

Rugby and Northampton Athletic Club Committee Meeting
Wednesday 1st April 2020
On-line meeting using Zoom, start: 7.30pm

Attendees – Jenny Eaton, Amanda Gurney, Terry Akiens, Mark Barrowclough, Adrian White, Dave Burge, Janet Wright, Paul Cooper.

Apologies – John Geracs, Kate Williams, Ruth Woodward, Vince Carroll.

1) Minutes of the last meeting	There was one change to the draft minutes: the cost of electronic timing for the YDL meeting would have been £200. With this change, the minutes of the February meeting were accepted as a proper record.	
2) Matters Arising	<p>i) It has not been possible to meeting with Amy yet. Amy has said that she is available to meet by Zoom some time from 13 April onwards. Adrian will propose a meeting on 15 April, involving Adrian, John, Jenny, Paul and Janet.</p> <p>ii) Janet has still to send out the information from the coaches meetings to committee members. It is proposed to leave defining the roles of committee members until after the AGM and the meeting with Amy.</p> <p>iii) It is planned to provide waterproof jackets to coaches and officials who don't already have them, with the same colour for all (light blue). Dave has found a jacket on the Trespass website in the correct colour, price £29.99. However, it is only available in a men's style. It was agreed that Dave would order one for us to look at. Since the meeting, Adrian had found that his jacket was from Regatta, who provide a ladies' style at £39.95. Adrian/Dave – please liaise with each other to decide what to go for.</p> <p>iv) Instagram is working on shutting the existing account. Jenny is still in discussion with twitter about shutting that account. Online training session on the best use of social media for the club still to be arranged.</p> <p>v) Dave commented that the list of people with outstanding subs was quite short. In the current circumstances, we will not proceed with Final Demand letters.</p> <p>vi) Janet had submitted a grant application to RBC for a mower. However, RBC have advised that we cannot take on the mowing, so the grant application is not being progressed. Janet will check whether the grant application can be changed to cover other equipment, e.g. hurdles trolleys or other items from the list circulated on 3/2/2020. It is understood that RBC are investigating obtaining a robot mower for installation at the track.</p> <p>vii) The new tent funded by LRG/MRG has arrived. Terry has put a photo of it on Facebook.</p> <p>viii) The edited minutes of committee meetings since the 2019 AGM are on the website.</p>	<p>Adrian</p> <p>Janet</p> <p>Adrian Dave Jenny</p> <p>Janet</p>

3) Membership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) 15 new members were elected. Also, 2 transfers from other clubs were confirmed, one from Northampton Road Runners and the other from Northampton AC. ii) Three club transfer requests were agreed as resignations and there was one other resignation (no transfer request), which was accepted. 30 inactive members have been “resigned” by Janet Wright whilst cleaning up the membership details on the EA Portal. iii) An e-mail about membership fees was sent to members on 26 March. The implementation was discussed. Dave to think about it and discuss with Paul. Requests for EA fees are not being sent out at present. 	Dave, Paul
4) Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The new Club Disciplinary Procedure has been finalised ready for adoption after the SGM, subject to acceptance of the proposed changes to the constitution. 	
5) SGM/AGM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The meeting planned for 16 March at Watford Village Hall was postponed due to the Coronavirus situation. ii) It was agreed that the meeting will instead take place on 6 May as a Zoom meeting. Paul will prepare a notice of the meeting with a Zoom link. 	Paul
6) Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) The Rugby and Moulton facilities have been closed because of the Coronavirus situation. ii) Paul has prepared a proposal for resolving the Rugby clubhouse lease issue and has sent it to Ruth to get her thoughts. iii) The bins at Rugby are collected on a Monday. Paul will ask for the collections to be suspended. On the subject of a bin rota, it was suggested that the LRG could be asked to put the bins out on Saturdays prior to the Monday collection. iv) Simone Ager will be moving to London. Adrian to inform Paul when she is due to finish coaching. v) There are 3 people interested in starting coaching at Moulton. We are awaiting courses to re-start so that they can attend and have DBS checks. 	Paul/ Ruth Paul Adrian
7) Competition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Forthcoming Hosted events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) SPRING OPEN – 4th & 11th April. The events have been cancelled. Paul has cancelled first aid. John is pursuing refunds of entries (Janet to check progress). b) ROSE OF SHIRES Ultra 54 – 28th March – cancelled. c) Rugby 6 – 13th May – cancelled (note: the Rugby 10 is on 4 October) d) English Schools T&F Champs and Home International have been cancelled. e) All YDL fixtures have been cancelled. The first two rounds of the Midland League and Midland Vets League have been cancelled, along with the first round of the Heart of England League. ii) Team Management Nothing to report iii) Coach Development 	John Janet

	<p>Tom Tyler attended a recent coaching assistant course after someone else pulled out. Paul will reimburse Tom for the course fee and request a refund for the unused voucher.</p> <p>Volunteering – we have had a volunteer to help with funding bids but no other volunteers. Janet will follow-up the request for help.</p> <p>Coaching structure to put up in the Clubhouse – Janet pursuing.</p> <p>iv) Officials Courses cancelled.</p> <p>v) Recent Competition Results</p> <p>8 Feb – Birmingham League Div. 1 race 4, Newbold Comyn Team 3rd, 5th overall. Dom Jones 4th overall (8th in every race).</p> <p>8 Feb – Midland Womens League Div. 2, Newbold Comyn SW team 8th, VW team 9th.</p> <p>9 Feb – WMYACCL round 5, Wolverhampton Overall team 5th, U17W team 7th, U11G team 6th, U15G 9th. U11B team 4th, U17M team 2nd, U15B team 4th, U13B team 10th (Arthur Tilt 1st). Turnout affected by bad weather. Final table: overall 5th.</p> <p>13 Feb – Armagh International Road Races 5K Josh Lay 13th, 13:55 (2nd U20 all-time)</p> <p>14-16 Feb – BUCS Indoor Athletics Champs, Sheffield. 400m – Aidan Leeson (Loughborough) 3rd, 47.96</p> <p>22 Feb - National Cross Country Champs, Nottingham U20M – Josh Lay 2nd U17M – Fergus Scott 8th U13B – Arthur Tilt 18th</p> <p>22-23 Feb – England Athletics U15/U17/U20 Champs, Sheffield U20M 400m – Ed Faulds 1st, 48.74 U20W TJ – Georgie Forde-Wells 3rd, 12.43</p> <p>23 Feb - British Masters Pentathlon Championships, Lee Valley M70 Pentathlon - Dave Cowley 1st, 3165pts W70 Pentathlon – Sally Hine 1st, 3674pts</p> <p>7-8 Mar - British Masters Championships, Lee Valley M35 800m – Chris Lamb 3rd, 2:07.10 M60 DT – John Moreland 1st, 51.49, SP 3rd, 12.17 W70 60m, 200m, 60mH, HJ, LJ, TJ – Sally Hine 1st</p> <p>14 March - British Masters Cross Country Champs, Corwen W70 1st Angela Copson</p> <p><u>Club Cross Country Champions 2020</u> Senior Men : Dominic Jones Veteran Men : Nick Gower Junior Men : Josh Lay Senior Women: Tilly Lea Veteran Women: Angela Copson Junior Women: Olivia Sheehan</p>	<p>Paul</p> <p>Janet</p> <p>Janet</p>
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8) Finance	<p>i) Paul had circulated the usual finance reports. During the current suspension, we need to minimise expenditure.</p> <p>ii) The Rugby Clubhouse electricity supply contract finishes shortly. Paul had checked prices with 2 comparison companies and both confirmed that our existing supplier (EDF) is still cheapest. Paul has arranged a new 2-year deal.</p> <p>iii) We are on a 1-year deal with WaterPlus for the clubhouse water. They have been using estimated readings since August 2017, leading to a substantial overestimate. Paul has supplied an actual reading. Based on this, we are substantially in credit and unlikely to have to pay for water this year or next.</p>	
9) Any Other Business	i) Virtual Athletics - James Wright is providing 4 sessions per week via Facebook and Youtube. Ian Gidley is also doing remote sessions with his group. Janet will check what has been sent out by EA and will contact coaches to let them know what is available.	Janet
10) Date of Next Meeting	<p>The next meeting will be the SGM and AGM on 6th May via Zoom.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.30pm</p>	