

YTRRC Committee Meeting 5th April 2017

Committee meeting held at St John Ambulance Classrooms, Memorial Road, BA22 8WA

1 Present: Malcolm Maxted (MJM), Phil MacQuaid (PM), Catherine Hansford (CH), Lesley Nesbitt (LN), Fez Parker (FP), John Curtis (JC), Louise Ward (LW), Simon Rowbottom (SR), Anita Rufus (AR), Mel Dodge (MD), Dave Stanfield (DS), Lindsay Saunders (LS), Guy Williams (GW), Denise Byrd (DB), Lynne Thumpston (LT), Linda Membury (LM), Steve Warren (SW), Nathan Gardiner (NG), Brian Mountjoy Rowe (BM-R), Pippa Howarth (PH)

Apologies for absence: Bryn Philips, Adam Hawkins

Item	Description	By whom	By when
2	<p><u>Minutes of last meeting</u></p> <p>Agreed as a true and accurate record.</p>		
3	<p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <p>Nil.</p>		
4	<p><u>Officers Reports</u></p> <p><u>Chairman:</u> MJM MJM congratulated all members who ran the Yeovil Half Marathon. There were over 80 finishers from Yeovil Town RRC. PM informed MJM that 49 Club members took part in different events last weekend including Marathon personal bests for John Curtis and Guy Williams. PJ did a fantastic time in the Manchester Marathon but I am not certain whether this was a PB. MJM has spoken to Mike Shead who has made a full recovery and intends to return to both work and running soon. After discussing the Ninesprings 10k with the Shead family it was decided that the race will be discontinued. Instead they will be arranging a skittles night, the proceeds of which will be donated to the Hospice. In respect to the Santa Dash, the family are prepared to do all the marshalling this year but only if the race is organised by the running club using the usual format. They have spoken to the Hospice and MJM will now speak to the Hospice now that the Club has been informed of the decision. AGM – The proposed rewritten constitution and club rules will be available on the website in the near future. If any member has any concerns about them please contact MJM in advance of the meeting. If any Club member wishes to put themselves forward for one of the offices they are free to do so and it would be helpful if they could inform MJM prior to the meeting. Crewkerne 10K –MJM proposed that the Club should have a major turnout for the</p>		

Crewkerne 10 as it is a team race as well as an individual race. PJ suggested Martock which is flatter.
MJM proposed £1000 from the 2016 Ninesprings 10k should be given to the Hospice (Actual profit for charitable donation was £956.75).

Secretary: CH – Both Ash races licences have come through. ARC membership pending confirmation of numbers as of 31 March 2017.

Treasurer: SR – Cash flow is improving after a dry spell. The vast majority of people who have paid membership online have paid the new amount which is encouraging although some have paid the old lower amount.

Membership Secretary: AH- Absent. He emailed the following information:

Membership - currently 65 paid up members for 2017 - 8 (18 are new, 3 second claim). I went to a meeting about the membership section of the new website. We agreed a change so that when the site comes live members who have already renewed or joined should register their details and select a new option - 'already paid'.

Webmaster: GW - New website should be going live next week after a few tweaks. GW did a quick demonstration of the new website and it's looking very good. GW asked that anyone running the official Club routes could email him with the GPX so this can be put on the website. When it goes live all club members will need to register as members using the "already paid" option. This will enable members to be emailed with updates, forms etc. All future payments will be made using paypal.

Kitmaster: FP – no changes with the kit apart from the introduction of the new running jacket which are selling well. Anyone wishing to order a jacket should see Fez who will order on an ad hoc basis rather than holding stock. Chris Briggs did a very good job in the design of the logo.

Club Captain Mens : RJ - absent

Club Captain Ladies : LN – Nothing to report.

Cross Country: TH – absent

Social Secretary: AR – Bristol Half – over 20 people interested so we can proceed and get the discount. AR discussed the best way to get the money from the people entering with the club discount. Possibly can be done via the new website although it was agreed that AR would collect cash as in previous years until the website is up and running and everyone is familiar with it.

Other possible activities – archery morning (approx £15) date TBC. Also looking into a skittles night somewhere in Yeovil.

SCAA: Position vacant BM-R is the Treasurer of the SCAA and said it would be helpful if the Club could have a representative. This would involve 5 meetings a year at the Pipers Inn at Ashcott usually on a Thursday evening.

5	<p><u>Club Diary</u></p> <p><u>Pub Runs:</u> 6th April – Royal Oak, Stoford, (John Curtis) 13th April - Teddy Rowe, Sherborne (Mark Larcombe) 20th April - Ilchester Arms, Ilchester (Pete Jakeman) 27th April - Bewers Arms, South Petherton (Gareth Thomas) 4th May - Admiral Hood, Mosterton (Brian Mountjoy Rowe) 11th May - Whyndam Arms, Kingsbury (Phil MacQuaid) 18th May - King William IV, Curry Rivel (Adam Hawkins) 25th May - Phellips Arms, Montacute (Lindsay Saunders)</p>		
6	<p><u>Races:</u></p> <p><u>Summer 5K Series 1st Race 12th April</u> : DS – .Not much to add. 40 signed up for the first race. Unsure how many of these are series entries. Need the keys for the accommodation. If anyone wants flyers DS has some. Phil to ask for volunteer marshalls in the Tuesday night notices.</p> <p><u>Easter Bunny 17th April 2017:</u> PJ – Entries 322 so far. Need to keep an eye on this as we have 400 medals and the race has a 500 limit (no entries on the day). PJ went round this morning and remarked the distance markers on the road. PM to organise toilets. Still looking for marshalls and helpers. Course will be set up early Monday morning. Chips are on the numbers this year not on the shoes.</p> <p><u>Ash Town Tree 24th May 2017:</u> AH - absent. A few entries already. Race licence received.</p> <p><u>Dave Richardson Memorial Track Handicap, 5th May 2017:</u> MJM asked that this go on the blog/website and in the notices Tuesday nights as well as the club runs Facebook page so people can see what it is and how it works.</p> <p><u>Yeovil Marathon, 11th June 2017:</u> BP - absent but emailed the following information:</p> <p>Entries are going steady and as of the 4th April we are at 101 with MJM being the latest entry. Sponsorship has not gone as well as last year with us only securing £900 at the moment, although if we have the same amount of entries as the last couple of years we would still be in profit but it would be less that we give to the Charities. I am still needing a Chief Marshal despite posting notices, this position is vital as they will need to gather volunteers for the 4 water stations and the 13 marshal points and then brief them on Race Day. On the subject of Marshals we may need to approach a company to provide specific CSAS accredited marshals to be able to stop traffic as we can't be reliant on the Police. I did enquire about whether we as a club could get members accredited but as a small voluntary organisation it would become too expensive and the Police Officer I spoke to in that department advised against it.</p> <p>I have also been contemplating some changes to 2018's Marathon and will bring it to the wider club audience at the AGM, which I will be attending, but as a heads up I would like to consider adding in a Half Marathon the same day as the Marathon or possibly a relay option. Both of these options would increase numbers and spectators but also revenue.</p>		

	<p>Also, depending upon the rule changes within the Military Wives Choirs Foundation, we may choose a different Charity. This will be open to discussion once I get the official directive from the Choir. The ruling at the moment is that all Fundraising done by individual Choirs is purely for that Choir, however the new ruling being discussed is that regardless how much they can raise it all goes to the main Foundation and the individual choir might not see a penny of the amount they gained.</p> <p>If anyone needs a poster to put up at work or thinks their company would like to get involved with a Community Project then let me know. Ideally what I would like is a Company to provide or help heavily subsidise a couple of marquees for the Event Village.</p> <p>GW suggested that a relay might be a better option to start with as this will complement the marathon rather than detracting from it.</p> <p>MJM was concerned that the half marathon did not take away the impact of the full marathon, which he felt was the situation with the Taunton Marathon with the marathon runners doing an additional lap and often with a lot less support after the half runners have finished. Half would be a good idea but possibly with a later start.</p> <p>The marathon hasn't been charged by the club to date but the meeting agreed that the Club should be reimbursed for any expenses it has incurred. This needs to be discussed between Bryn and Simon.</p> <p>PH suggested that water stations and certain other tasks could be undertaken by Scout and Guide groups and Army or Air cadets who, in turn, would receive a charitable donation for their services.</p> <p><u>Ash Excellent Eight, 10th September 2017:</u> AH - absent. Race licence received.</p> <p><u>Wessex Cross Country, 5th November 2017:</u> TH – absent. PJ informed the meeting that the 5th November has been agreed by the Wessex Cross Country League.</p> <p><u>Santa Dash:</u> MJM will discuss further with the Hospice.</p> <p><u>Great Western 12th March 2017:</u> LN – The Rotary is considering a different venue and different time of year. PJ advised one potential venue is the Compton Cricket Club. The Rotary representative will let PJ know when further information is available. Decision needs to be made by September 2017, possibly earlier if medals need to be ordered.</p>		
Z	<p><u>A.O.B.</u></p> <p><u>AGM 9th May 2017:</u> PM – food will be meat or vegan sausage and chips. Road works are taking place on the usual route so this needs to be looked into. PM to investigate. Food served at 7:30pm, meeting to start 8pm. Run will be 5k only starting 6:30 prompt.</p> <p>NG - mentioned the proposed change of club name. This to be discussed in the AGM to see what everyone's thoughts are.</p> <p>MJM - Some members are going on run leaders' courses. In the past, the club has paid the fees for this. Anyone attending the courses to let MJM know for the committee's consideration of costs.</p> <p>BM-R advised he may be able to offer financial assistance through Somerset Athletics Network.</p> <p>PM - new radio station called Radio Ninesprings who have offered the club a spot. MJM to discuss and come back with more information to canvass for volunteers.</p>		

	<p>BM-R – suggested that some kind of marshalling roster be set up on the new website similar to the Parkrun roster so people can see what positions are required.</p> <p>MD – biscuits, savouries and other baked goods required for the Easter Bunny and 5k series – donations welcome on the night or otherwise dropped off to someone attending.</p> <p><u>Time and Date of next meeting</u> 6:30pm on Wednesday 3rd May 2017</p>		
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