

Rugby & Northampton Athletics Club: General Committee Meeting

Date: Monday 11 May 2015 **Venue:** Creaton

Present: Mark Exley, Terry Egan, Ben Townsend, Terry Akiens, Tim Merrey, Richard Blenkinsop, Joe Horsley, Mary Akiens, Janet Wright, Dave Burge

Apologies from: Angela Sumnall, Paul Cooper, Helen Gardner & Angela Horley.

1. Matters Arising from meeting of 9 March 2015

1.6.4 Senior match Newport: likely to be low number and a minibus will now suffice.

11.1 Awards night: proposal to be brought to future meeting

11.2 Coaches Kit: DB provided a sample of the proposed kit. Discussed in detail and agreed that for the summer all coaches would be provided with BLUE/BLACK POLO SHIRT.

2. Northampton Track

Construction continues. ME trying to broker a meeting to ensure that progress continues.

3. Rugby Clubhouse

3.1 JW said that an application for full planning permission will be made later this week. A new contact with Rugby School is on board.

Other actions area:

- Outline costing for full scheme
- Scaled back scheme cost also to be available
- Meeting with RBC to check for funding
- Meeting with Rugby TriClub tomorrow
- Meeting with man who has raised multi funded bids projects
- Inspired facilities bid needs to be in by 8 June

Previous costing for scheme were £125k for scaled down, £250k for full scheme.

JW to mail out full details:

3.2 Leisure Centre use of Club Room as creche

Recent visit to clubroom found it full of toys. All club contents had been stuffed in changing rooms to allow repaint to be done. No agreement for this to be done, no details of what works to be done. Decorating of room and new carpet seems to be what is being provided. Lack of security

Next Steps: Leisure Centre Manager putting together contract to go to Paul Cooper. Procedures needed for set up/close down and security. Update at next meeting

4. Finance

Reports noted, subscriptions in line with projections.

5. Membership

5.1 New members: proposed and all 29 accepted by the committee:

Isaac Akers	Ellie-Mae Andrews	Matthew Everett	Lucy Stevens
Logan Woolridge	Symon Woolridge	Jack Benstead	Angharad Conant
Nieve Harry	Helena Keenan	Beth Kelly	Rich Reeves
Catriona Rose	George Patrick	Jennie Foster	Susan Harris
Jennie May	Samantha Stuchbury	Mollie Watson	Niamh Watson
Graeme Dent	Ben Randall	Kymarah Clarke	Sasha Hardman

Amit Patel	Michael Howell	Shannon Blundell	Anna Fletcher
Rishi Mistry			

5.2 Membership stands at 980 members; Rugby 559 and Northampton 421 Qualified coaches 97, qualified officials 30.

6. Competition

6.1 **Rugby Spring Open – April:** Over 400 entries, raised £2.5k, no negative feedback.

6.2 **YDL Upper Age Group (at Milton Keynes):** Club won! Good performances all round. Next match next Saturday but lots of regulars not available.

6.3 **Midland League (at Rugby):** Let down by Cheltenham Officials, Newport arrived with virtually no officials. Leisure Centre not on the ball and needed lots of guidance. Match went off with no real incident. R & N AC 2nd

6.4 **On Line entry payment system:** RB said that he had contacted Midland Counties who would make their software available for a small donation. Payments via Paypal with 3½% commission going to Midland Counties.

6.5 **YDL Lower Age Group:** Won by record margin. Opposition not as good as could be but R & N still dominant. Outstanding athletes William Ballinger and Abigail Ward.

6.6 **Vets League Leamington:**

Lions Men – 2nd

Saints Men – 3rd

Lions Ladies – 1st

Saints Ladies - 6th

6.7 **H of E Worcester:** club came 5th overall

6.8 **Manchester 10k:** Angela Copson beat the World Record for women over 65 with a time of 40mins 30 seconds.

6.9 **London Marathon:** Howell Davies ran 2hr 30

7. Governance

None

8. Road Races

Rugby 6: on 13th May: MA said that everything was in place but short of one more marshall.

Agreed to buy 10 more Marshall bibs.

9. Communications

9.1 Website – No help forthcoming so far. Tim to contact Colin Durrant, if not available then general email for help.

9.2 PR support- ME trying to focus on positive personality issues, really difficult to get anything in the Chronicle & Echo.

10. Welfare

Sue Deeley now welfare officer at Rugby. A-M W continues as Northampton welfare officer

11. AOB

11.1 **Letter from Caroline Franks – Midland League:** letter Thanks

11.2 **Star Track** – runs for 4 weeks, £weeks for paying athletes and the 4th for under privileged for free. Price has risen since last year, staff to be paid minimum wage. JW will email out costings

Meeting closed 2057

Date of next meeting: Monday 8 June at 1930 at Creton.