Club runners taking part. Lesley Nesbitt organised a pre-race meal at a restaurant overlooking the Thames, with many of the runners and their families attending. Large quantities of water were drunk but not all members had the same pre-race fluid loading regime. The weather on the day was perfect and the crowds fantastic and I hope all the Club runners had a memorable day. I certainly did!

Secretary: Phil MacQuaid

- Had been in contact with the Estate Agents looking after Aldon Hills with a view to obtaining a Club Licence to use the facilities. However the owner of the estate has declined the request of a club membership and insisted that only individually purchased passes would be acceptable. As a club we have decided not to pursue the matter any further. However we are still allowed to use the published Right of way as shown in Ordnance Survey maps
- Race Pacer flags. The club does have some very amateurish homemade pacer flags. At the recent Yeovil Half we saw some Tear Drop flags. After discussion it was decided to buy four sets initially for the 5K races and to buy further interchangeable flags for use at other distances
- It was also decided to purchase a further 12 X 500mm road cones which are traffic compliant.

Treasurer: Simon Rowbottom

Working towards the Financial Sheets for the AGM we were informed that we had a total of £11330 in all accounts with a further amount locked in a Nationwide account. This high amount is income from recent races & membership fees with race outgoings still to be paid

Our Account supervisor will not have time to scrutinize our accounts in time for the AGM due to moving house, but will be done at the earliest opportunity

The club achieved a surplus of £1800 over expenditure over the last year

After discussion it was decided to write off our accounts all surplus running kit. This would be sold off to club members or otherwise disposed of

Membership Secretary: Adam Hawkins

Membership renewals now stand at 170+but several of these are new members & several have paid via the website and their details are not yet with the membership secretary.

Some potential new members have reported problems when trying to pay via our website.

It was explained that to be eligible to enter the next London Marathon and alongside other criteria memberships must be paid by the AGM date

Adam explained that he was working on the membership database, and he would have an up to date list at the AGM and would be available to handle individual queries

Championship Secretary: Lesley Nesbitt

- Nothing to report.

Webmaster: Guy Williams

- Absent.

Club Diary: Phil MacQuaid

Pub Runs (every Thursday)

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| Thur 2 nd May | White Hart Yetminster |
| Thur 9 th May | Halfway Inn Pitney |
| Thur 16 th May | Admiral Hood Mosterton |
| Thur 23 rd May | Orchard Inn Galhampton |

Venues have been nominated for July but are still to be confirmed

April 5K Summer Series Wednesday 12th July

- Steve Warren Co Race Director
- Reported that all was going well. That the new course went well. There had been problems with runners not crossing the roads at the right places. New signage & road cones would be in place for the next 5K
- Last year it was decided that the proceeds of one 5K would be donated to the late John Enright's favourite charity, the Jane Tomlinson appeal and in due course a presentation of £500 will be made.
- St Johns 1st Aiders have been booked & Confirmed
- Steve would be setting up from 5.00 pm and any help would be appreciated
- Adam Hawkins, Children's Race Director, will not be there and Katie Brooks will stand in. However she will need at least 3 or 4 people to help her.(It all counts toward points)

Easter Bunny 10K Monday 22nd April

- Guy Williams was away in London. However, the Race Referee's report has been very good and he accepted that all the traffic problems which were due to two road incidents away from the course, were well handled. Mention was made of our 3 Traffic Managers who did excellent work.

Town Tree Trail 15th May

- Adam Hawkins, Race Director, reported that he had 80 pre entries with the expectation of 200
- He would be setting up on the day before & any help would be appreciated
- This year the Children's race would be run in the adjacent Community Sports field and take the form of an obstacle course. This would be run and insured by Ash School
- ARC Race License has been issued
- St Johns 1st Aiders have been booked

- There will be entries on the day

Wessex Ridgeway 100K Relay. 19th May

- Not discussed, however 3 teams have been entered & paid for. 3 mini buses have been booked & will leave YTFC at 0600 19th May.

Dave Richardson Memorial Handicap

- Tim Hawkins, Event Director, was not at the meeting. However the 3k will take place on Fri 10th May at the track from 1800 (6pm) onwards. Same formula as in previous years. We need to encourage more members to take part as this event is for all abilities.

Yeovil Marathon & Heron Half 9th June 2019.

- Bryn Phillips Race Director was not at the meeting
- We were informed that he had 133 pre entries for the marathon and 147 for the half.
- Due to road works a new route has been decided but the committee did not know if it had been measured (A requirement for all UKA road races)
- 300 Marathon & 500 Half marathon "T" shirts had been ordered and paid for
- An outside organization had been contracted to provide 1st Aid cover
- Bryn would be specifically invited to the June Committee meeting

Annual Memorial Run to the Bench at Ham Hill Tue 9th July

- Not Discussed but still stands

Ash Excellent 8 & 5 Milers 8th September

- Nothing to Report

Santa Dash 2019

- Nothing to report

Wessex Cross Country League

- Tim Hawkins was not at the meeting

AGM

Tuesday 7th May 1830 (6:30pm) RED HOUSE Dorchester Road, Red House Yeovil (BA22 9RA)

The evening will start at 6.30 p.m. with food being served shortly afterwards and the AGM will start at 7.15 pm.

There will no Chairman's 5k this year and there will be no club runs on 7th May.

The agenda for the AGM was submitted to Guy to be posted on the website on 15th April. I am pleased to say that we have single applicants for all vacant posts.

Secretary: Angela Dobbs and Phil MacQuaid shared post.

Club Captain: Graham Still

Welfare Officer Female: June Moule

Welfare Officer Male: Ben Mahoney

Data Protection Officer: Tim Howes

However, there are two applicants for the post of Chairperson. It was agreed that the applications be put on the club website for members to look at. One of the applicants has requested a paper ballot. The other applicant was agreeable to a paper ballot or a show of hands.

Some members of the club were of the opinion that the vote should be open i.e. by show of hands. After a discussion it was decided that the vote would be by closed ballot by all those attending the meeting.

The position of Vice Chairperson is uncertain. Anita Rufus informed the Chairman that if she was unsuccessful in her bid to become Club Chairperson, she would not seek election for the Vice Chairperson's post.

If Steve Warren was successful in becoming Chairperson the Vice Chairperson post would be available to Daniel McFarlane who has applied for the post. If Steve Warren was unsuccessful and wished to remain in the role of Vice Chairperson a ballot would have to take place for this post between him and Daniel McFarlane.

Following the Election of Officers, the current Chairman will stand down leaving his successor to chair the discussion on the future of the Yeovil Marathon and the Heron half for 2020 as this will occur during their tenure.

New Club Kit

At the last committee meeting Denise Byrd volunteered to look at a redesign of club kit notwithstanding that our Club colours would remain Green & White as they are our registered colours. After discussion it was decided that any updating would be timed to coincide with the 40th Anniversary of the club and in conjunction with "Sports of Bond St".

Focus group report: Anita Rufus

- Nothing to report

AOB

Daniel McFarlane brought up the subject of awarding points for assisting at Hill Reps and Track training. After discussion Lesley Nesbitt agreed to investigate to see how it would fit in with our present system

Lynne Thumpston - The subject was brought up of runners being injured on club runs. It was reiterated that ARC forms and a First Aid book are in the red box at YTFC on club nights. They should initially be completed by the Run Leader who should inform the Run Coordinator. The Run Coordinator will organise any follow up action as has been the case in a recent incident.

This is one of the reasons we ask all guest runners to provide their details

Anita Rufus: Coach for either the Bristol or Salisbury Half marathons. It seems that some members did not understand the choice as they voted to both and or suggested several other events. She reiterated the fact that it was one or the other. She was happy to go along with the final decision but pointed out that she was not available for the Salisbury race.

Meeting closed 19:45

Next Meeting:

Location: St John's Ambulance, St John's House, Memorial Road, Houndstone Business Park,
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Date: 5th June 2019

Time: 6.30 p.m.