

Rugby & Northampton Athletics Club: General Committee Meeting

Date: Monday 9 February 2015 **Venue:** Creaton

Present: Mark Exley, Angie Sumnall, Terry Eagan, Paul Cooper, Ben Townsend, Terry Akiens, Tim Merrey, Richard Blenkinsop, Joe Horsley, Ann-Marie Williamson, Mary Akiens.

Apologies: Ann-Marie Williamson

1. Matters Arising from meeting of 12 January 2015

3.2 Rugby locking up – resolved

3.3 Commission on club kit= under control, noted money from St Thomas Cross for top purchase for Rugby Coaches .

6.1 12 April Spring Open confirmed date: looking for permits for other dates

6.3 No longer sure if Beverley will take up team manager due to other commitments

6.4 Senior Match at Newport – clashes with major speedway event in Cardiff. Hotels in short supply and may need to stay further from stadium.

10 Welfare: meeting with Andy Carmichael still outstanding, due to non-availability from him, hopefully meet later in February.

11.1 Race Nights – 136 put of 208 took part. Sports Centre provided space for indoor high jump – good evening

2. Northampton Track

Cutting of first sod took place in front of media. Work now officially started. Bricks already purchased for clubhouse (as they currently have a 6month lead time!).

3. Rugby Clubhouse

3.1 Redrafted lease – no feedback on comments from RBC. Will be resolved shortly.

4. Finance

4.1 Subs – only first month of year but in line with budget

4.2 *January transactions* – Major expenditure item GLL track hire £3k, Coaches to travel Sixfields to Rugby £1.2k, Sports hall equipment for Rugby £1.7k.

4.3 Year to date accounts to end of January noted.

4.4 Coaching course expenditure noted.

4.5 Issue of clothing logo change raised. JH to speak to JW as not aware logo change agreed at committee.

5. Membership

5.1 New members proposed and all 20 accepted by the committee:

Helen Kent	Katherine Langton	Elizabeth Lodge	Robert Parsons
Clementine Seltzer	Isabel Spragg	Arthur Tilt	Nial Mathers
Paul Shotton	Franklin Fenning	Lucan Simons	Leo Breen
Ellie Harmer	Samuel Parsons	Jade Potter	Yasmin Potter
Lucy Ramskill	Robert Vizer	Olivia Willison	Jenny Broome

5.2 Membership stands at 977 members; Rugby 554 and Northampton 423. Qualified coaches 94, qualified officials 27.

5.3 Subscriptions for 2015

Proposal tabled with revised amounts for LRG (down from £70 to £60) plus new entry for Men's Running Group and U20 and U23 (student) membership category.

Long discussion over membership and it was agreed:

U20 will pay the same as U23 (student) with clear dates each year for included age range

LRG to be £60 rather than £70

Northampton Middle Distance runners pay £60 rather than £100 for this year due to lack of track to train on.

6. Competition

6.1 Fixture List – T&F – noted and agreed

6.2 YDL match 28 June – lack of starter. JE has names of other starters who may be available - noted

6.3 Club Connect Relays

RB said invitation from EA for 21 February, after review of available athletes and Midland Counties the following day decided to enter. EA then contacted JW and she accepted invitation. EA not aware both people are part of the same club! Issue over limited Northampton involvement and transport arrangements. Need for more communication within club

6.4 Midlands Cross Country: Nottingham

U20 Boys – Gold Jacob Allen

U15 Boys Gold & Bronze

U13 Boys Gold

U15 Girls –team silver (10/13/15/22)

U15 Boys – Team: Bronze

6.5 Men's Birmingham league – Cheltenham

No junior male took part with 8 out of 13 Vets (Paul Birch 60th)

12th overall. B Team 7th Overall

6.6 Midland Women's XC League

Emily Waugh 4th in race (4th overall in 4 races)

Finished 4th in Division 2. Vets 26th Overall but 4th overall in Division2

6.5 Indoor Competition at Lea Valley and Alexander Stadium

Lots of pbs

7. Governance

7.1 AGM

To be held at Crick on 2March at 1915.

First mail out to members (via email) on 2 February. Next mail out will be 23 February

7.2 LRG Proposal

ME provided the background

1. Open separate account
2. Pay in the money they receive from their next course (payment is via online portal)
3. Pay in money's raised from their other activities like Ready Steady Fun Run etc
4. Use the funds for coach development, equipment etc
5. Give surplus back to the club at the end of the year via donation/an activity.

They do not want any of the subs income and as such my previous mail is not relevant

Noted that the LRG committee is a subcommittee of the main R & N Committee. They will need to have agreed names of Chairperson and committee members to conform to constitution.

As a voluntary organisation we would not expect payments to people for carrying out work on behalf of LRG.

PC will try and attend first meeting.

Agreed to accept proposal

8. Road Races

Rugby Half-marathon. Doesn't have license and permits (yet). Course crosses several main roads. More information needed before the club agrees to help in any way.

Rugby 6 taking place on 13 May 2015 – help required.

9. Communications

9.1 Website – JH said that emails from the general enquiry link were missing data such as contact number and other information that people completed before mailing! TM to examine

9.2 PR support – Ongoing

10. Welfare

A-M W has agreed to continue as Welfare Officer

11. AOB

11.1 – Jacob Allen – request for contribution towards altitude training – agreed £100

11.2 Meeting Location for 13 April meeting as Creaton not available – IBIS at Crick suggested

Meeting closed 2153

Date of next meeting: Monday 9th March at Creaton at 1930.