

Rugby and Northampton Athletic Club Committee Meeting

Wednesday 6th January 2021

On-line meeting using Zoom, start: 7.30pm

Attendees – Adrian White, Paul Cooper, Terry Akiens, Dave Burge, Janet Wright, Vince Carroll.

Apologies – John Geracs, Amanda Gurney, Mark Barrowclough, John Terrell, Kate Williams.

Jenny Eaton has stood down as Secretary.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting	The minutes of the December meeting were accepted as a proper record.	
2. Matters arising from December meeting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EA Questionnaire – When Adrian checked with Amy last month, there had been a low response, so a chaser was sent on 27 December. Adrian will check the number of responses with Amy again. • Twitter – Jenny has reported that, when she last heard from Twitter, they were closing the account for us. However, it still appears when you search for it. Jenny will check again with Twitter. • London Marathon – There are still no details about club entries for 2021. • John Love Memorial Trophy – The proposal from NAA committee to donate a trophy for the NAA Men's 5000m Championship was agreed. It was agreed that we will also hold our own race or meeting in memory of John. 	<p>Adrian</p> <p>Jenny</p>
3. Training activities	<p>Due to the new lockdown coming into force today, face-to-face training activities are suspended again and the tracks are closed. It is unclear when we can resume activities.</p> <p>a) <u>Moulton</u> The Moulton track remained open when Northants went into Tier 4 on 31/12/20, although the indoor facilities closed. We anticipate that it will re-open when the lockdown ends.</p> <p>b) <u>Rugby</u> The Rugby track closed on 31/12/20 when Warwickshire went into Tier 4. Janet had already started looking for alternative facilities when the lockdown was announced. She will continue looking as they could be needed when lockdown ends. Various possible facilities with floodlights were mentioned.</p> <p>It was agreed that we should encourage coaches to provide training plans to athletes during the lockdown. A coaches meeting by Zoom could be arranged if helpful for exchanging ideas and experiences.</p>	<p>Janet</p>

	<p>The Saturday and Sunday Club sessions due to start in January are postponed.</p> <p>Janet has still to update and circulate the risk assessment and the COVID participation waiver form.</p> <p><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&N will work with WTC. Janet will look at and reply about the document before the February meeting.</p>	<p>Janet</p> <p>Janet</p>
4. Membership	<p>a) Elections 7 new members were elected. There has been one transfer to us (from Peterborough & Nene Valley AC, effective 23/12/2020).</p> <p>b) Resignations There have been no resignations.</p> <p>c) Other membership items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave had been unable to update the Membership Register as the information on membership types has disappeared from the EA Portal. Paul will inform Dave of changes since the last issue of the Register so that Dave can update it. • It was agreed to extend memberships and pause monthly payments due to the lockdown. Paul will circulate an e-mail to members and Adrian will notify people on Facebook. 	<p>Paul Dave</p> <p>Paul Adrian (done)</p>
5. Finance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paul had circulated the usual finance reports, including the preliminary year end accounts. • The December transactions included £1300 for a second-hand Watt bike, funded by LRG. It was noted that, with this addition, the gym will be more or less full of equipment and no other purchases will be made. • Grant opportunities were discussed, including ideas to support the RBC refurbishment of the Rugby track, e.g. floodlight switching from the clubhouse, low energy floodlights, high jump cover. Janet will prepare a proposal for discussion at the next meeting. • Various changes of bank account signatories were confirmed. 	<p>Janet</p>
6. AGM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The date for the AGM was agreed: 17 March 2021, by Zoom. • All committee members present agreed that they will stand for re-election. Suggestions for a new secretary and committee member will be pursued. 	
7. Facilities	<p><u>Northampton</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to report. <p><u>Rugby</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update on the track refurbishment. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A meeting between RBC and our trustees was held on 18 December and the remaining points about the new lease were agreed. We are proceeding with signing the lease. 	
8. Coaching & Competition	<p><u>Forthcoming events</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to report. <p><u>Team management</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Janet has replied to the YDL questionnaire about plans for 2021 saying that we will accept any of the options but suggesting matches should be as late as possible in the season. <p><u>Coach Development & Training</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No sign of on-line courses. <p><u>Officials Courses</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Janet to pursue on-line courses with Maggie. • Terry will scan and forward the business card of someone who has expressed interest in taking part. <p><u>Recent competition results</u></p> <p>None</p>	Janet Terry
9. Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The new version of the Constitution has been signed. 	
10. AOB	<p>1. <u>CLIC Sargent's Race to the North Pole</u> The 2700 miles distance was covered twice. £847 has been raised for CLIC Sargent.</p>	
11. Date of Next Meeting	<p>The next Committee meeting will be on 3rd February 2021 by Zoom.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9:00 p.m..</p>	