

Rugby & Northampton Athletics Club: General Committee Meeting

Date: 4th November 2017, Creaton, 7.30pm

Present: Mark Exley, Angie Sumnall, Dave Burge, Paul Cooper, Karen Rushton, Adrian White, Amanda Gurney, Joe Horsley, Terry Akiens and Janet Wright

Apologies: Steve Reynolds

Resignation: Katie Roseblade

1. Matters arising from meeting of previous meetings

- 1.1 Special Olympic Programme – agreed to proceed and sign up
- 1.2 Throws coaching: session at Moulton cancelled as not enough take up.
- 1.3 Officials' courses: Rugby – 8 have taken some of the modules. JW looking at organising timekeeper's course in February 2018.
- 1.4 Warm weather training – on athlete has paid up, one athlete owes £450 and is paying off £50 per month. Discussion held over ways to ensure organisers are not left out of pocket.

2. Facilities

2.1 Northampton

Indoor throws training using the Equestrian Centre has been withdrawn as unsafe when cold due to material on floor. Now relocated to different suite and taking place on Saturdays. New facilities manager in place at Moulton College.

2.2 Rugby

JW has approached RBC to restart meeting over track. RBC have no cash to spend on track. Looking at Trust/Group to gain funding for track refurbishment. Rugby School would support hike in hire fees to provide 50% of income to refurb track. Track hire currently £16 per hour compared to £28 per hour at Moulton. Also looking for joint funding of training equipment. Club would need to put in £10k-£15k contribution to fund £50k worth of work by March 2018.

3. Competition

3.1 Forthcoming Hosted Events

14th January 2018 – Abington Park X Country match. KR to circulate email for volunteers to marshal.

3.2 Coach Development Training

Nil

3.3 Team Management

Need to ensure there is sufficient support organisation in place for the team managers

3.4 Official Recruitment and Training

See matters arising. Need for two marksmen within club.

3.5 Recent Competition Results

See details at bottom of meeting notes

4. Finance

4.1 Financial reports

Subscriptions – - likely to exceed budget with projected £90k for the year.

Transactions – Noted

Accounts to date – Noted

Actual TY vs LY – Noted.

4.2. Budget

JW has produced a 2018 budget. DG needs to produce one in a similar format for Northampton. ME will produce estimated costs for matches.

4.3. Sports Hall

Rugby normally enter and previously costed £500, likely to be around £2k and needs budget provision for future years.

4.4. Foundation

Aviva bid for £25k for pole vault bed etc. was unsuccessful. The leading bidders recurred over 7500 votes while our bid only reached 4441. Disappointed over less than half of the club members voting for the bid. Lessons learnt for next year and different approach /category will be used.

5. Membership

5.1 No membership statistics this month

6. Governance

3.1. Club Policies

Deferred to next meeting. Steve Reynolds to circulate before meeting.

3.2. Reports from sub-committees

None.

7. Communication

7.1 Website

DB has mailed BA – needs to understand if Leader are hosting or using WordPress as host. 75% of websites use WordPress and are hosted by them.

Decision needs to be made on whether to terminate Leader at end of current term.

BA needs to talk with others to determine what WordPress can deliver.

7.2. Members communication

The Foundation Trust will be issuing a newsletter in the near future.

8. Late notice items

8.1 Safety Signs/Gym Rules for Rugby - JW

2 x keypad security locks plus Perspex signs required. Key safe for security. To be part of 2018 spend in January and part of budget.

8.2 Coach Development Meeting

Strength, conditioning and jumps. Need to find someone with insurance and qualifications. Person found (has own company) and costs £40 per week. Becoming cost neutral within 6 to 12 months. Agreed but costs need to be controlled. To be reviewed in 3 months

8.3 Club Kit – new kit being trialled at track and on-line shop available soon. Finessed logo on kit due to risk of copyright breach.

8.4 Next AGM – request made this year for it to be in Rugby. Rugby members asked to find reasonably priced venue and advise at January 2018 meeting.

Meeting Closed 2200 Date of next meeting 8 January at 1930

Recent Competition Results

Birmingham & District XC league

11th Nov Cheltenham

15th 980 pts R & N

66 Alistair McDonnell

97 Stephen Marks

166 John Gercs

200 John Taylor

216 Nigel Roberts

235 Vince Carroll

No "B" Team

310 finishers

Midlands women's XC league

11th Nov Coundon Park, Coventry

6th 162 pts R & N from 15 teams

13th Gabriella Moriarty

21st Emma Bond 6th Junior

61st Bethan Goddard

67th Tamara Hardman 17th Master

11th 103 pts Masters Team

67th Tamara Hardman 17th Master

89th Daisy Melville 34th Master

125th Angela Copson 52nd Master

213 finishers

Birmingham & District XC league

2nd race 2nd Dec Stoke on Trent

15th 565pts R & N on the day

overall place 16th 1545pts after 2 races

11 Dominic Jones

72 Haydn Arnall

97 Richard Latimer

109 John Gercs

120 Adnan Haq

156 Jon Taylor 565pts

"B" Team 1194pts

261 finishers