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YTRRC Committee Meeting

Wednesday 1 May 2024

Westlands Entertainment Centre
7.30pm

Present: Steve Warren, Angela Dobbs, June Moule, Phil McQuaid, Jo Samuel, David Mears, Adam Hawkins, Tim Willis (by invitation); Simon Rowbottom, Graham Still, Lesley Nesbit, Guy Williams

A G E N D A

Apologies – Denise Byrd, Mel Dodge, Vicki Scrowston

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

Matters Arising –

- AGM - the amendment to club rules that lights must be worn in the winter along with bright/reflective clothing. London marathon places -if you have run the marathon before regardless of how you have got your place, you can't enter in the club ballot
- Response back to concerns raised - DM has picked this up

Chairperson's report – Steve Warren

- There is a new shirt that has come through. LN has seen this and it has one seam on the side. Price is around £30. DB had asked if the design was by Ron Hill as otherwise we would be in breach of copyright laws. SW confirmed there were no copyright issues as they would be designed by Ron Hill.
- SW has spoken to the Jane Tomlinson appeal and they will be in touch regarding cheque presentation.

Secretary report – Angela Dobbs

- Nothing to report.

Treasurer's report – Simon Rowbottom

- Figures calculated for last year, we had approx £6k more income than expenditure. This means that we have a surplus in the bank having built up from covid when reserves were depleted. SR proposed that it be discussed at the AGM about club members being given a free vest when they are available and the club numbers also had free access to track whereas currently they pay for this. GS stated that in terms of track, people are paying for a professional service. It was agreed that fees would be retained for track training. JS suggested a winter and summer rate as there is no lighting in during the summer.
- SR asked if someone could advise on donations that have been agreed from races for this year or last year. AH advised that SR was still holding money from Town Tree from last year. SW advised that there was £500 still to go to Jane Tomlinson
- DM asked if there might be issues if we don't run the 5k series for next year. SW confirmed that they were only talking about what was already in the bank and what was due in for this year.

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Membership report – Adam Hawkins

- 183 paid members, 179 first claim, 4 second claim, 92 male and 91 female. 18 new members since January. There are 51 who haven't rejoined.

Club Captain – Graham Still/Vicki Scrowston

- Two teams for North Dorset Village Marathon - mixed teams taking place next week. GS noted that someone within the club is a qualified coach who has also offered their services for the club and running track nights. Gill Pearson will therefore be added to the list of qualified coaches.

Kit – Graham Still

Championship secretary – Lesley Nesbitt

- Portland 10 - LN is trying to find details of this. At the moment no-one can enter this as it can't be found

Webmaster – Guy Williams

- SW advised that he had spoken to RH and he was able to come and go through the website with us. DM noted that mailchimp was a free account but if we wanted to send more than one thousand emails per month, we would need a subscription. GW to contact RH.
- AH asked if people could be asked to give feedback on the website at the AGM. It was agreed to add this to the agenda.

Data Protection/Welfare Officer – Dave Mears

- Nothing to report

Pub and club runs – Phil McQuaid

- Organised up to 18 July. The pre-run for Town Tree Trail will go back to Martock fish and chip shop after as there has been no response from the Rusty Axe.
- TW - one of the run leaders has asked if runs from Goldenstones could be put on the website as all the routes on there are from the football club. PM to send details of runs to GW to add to the website.
- PM noted that menu choices for the AGM need to be added to the website

AOB

- TW - couple of issues for 5k races in terms of who had signed up for the series. GW suggested this could be established from looking on fullonsport to find this out GS said that Timing Monkey would also be able to work this out. The other issue was with the gate and this was sorted straight away.
- JS - it was suggested that the faster ones could be sent out first on Tuesday runs - during covid the faster runs went out first. It had been noted that a couple of groups had gone out together and got mixed up as well as there being an accident. It had also been noted that people used to run the same route but with different distances depending on paces. It was noted that this could be raised as an announcement at the AGM

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- GS read out an email from VS stepping down as ladies captain from May. It was minuted that the club was very grateful and thankful to VS for the work that she has done and support she had given the club. It was agreed that it would be notified at the AGM that we are looking for a lady club captain.
- GW noted that he would need to step down from organising and being the race director for the 10k Easter Bunny. It was noted that we would need to determine whether we can access Yeovilton site going forward for next year.
- DM noted that the TMO course still needed to be booked and done.
- AH - Town Tree Trail, 100 runners so far. Club runners are welcome to run however AH will need marshals. AH has also been in contact with the daughter of the owner of Town Tree regarding opening this to the public. AH will be advising that if it is unlikely to be open, we may not be able to hold the run in future.
- AH asked if the club handicap was still being run. PM confirmed that it was. AH will get prizes for the first 3 runners.
- Thanks to everyone who helped out at cross country. From September the races will be moved to Mondays and not Wednesdays.

There next meeting will be Wednesday 5th June 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.