

# Rugby & Northampton Athletics Club: General Committee Meeting

**Date:** Monday 11 June 2012

**Venue:** Creaton

Present: Mark Exley, Tricia Garner, Paul Cooper, Terry Egan, Terry Akiens, Mary Akiens, Anne-Marie Williamson, Bill Walker, Joe Horsley, Ruth Waugh, Chris Cox

Apologies: Janet Wight

## 1. Matters arising

**1.1 *Joining fee.*** Agreed that a reminder that this was payable by anyone who has not renewed by 30<sup>th</sup> June go in the next newsletter.

**1.2 *Officials Courses.*** Unlikely to be any progress until the Olympics were over. Progression of younger officials to be a priority. Once course dates known then appeal via newsletter to be made.

**1.3 *Club Vests*** reported that larger sizes were not selling at Northampton AMW will pay in monies for vests to bank when enough to warrant banking raised. Supply of a new vest is on-going.

**1.3 *Presentation evening:*** costs of 'hoodies' vague. To be resolved at next meeting

**1.4 *RBC Sponsorship:*** £500 received following application by club.

**1.5 *Newsletter:*** Electronic newsletter now going out and planned to be weekly. Action on Sophie to provide contact address for items to go in newsletter to be sent to.

**1.6 *Pole-vault*** at Rugby: Inspection of pole-vault to take place on Friday.

**1.7 *Olympic Ball:*** Club members mailed previous week to gauge interest. Company sponsorship covers some places. 22 so far interested. Committed to 30 places. Further 15 places to fill at ball, Agreed only two places to be funded by club for 2 people doing presentation. Agreed to fund reasonable costs of designing and delivering presentation. Should be suitable for use at other events. Noted that Cemex have tables at event.

Programme of events on afternoon of ball in place and VIPs attending event confirmed.

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## 2. Finance

**2.1** Paul circulated the summary May accounts & reported on the up to date finances to the committee, which were reviewed.

**2.2** Track Charges:

Noted that Sixfields charges had gone up by 3.5% (index linked) in line with contract.

Rugby charges were going up by 20 – 30%, much of which was inclusion of VAT which DC Leisure had said not charged previously but should have been.

These charges will for basis of charge when Rugby stadium moves from DC Leisure to 'Leisure trust'.

Noted floodlights are now expensive at Rugby.

### **2.3** Request made for facts and figures on membership be supplied

- A) By age group by location
- B) Fixed costs on running club
- C) Other direct expenditure

Agreed that for future years team mangers, coaching staff etc. should be given a budget to work with rather than present system.

PC said that he would produce some half-yearly forecasts and that budgetary process would be discussed at the next meeting.

## **3. Membership**

14 New members proposed and accepted by the committee

Kakra Acquah-Cobbold	Panyin Acquah-Cobbold	Kevin Malik Green
Brandon Wheatley	Joseph Kehoe Salter	Kiona McLennon
Stephanie Parsons	Carron Wallace	Estelle Black
Zach Boynton	Shannon Burke	Jessica Gordon
Niamh Treacy	Harry Salt	

Rates for Students and coaches membership fees to be a future agenda item.

## **4. Facilities**

### **4.1** Sixfields

**4.1.1** TG meeting Avril on 6 July. Infield seeding underway but is suffering due to poor weather.

**4.1.2** Councillor responsible for leisure visited 6fields last Thursday

**4.1.3** Working towards being able to put on a track and field event at 6fields

**4.1.4** Basic repairs to track outstanding to keep it going in the medium term.

**4.1.5** Redevelopment of football stadium and area with shops and hotel now more likely.

### **4.2** Rugby

**4.2.1** Pole vault now repaired.

## **5. Website**

- 5.1** New website cost is £2,300 while will cost £400 to add simple CMS system to old site. Agreed that another quote for updating website required.
- 5.2** Hosting cost for site still £220 per year.
- 5.3** Need for website to be upgraded and agreed that expenditure of up to £2300 can be made to achieve this.

## **6. Competition**

- 6.1** WMYACC League – RW now registration secretary.
- 6.2** ME explained that the per-athlete charge of £1 is moving to a per club charge for next season. This disadvantages smaller clubs who will have to pay £100 registration fee. Proposed and agreed that we will pay £200 as a large club (still a saving on last year) in the future.

## **7. Correspondence**

None

## **8. AOB**

- 8.1** Email communication between Committee Members. Notes of meeting should now go onto website once signed off. Also to go onto notice boards. Action JH
- 8.2** Dates of future meetings
  - 9 July – Rugby
  - 13 August – Creaton
  - 10 September – Rugby
  - 8 October – Creaton
  - 12 November – Rugby
  - 10 December - Creaton
- 8.3**

Noted Angela Copson achieved a world record for 65 women age group for 1500 metres at Midland Masters with a time of 5:40:3

Meeting closed at 21:58

**Date of next meeting:** Monday 9 July at Rugby Clubhouse at 1930