

## Rugby and Northampton Athletic Club Committee Meeting

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2020

**On-line meeting using Zoom, start: 7.30pm**

Attendees – Adrian White, John Gercs, Paul Cooper, Terry Akiens, Dave Burge, Janet Wright, Mark Barrowclough, John Terrell.

Apologies – Jenny Eaton, Amanda Gurney, Vince Carroll, Kate Williams.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting	The minutes of the September meeting were accepted as a proper record.	
2. Matters arising from September meeting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EA Questionnaire. Amy Frith is back at work after several months on furlough and has requested a meeting to discuss how to proceed with the review. The meeting was arranged for 14 October by Zoom.</li> <li>• Waterproof jackets. No progress. Adrian to find out the number required for coaches at Northampton and Janet to do the same at Rugby. (Jackets will also be obtained for Terry and Mary to replaces the ones that have 'coach' printed on them.)</li> <li>• Twitter – no report on progress – Jenny to advise.</li> <li>• Coaching Structure – No progress. Janet to put up in the Rugby Clubhouse when back in use.</li> <li>• Minimum age –John G. reported that the minimum age could be reduced but it was agreed to leave it as eight.</li> <li>• Website – The Membership page has been updated with correct information about fees and links for GoCardless. Adrian has still to propose an update of the "Benefits" section of the Membership page.</li> <li>• London Marathon – Paul still to remind Kay that LRG members should register with EA if they want to be considered for a club entry. No. of entries based on first claim registered member over 18 as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 place for up to 150</li> <li>• 2 places for 151 to 250</li> <li>• 3 places for 251 to 350</li> <li>• 4 places for 351</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>We currently qualify for 1 place due to the low number registered this year because of COVID.</p>	<p>Adrian Janet</p> <p>Jenny Janet</p> <p>Adrian Paul</p>
3. Progress with restricted return to activity	<p>a) <u>Moulton</u> <u>COVID secure environment</u></p> <p>The forehead thermometer ordered by Adrian is being used at Moulton but doesn't work well outside. An NHS QR code has been obtained but is not being used yet. Track and trace slip are not yet in use although coaches are keeping attendance records. It was agreed that we should start keeping track and trace records more formally.</p> <p><u>Under 11s</u></p>	Adrian

	<p>A 6-week course starts this Sunday, 11 October. It is already fully subscribed.</p> <p><u>EA camps</u> An EA Junior Talent Program Weekend is planned for 28/29 November, which will mean cancellation of our Sunday session.</p> <p>There will also be an England Throws Camps (ETC) Winter Camp from Friday 30 October to Sunday 1 November, which will not interfere with our Sunday session.</p> <p>b) <u>Rugby</u> Janet circulated a COVID Action Plan, updated COVID participation waiver form and a sheet of Track &amp; Trace slips after the September meeting. Janet also circulated a draft update of the Rugby track facility risk assessment before the meeting.</p> <p>The risks from indoor training in the gym and clubroom were discussed – particularly the risk from aerosol transmission from people breathing more heavily during exercising. It was agreed that the clubhouse must remain closed for indoor training until the end of the year, when the situation will be reviewed. Janet will update the risk assessment and the COVID participation waiver form. Janet will also check with GLL about other options for indoor training.</p> <p>There is an NHS QR code for the Rugby facility and people are being asked to use this or to put a track and trace slip in a new post box on the clubhouse. Coaches are either maintaining their own attendance registers or using Coacha.</p> <p>Belinda’s role from the end of October (end of the government’s furlough scheme) was discussed. Paul will contact Belinda about our proposal.</p> <p>c) <u>U11s/Wright Track Coaching (WTC)</u> Paul circulated (on 15 Sept, with the Sept committee minutes) an updated draft of the agreement describing how R&amp;N will work with WTC in future. There have been no further comments. It has not yet been sent to James. Janet to look at it tomorrow.</p>	<p>Janet</p> <p>Paul (done)</p> <p>Janet</p>
4. Membership	<p>a) Elections 34 new members were elected. Two athletes transferring to us from NAC were also elected. Two members were reinstated on the membership list.</p> <p>b) Resignations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One club transfer request was agreed as a resignation.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>84 inactive members have been removed from the EA Portal by Janet and Kay (includes some resignations, no transfer requests).</li> </ul> <p>c) Other membership items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dave will generate a list of current members showing who has paid so that those who have not paid can be chased.</li> </ul>	Dave
5. Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Paul had circulated the usual finance reports.</li> <li>A reasonable amount of subs income has been received and there is a net balance of income v expenditure of about £30K. The finances are in a reasonably good state considering the circumstances this year, although it was noted that, with most people paying subs annually, the income received in the last few months will need to cover expenses for several months to come.</li> <li>It was agreed to make two donations in memory of John Love. Another memorial is also being pursued.</li> </ul>	
6. Facilities	<p><u>Northampton</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is a discussion with the College about ownership of equipment, e.g. high jump, long jump covers. Paul will provide information about this. Adrian has suggested a User's Forum to discuss future maintenance of the facility.</li> </ul> <p><u>Rugby</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The '106' funding for the track repair is about £270K, although RBC are looking for more funding.</li> <li>The survey has been completed and it is proposed to replace the entire track, including the tarmac base layer.</li> <li>The start date is still uncertain. It is understood that RBC still hope to start at the end of February 2021.</li> <li>Still awaiting a reply from RBC to our proposal for the modification of the clubhouse lease to RBC.</li> </ul>	Paul
7. Coaching & Competition	<p><u>Forthcoming events</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The opens planned at the Rugby track in September were cancelled as instructed by the council due to the worsening COVID situation.</li> <li>Santa Run – cancelled for 2020.</li> <li>A club race night was held at Moulton on 6 October.</li> <li>In the absence of the usual winter competitions, it was proposed to hold our own CC event. Adrian will discuss with Kate.</li> </ul> <p><u>Coach Development &amp; Training</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The previously advertised courses have disappeared from the EA website. To be queried with Amy Frith next week.</li> </ul> <p><u>Officials Courses</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Various on-line courses are available.</li> </ul> <p><u>Recent competition results</u></p> <p>4-5 Sept, Muller British Championships</p>	Adrian Kate

	<p>1500m 3<sup>rd</sup> Josh Lay 3:51.60        800m 7<sup>th</sup> in heat 2 Adam Wright 1:52.87        400m 4<sup>th</sup> in heat 3 Ed Faulds 47.94        TJ 7<sup>th</sup> Georgie Forde-Wells 12.04</p> <p>15 Sept, Galà dei Castelli, Bellinzona, Switzerland        1500m 5<sup>th</sup> Josh Lay 3:36.92 (PB)</p>	
8. Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Constitution - the current draft was accepted and will be issued.</li> </ul>	Paul
9. AOB	None	
10. Date of Next Meeting	<p>The next Committee meeting will be on 4<sup>th</sup> November by Zoom.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9:15 p.m..</p>	