

## Rugby & Northampton Athletics Club: General Committee Meeting

**Date:** Monday 13 July 2015      **Venue:** Creaton

**Present:** Mark Exley, Terry Egan, Terry Akiens, Richard Blenkinsop, Joe Horsley, Mary Akiens, Janet Wright, Dave Burge, Angela Sumnall, Paul Cooper, Helen Gardner

Apologies from: Tim Merry & Angela Horley.

Ben Townsend requested not to attend.

### 1. Matters Arising from meeting of 8 June 2015

9. Website/Website management: Grandfather of member has offered to temporarily take over the running of the website.

11. Coaches Kit: further discussion on the provision of coach's kit took place. Confirmed that the supply of this kit could come from a different supplier (to Vince). Agreed that the kit could be supplied by Moremile.

### 2. Northampton Track

DG/DP/ME had visited Moulton College 3 weeks ago and toured site. The banks round the track have been built and the base works for the track are in place. Planned completion date is now September with club house a couple of months later. Council project management is leading to slow progress. Moulton College starts athletics course in September. Some coaching help from club being provided but difficult as is during daytime.

College now has students booked onto course. Start now needed on terms for use of track to ensure it delivers what the club wants. Clubhouse has two stores, one for the college and one for the club. DP/DG requested to attend next meeting to discuss/update current position.

### 3. Rugby Clubhouse

Planning application has been passed, Grant application to Sport England submitted. Quantity surveyor engaged and quotes of £500k for full scheme. Other grant applications to be made as application cycle occurs. Maximum grants £100k but most £50k or below.

#### 3.1 Leisure Centre use of Club Room as crèche

JW said still sorting things out, have ability to give 3months notice to quit.

### 4. Finance

4.1 Subscriptions – in line with projections

4.2 Transactions – surplus of £4.9k this month

4.3 Accounts – summary of year to date, surplus stands at around £10k

4.4 Coaching courses – noted

4.5 Donation to Emma Wiltshire: contribution towards her attending the World Transplant Games in Argentina agreed at £300.

### 5. Membership

5.1 New members: proposed and all 58 accepted by the committee:

Emma Allan	Josua Almey	Evie Collins	Isabelle Gowler
Julia Hill	Mayyah Noorullah	Alice Bates	Harrison Bell
Keziah Thorman	Oriana Thorman	Ellisse Amos-Redfern	Lewis Holtom
Elsbeth Unitt	Daisy Woodley	Jonas Mckay	Calum Cooke
Lewis Cresswell	Tobi Okunuga	Jermaine Owusu	Ruby Keary

Olivia Witts	Kurtis Banks	Elizabeth Beresford	Teresa Blundell
Julie Bradnam	Deborah Brannan	Emma Brown	Sarah Catteau
Melaniw Clarke	Elena Cotterill	Phillipa Cresswell	Stephanie Dodd
Nicola Elliot	Carla Fisher	Emma Gibbard	Helen Mackley
Amanda Hedge	Beate Hirons	Jaqueline James	Deborah Littlejohn
Marion Maclellan	Debbie MaCarthy	Pretty Mistry	Maureen Mrowicki
Sorrel Nickless	Sue Nowill	Fiona O'Connell	Fiona Palmer
Amanda Proffitt	Kirsty Sadler	Helen Selwyn	Debby Short
Julie Taken	Deborah Thurman	Nina Townsend	Katherine Watson
Rebecca West	Andrea Wolstenholme		

5.2 Membership stands at 1037 members; Rugby 612 and Northampton 425 qualified coach's 97, qualified officials 32. LRG 171.

5.3 Membership application form: it was noted that there was no application form on the website. AS to mail final draft to TE/KR/ME for final check before adding to site.

5.4 Resignation: Hywell Davies has resigned from club and now able to run for Mckarkiss Elite Project

## 6. Competition

6.1 This has been the most successful season ever for both YDL leagues. Both teams will go to finals in Birmingham

6.2 **HofE**: Hosted match, stayed comfortably in the higher division, lots of Golds, silvers and bronzes for best performances.

6.3 **Senior Match- Newport**: Club came 2<sup>nd</sup>

6.4 **East Midlands Grand Prix**

Senior men won the series

Vet men 2<sup>nd</sup>

6.5 **Vets League Leamington**:

**Lions Men** – 1

**Lions Ladies** – 1<sup>st</sup>

6.6 **Club Connect Relays**: Top three finishers, agreed £250 win money to be allocated by girls involved

6.7 **Chairmans Cup**: Club record for U11 boys in high jump. Mile – Amy Walker U15G, U15 boys placed 1,2 &3.

6.8 **23 club athletes at English Schools Championships**: 5 in Warwickshire and 18 in Northamptonshire

6.9 **Senior Teams 2016**: JW said that there was a risk that the club would turn into a junior athletics club. It was proposed that:

- Review of coaching structure – gap analysis;
- Target coach development;
- Bring in/direct athletes to expert coaches;
- Create club protocol for athletes going to university; and
- Ensure provision of high standard of league competition

It was proposed to re-join the UK senior league and indication given of likely competition venues in that league. Unless we move forward we will lose all the talent that we have created in the junior league competition.

Agreed that we proceed with application

6.10 **WMVALCC – hosted matches**

DG accepts that he should have checked before offering to host. With 300 captive parent available there should be lots of help with many of the volunteer positions already covered. Nsport helping. Bill Boyd involved.

6.11 **Road Running – proposal from John Gercs**: proposal has changed in the last 24hrs. Still need to recruit more adult road runners to the club. Now will aim to get athletes to join the club at full price.

## 7. Governance

Association of GB Athletics Clubs- invitation to join this group declined.

## 8. Road Races

Nothing

## 9. Communications

9.1 Website – already covered under matters arising

9.2 PR support- ongoing

## 10. Welfare

Nothing

## 11. AOB

11.1 **5 year plan- a new/updated:** The 5 year plan is required to be updated as it is a key club document. It is also use background information for many of the grant applications, JW will update and circulate by the end of August

11.2 **Senior development** – see above.

11.3 **Jim Elder** – club records. Guidelines to be agreed at August meeting

11.4 **EA Partnership** – JH advised that EA partnered with Intercontinental Hotels. Agreed that this be circulated to members.

11.5 **LRG** – Report circulated and noted.

11.6 **Database for membership** – quotations for tailor made database received but further quote needed. Agreed this was the way forward but other quotes still required.

11.7 **Hosted event** – Rugby: Unable to located our own throwing implements at event. Need to have a locked area for our competition equipment. Cost of locked cage would be £950 with storage shed.

11.8 **Club Champs** – provisional date needed

Meeting closed 2212

Date of next meeting: Monday 10 August at 1930 at Creaton.