

YTRRC AGM

Tuesday 29 June 2021

At Yeovil Town Football Club
6.30pm

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Lesley Nesbitt, Adam Hawkins and Sue Mallinson. A list of attendees can be found at the end of the minutes.

2. Minutes of last AGM 2019

These were proposed by Graham Still and seconded by Guy Williams as being accepted.

3. Chairman's report AGM 2021

Good evening and welcome to the 2020 and 2021 YTRRC AGM and lovely to see so many people here. Well what a strange couple of years we have all had to get used to. From the very start I would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who has helped with everything the club has managed to keep doing in the pandemic. As chairman it has been an honour and privilege to be involved with such a friendly and sociable club. The committee have continued to meet every month by Zoom and have still been working hard behind the scenes to make sure everything has been ticking along and keeping things as near to normal as possible. Hopefully races will get back to normal in the near future, it has been a challenging last couple of years. We are hoping that ASH 10k will be the first club event at which YTRRC will take £1 per runner. Yeovilton can't run at the moment as Covid testing is still taking place, St John's ambulance and the police have asked for updated H&S as a result of covid. AR asked if St John's will be providing cover for ASH, PM is looking into this, the school are paying for all the expenses but if we can't get cover, it may not be able to be run. All entries will be through the website. Club nights have restarted, we still need more run leaders and people to volunteer for this. Club members have asked when EA run leaders will be taking place, there are 4 that want to do the coaching course and 4 that want to do run leader course. AR asked if those who have asked to do coaching are spread over different speeds as there are sometimes lots of people in one group and none in others. AR suggested that it needs to be taken into consideration that people who are trained as run leaders should also take different groups. A heartfelt thank you goes to everyone who has helped, there have been a very good series of virtual races and medals that have taken place, thanks to Kev Doherty for organising the medals. Track has resumed and Tim and Graham have also stepped up to help run track sessions. It is hoped that Nathan will be back soon. I would now like to hand over to Simon for him to present the club accounts for the last two years.

4. Treasurer Report

It is over 2 years since I stood up at the Red House to deliver the 2018/19 accounts, never did I think would be 26 months before I was attending the next AGM.

To assist club members and further aid transparency the accounts for both 2019/20 and 2020/21 were loaded on the website back in June, under 'Committee' if you wish to read, along with my Treasurer's Reports for both years. Rather than read out the reports in full, I felt a brief summary of our current situation might be of most interest to members. We had bank balances in excess of £16,000 at 31/03/2019 but these had fallen to £10,150 by 31/03/2021.

At the last AGM I stated that the Committee had decided that we should not be accumulating cash but ensure that profits from our hosted races were spent for the benefit of current members; this would be by subsidising the Awards dinner, trophies and Grand Slam hats and providing transport to certain Club races. Members would also be encouraged and financially supported to get coaching qualifications. Track nights that cost over £2,000 per year would continue to be met by your club.

Spring 2020 and onset of Covid-19 effectively switched off our main income source and we were left with just our membership subs of £30 per annum, out of which £15 is immediately passed to England Athletics. Whilst the majority of our costs are related to hosted races we do have fixed costs in the form of our Club ARC and England Athletics membership fees, the fee for the use of Yeovil Town FC on Tuesday evenings, website hosting costs and our commitment for Friday evening track hire at a cost of £30 a week in the summer and £50 a week in the winter.

With cash reserves falling and no certainty as to when hosted races could recommence the Committee has been constantly reassessing our financial position over the last 16 months. Areas of expenditure have been identified where costs can be reduced/eliminated and decisions made at least for 2021, to charge £10 each for Slam Hats and start to collect voluntary contributions from runners on Friday Track nights.

Our current bank balance stands at £7,700 which still gives us a comfortable buffer but until our hosted races restart we will be unable to support members as we have done in the past. We thank you for your understanding and would encourage all members to be ready to volunteer once we can start running our races again. Hopefully when I stand up in front of you next year things will be much rosier and I will be able to confirm that once again that we will be in a position to provide the full benefits of club membership you have enjoyed in the past. If there are any questions you might have after reading the financial statements please email me and I will be happy to answer them.

5. Additions or Alterations to the Club Rules or Constitution

There were no changes, additions or alterations to the Club Rules or Constitution. Anita Rufus noted that we should be all inclusive of gender etc. Can this be amended in the constitution to say Chairperson etc. New EA constitution/guidelines which will also need to be incorporated.

6. Election of Officers and other Committee Members:

- **Chairperson – Steve W**
- **Vice Chairperson**
- **Secretary – Angela Dobbs**
- **Treasurer – Simon Rowbottom**
- **Membership Secretary – Adam Hawkins**
- **Webmaster - Guy**

- **Kit Manager – Fez – to be handed over to Graham**
- **Club Captain - Graham**
- **Run Coordinator – Phil – due an operation, will need someone to unlock and lock gates at TYFC.**
- **Welfare Officer (Male) – Fez Parker**
- **Welfare Officer (female) – June Moule**
- **Data Protection Officer – was Tim Howes – is still a member but hasn't been to many meetings. AR advised that constitution said needs to attend 4 committee meetings to still be involved. He is involved in the website. SW to clarify if he still wants to continue**
- **Social Secretary - Denise**
- **Race Directors – Adam, Guy and Lindsay – need to rethink in terms of races like Yeovilton. Santa Dash should still be ok but for Yeovilton, police want lots of additional checks to be carried out. Anita G asked if we could do it as a virtual event. SW advised all we can do is to look at it. GW- if we do it as a virtual event have to think what will runners get out of it. Previously have had donations for Jane Tomlinson charity, Breast Cancer Appeal at hospital as a result of the Yeovilton 5k series. We still have donations to make from previous series. Taryn Monks asked, going forward, does everyone want a t-shirt and medal? Thinking of being sustainable, both financially and environmentally. SW agreed this would need to be looked at. Most of our profits get ploughed back for the benefit of club members. Yeovilton doesn't have medals but end of series prizes instead for runners – makes around £500 per race.**

7. Appointment of Auditors

This was not needed

- 8. AOB – Brian Mountjoy** asked did the club ask for any funds from EA during pandemic? SR not aware of anything. It was noted that the County 10k championships were on 19 September and same course as the Glastonbury course this year. Club doesn't take part in any county championship events and would be good if we could have members to take part.

The meeting closed at 8pm.

List of Attendees

Guy Williams

James Hutt

David Mears

Joanna Henley

Louise Ward

Anita Garrett

June Moule

Rachael Jones

Magdalena Kusmierczyk

Brian Keith Lane

Phil Mac Quaid

Steve Lye

Paul Card

Jeanette Vincent

Claire Shucksmith

Sharon Hardy

John Curtis

Dave Stanfield

Claire Oberthur

Lynne Thumpston

Melita Dodge

Nigel Parker

Richard Hooper

Lynne Thumpston

Angela Dobbs

Taryn Monk

Steve Warren

Tim Willis

Simon Rowbottom

Nikki Guiver

Deborah Stanfield

Graham Still

Kenneth Berry

Richard Clayton

Claire Church

Anita Rufus

Charles Jardine

Mark Pike

Brian Mountjoy-Row

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