

Rugby & Northampton Athletics Club: General Committee Meeting

Date: 8th February 2016, Creaton, 7.30pm

Present: Mark Exley, Angie Sumnall, Janet Wright, Mary Akiens, Terry Akiens, Joe Horsley, Ben Townsend, Dave Burge, Paul Cooper, Karen Rushton and Terry Egan

Apologies: Tim Merrey and Helen Gardner

1. Matters arising from meeting of 11 January 2016.

- 1.1 **Rubbish Bins:** Who empties the bins has still not been resolved. Issue with RBC as club has never paid for bin emptying.
- 1.2 **High Jump Cover:** resolved, caused by break in.
- 1.3 **Admin Role at Rugby:** work hopefully being split three ways between Karen, Belinda and Adam.

2. Northampton Track

Meeting held last week, NBC say due to drainage unlikely to open before June. This was not accepted and Moulton College is pressing for earlier completion. Meeting later this month to push forward. Suggested that contractor's look at Kettering and Bedford for good practise ways of achieving hard standing etc.

Agreement, College preparing draft lease and will pass to club to examine.

3. Rugby Clubhouse

- 3.1 **Lease:** Response from RBC in principle agreeing to land for store. RBC want details of store. Unlikely to be brick built. Will require planning permission. Likely cost should be available by the end of week.
- 3.2 **Clubhouse Phase1:** Has happened at cost of £900. Quotes obtained for replastering and electricals. Quote also required for completion of walk in store. JW also provided details of estimates for further works to compete Gym (donations of £3945 will cover part of cost).
- 3.3 **Fundraising:** Fund raising events to be held (auction and Startrack) plus sponsorship to fund. Await finance and budgets for decision.
Clear that basics need to be finished to make facility useable.
TA asked what work constituted the £3390 cost of electricals. Agreed to get other quotes for work. Agreed that project must carry on but that costs can be reduced if possible and push on with fund raising.

4. Finance

- 4.1 Subscriptions – projection to end of year likely to be lower than 2015(for one year only) until full April renewals take effect. £71k assumes existing subs rate and new track at Northampton boosting membership.
- 4.2 Transactions – Noted
- 4.3 Accounts to date – Noted
- 4.4 Budget for 2016 – Rugby track expenditure. Summary by PC of JWs figures. To be further discussed at March meeting.
- 4.5 Subscription proposal: Discussion over proposal to raise subscriptions to £120 per annum with the additional money going into developments. Easily divisible for monthly costs. Justifiable in terms of cost of coaching levels and training of coaches. Road runner's fees at £60 to remain unchanged
Agreed to take £120 subscription fees to AGM

5. Membership

5.1 New members: 31 new members proposed and all accepted

Brogan Adams	Kelly Kennedy	Naomi Leugs	Zac Pasqualin
Cian Shea	Kelsie Sullivan	Zoe Shepherd	Hannah Tapley
Lynette Ward	Victoria Bodycote	Faye Gee	Jan Glasscoe
Louise Hughes	Jemima Lambert	Paula Crick	Aileen O'Leary
Cameron Clarke	Lilia Digby	Tremell Foster	Ella Gunton
Tilly Halladey	Alex Hamling	Annabel O'Looney	Jasper Smith
Domonic Reynolds	Steven Reynolds	Lily Butler	Charlotte Harley-Hipkiss
Penelope Appleyard	Rachel Parry	Clare Walker	

5.2 1026 members: rugby – 617 (LRG – 164); Northampton 409.

It was noted that the club has a 33% turn over in athletes per year and the totals included 78 outstanding renewals some of whom have been registered with EA to allow them to compete.

5.3 Coaches – at 03/02/16 there were 107 Coaches. Need to chase up those who have not renewed their license. Also those who have not yet officially joined the club. List of all 35 Officials provided.

5.4 Honorary Members: Proposed that Andy Byrd, Judith Meeton and Steve Harris, all of whom have retired recently after coaching for a great number of years should be proposed as Honorary Members at the AGM.

5.6 Membership Secretary: TE retiring as membership secretary after 6 years. Over this time Terry had never missed a Committee Meeting. Terry recorded his thanks for the help of Angela Sumnall, Maria Beeton, Karen Rushton, Karen Townsend, Kay Shaw and Jim Elder for their help over this time.

5.7 Elite Membership: Agreed that Jacob Allen, Craig Murch and James Wright should be granted Elite Athlete status for the coming year.

6. Competition

6.1 **Maintaining Club Records:** Jim Elder has now left the club. ME will pick up until another volunteer can be found.

6.2 **January 16th 2016: Bermuda Running Festival**
Jacob Allen Represented England – 10k 5th 33:52

6.3 **January 16th Birmingham XC Lge Div1**
Robert Male 58th Team 12th
Midland Women's XC League
Rebecca Leadbeater 22nd 1st Team in Div. 2

6.4 **West Midlands YA XC LGE**
Adam Searle 1st U15B
Amy Walker 1st U15G
R & N 1st Team wins: U11G, U11B, U15B

6.5 Midland XC Champs
Adam Searle 2nd U15B
Teams: U15B 1st
U13G 2nd
U15G 3rd
U20W 3rd

7. Governance

7.1 **AGM/EGM**
Everything in place

7.2 **Club President**
Committee nominate Terry Egan to be proposed at AGM

7.3 **LRG/MRG**

Updated newsletter received and will be circulated

8. **Road Races**

MA said that the Warwickshire League starts with a race on Easter Monday

9. **Communication**

9.1 Website

Help is now moving on the website. Some parts are still out of date and need updating.

9.2 PR Support & Sponsorship

ME said that with assistance from others sponsorship, for specifics, seems close to happening

10. **Welfare**

Nothing to report.

11 **AOB**

None

Meeting Closed 2210. Date of next meeting 14 March 2016 at 19.30