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YTRRC Committee Meeting

Wednesday 3 April 2024

Westlands Entertainment Centre
7.00pm

Present: Steve Warren, Angela Dobbs, June Moule, Phil McQuaid, Jo Samuel, David Mears, Adam Hawkins, Tim Willis (by invitation); Simon Rowbottom, Graham Still, Denise Byrd, Lesley Nesbit, Mel Dodge, Vicki Scrowston

A G E N D A

Apologies – Guy Williams

Minutes of last meeting – approved, proposed and seconded by Graham and Simon

Matters Arising –

- None

Chairperson's report – Steve Warren

- 206 runners for the Easter Bunny, went well. No refunds for those who did not turn up.
- Yeovilton 5k - course marker is prepared and ready for this. Course licence has been granted.
- TW suggested that the club looks for another location for next year due to potential issues with signing the keys out and getting the licence application done. JM has previously been the sponsor for getting the licence and signing the keys out. It was noted that any route needs to be flat and there are a number of other logistical issues to overcome such as car parking, licences, course measurement. It was noted that Yeovil Cycling Club has moved from Nuffield due to the issues with getting to use the facilities. The MOD licence is £210, however this was with an abatement, this would normally be a lot more. JM noted with Yeovilton that we make a contribution to the sports fund and a lot of members are civil servants and MOD members.
- AH noted that he is not available next Wednesday for the 5k races (children's fun run). After discussion, it was agreed that TW would contact Lynne to see if she would be able to help.
- Shirts - SW advised that the issue with shirts is that ours is a white base. This causes the fluorescent colours to run. However SW is expecting some samples that we will be able to see next month.

Secretary report – Angela Dobbs

- Discussion held regarding an email that had been received from a local charity asking to be added to our useful links page on the website. It was agreed that as this was not running related it wouldn't be added.
- A member had asked if parish notices could be read out at Tuesday club runs. It was agreed that as these took too long to read out, this wouldn't happen however it was noted that the parish notices are all emailed out to members. A separate email will also be sent out to remind/ask people about volunteering for various events.

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Treasurer's report – Simon Rowbottom

- At next committee meeting, SR is hoping to be able to give a report to committee about what the figures are looking like.

Membership report – Adam Hawkins

- 2 new members recently, 148 people have renewed or are members since the beginning of January. EA website has been difficult, AH has been trying to generate invoices for people who have paid their membership. All members are supposed to log into the EA website and accept the code of conduct. AH has been reminding new members that they need to do this. AH will also put a reminder on facebook and via email
- Town Tree Trail - all relevant bodies have been notified. Course is currently clear. AH noted that the race is to raise money for the gardens so that they could be opened to the public. However, the gardens have not been open so AH is thinking about the future of this race.
- JS suggested if we needed a date for clearing Town Tree, this is put in the diary sooner rather than later. AH suggested Saturday 11th May as a date to clear the gardens. It was agreed that this would be put to club members, time 2pm.

Club Captain – Graham Still/Vicki Scrowston

- VS noted that no-one has come forward for North Dorset Village Marathon or relay or Haldon Forest. VS will re-do some posts and send this out again.
- GS - there are still some hoodies and t-shirts to be paid for. GS wanted to thank everyone for their help on Monday. JS noted that feedback on social media has been positive.

Kit – Graham Still

Championship secretary – Lesley Nesbitt

- Weston Prom this week. There are a number of people who have also expressed an interest in Charmouth Challenge so LN will set up a group for this

Webmaster – Guy Williams

Data Protection/Welfare Officer – Dave Mears

- PM asked if people were being sent a link to the closed facebook group when they became members. It was discussed and agreed changing the name of the closed group so that it reflects that it is members only.

Pub and club runs – Phil McQuaid

- TMO courses - DM has done some research on this, they are ad-hoc courses and the cheapest one is in Totnes for £110 per person. DM will get a selection of dates and let the club know. It was advised that we would need to do the Traffic Management for Community Events rather than Traffic Management Operatives. SW and PM to see if they can also do this online in the first instance.
- Dave Richardson memorial - dates needed for this. PM suggested the end of July for this, it was agreed this would be the 26th July.
- Pub runs all booked to May. Thursday 16th will be at The Rusty Axe and incorporate recce for Town Tree Trail.

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- Jane Tomlinson charity have said yes to a presentation in May.
- TW - MOD and UK athletics licence back. Timing Monkey will do timing. Still need marshals for first event. Route has been marked. 41 entries so far however expecting a few on the day. VS to advertise on Facebook. TW has also asked for someone to be the official photographer for the start and finish of the race. GS has asked if we could have a new loudspeaker.
- AGM on 21 May, agenda etc to go out by 23rd April.
- JS read out an email from a member who had asked to resign and for the committee to be read their resignation email. It was agreed to refund the membership paid. The other issues raised were discussed by the committee. DM to respond to the club member on behalf of the club.
- AH - thank you to everyone who is able to help with the schools cross country. The last event is on 24th April from 3 - 6pm at Yeovil recreation centre.
- Remembrance run to the bench on 9th July. On Monday at the 10k, the archway at the finish line is too wide and this meant that cars couldn't get in and out at the same time which caused traffic issues. This is potentially a dangerous situation which will need to be looked at for future runs.
- JM - we will need to invest in buying some blue rolls and loo rolls as there were none at Nuffield on Monday.

There next meeting will be Wednesday 1st May 2024 at 7.00pm. If anyone has any issues/questions they would like to raise, then they should email them through to the chair or secretary.