

Rugby and Northampton Athletic Club Committee Meeting

Wednesday 1st July 2020

On-line meeting using Zoom, start: 7.30pm

Attendees – Adrian White, John Geracs, Paul Cooper, Jenny Eaton, Dave Burge, Vince Carroll, John Terrell, Mark Barrowclough (part-time).

Apologies – Amanda Gurney, Janet Wright, Kate Williams, Terry Akiens, Deb Odell.

Due to a problem holding the meeting with MS Teams, there was a last-minute switch to Zoom.

1. Minutes of the last meeting	The minutes of the June meeting were accepted as a proper record.	
2. Matters arising from June meeting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Terrell (Northampton) and Deb Odell (Rugby) were co-opted as members of the Committee. • It was agreed to continue to delay sending out Amy's survey until we are back to more normal activity. • Waterproof jackets – on hold until normal activities resume. • Instagram: old account closed, new account in operation (administrator: Simone Ager): https://www.instagram.com/rugbyandnorthamptonac/ • Twitter still not resolved – Jenny to try again. • Coaching Structure – Janet will put up in the Clubhouse when we are able to return to the Rugby track. 	Jenny Janet
3. Progress with restricted return to activity	<p><u>Rugby</u> Janet had sent a report on the status via Jenny:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 19th June - mailed all 235 Rugby based athletes u11 to u20 to explain current situation and back to training information • Great response with estimated at least 130 track and field athletes now training and 15 new starters. • Venues in use: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ashlawn School – Monday (U11s only), Tuesdays and Thursdays. ○ Lawrence Sheriff School Astro turf – James' group and Kay's sprint ○ Crick Astro turf – Ian Gidley's HJ group ○ Ladies Running Group – about 70 in sessions around Rugby ○ Whinfield Rec. - Rugby Runners ○ Nuneaton track – James' group + individuals ○ Moulton (Sundays) – some athletes & coaches • Wednesday daytime openings of Rugby track were cancelled after the Government's decision to extend closures of sports centres. It is now unclear when the track will re-open. • RBC have decided to engage a specialist company to check the track status to see if a full dig out or resurface is required. If only a resurface, this means more works can be included in the £250k budget. Until 	

	<p>this is known, the scope of works cannot be completed and the contractor cannot be awarded the work, so the start date is not known.</p> <p><u>Moulton</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Track open at usual times on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. Operating at maximum capacity with 5:1 athletes-to-coach ratio. 	
4. Membership	<p>a) Elections Two new members were elected.</p> <p>b) Resignations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One club transfer request was agreed as a resignation (subsequently changed her mind and is staying with us) There were 6 resignations (no transfer requests), which were accepted. <p>c) Other membership items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paul is re-starting the paused GoCardless direct debits to collect renewal payments on 1 August. Paul is also contacting other members to request renewal payments on 1 August (except where not yet due). Monthly GoCardless payment plans for Individual and Family memberships have been introduced (£14 and £28/month, as decided at the interim committee meeting on 17 June. Requests for EA fees are not being sent out, except where members ask for them. EA have extended the registration renewal deadline to 31 August 2020 for the current affiliation year (year to 31 March 2021). Our minimum age was queried and confirmed to be 8 years, according to the Constitution. John G. will investigate whether there is any reason that it has to be age 8 (e.g. insurance). 	John G.
5. Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paul had circulated the usual finance reports. Income and expenditure have continued to be very low, although last month's expenditure has included hire charges for Moulton track and Ashlawn School, as well as PPE and first aid kits. "Sponsorship" to be an agenda item for a future meeting. 	
6. Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paul has still to contact RBC with the proposal agreed at the June meeting for modifying the draft lease to try to enable RBC to remove clause 10.2: "We may end this lease by giving to you not less than six months' written notice at any time during the term of the lease." 	Paul
7. Coaching & Competition	<p><u>Competition</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most of the track and field events this season have been cancelled. The Midland Vets League might be limited to just a final. Rugby 10 – awaiting further guidance from EA before deciding whether to proceed (planned date: 4 October). 	

8. Governance	<p>Paul has not had time for the actions from the previous meeting and is aiming to complete them for the July meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disciplinary Procedure - put a finalised version on the website. • Modify the draft revision of the constitution in line with the comments at the SGM. 	Paul
9. Any Other Business	No other business.	
10.Date of Next Meeting	<p>The next Committee meeting will be on 5th August via Teams.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 8:50 p.m..</p>	