## Roadhoggs Committee Meeting Cow and Plough 27<sup>th</sup> July 2010

**1.Present**: Dave Swan, Colin Smith, Steve Martin, Dave Lodwick, Alison Lodwick, Mark Chamberlain, Keith Dakin, Kim Richardson, Clare O'Neill, Malcolm Blythe, Rachel Moyes

2.Apologies: Barry Waterfield, Ron Atton

**3.Minutes:** Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

**4.Matters Arising:** Visit to Langton still required to look at facilities for Summer race next year.

**5.Chairmans Report:** Things going well. Membership keeps increasing, with more new members on board and thanks were given to Dave L for work on website, which is important tool in recruitment. Thanks were given to volunteers who marshalled at Race for Life. Thanks to Dave L for work on 100 lap challenge, 18 Roadhoggs (and one ringer) attended. Finished 8<sup>th</sup> out of 9 but was an enjoyable evening. Thanks were given to Keith for the recent couple of social events, which were well attended. Congratulations were given to Ladies team, for position of 2<sup>nd</sup> best Ladies team after Charnwood (top of division 1) at Swithland race.

**6.Treasurers Report:** Balance in bank is £1749.55. No outstanding payments are remaining (eg .kit and Glooston).

Glooston finances are to be discussed later. Finances are generally good approaching the Autumn season.

**7.Road Running Captains Report:** League races have been well supported, with some good results. Away trips over recent years have been a success, and the next event in January 2011 is planned to Marrakesh. 13 people have so far put names down.

Mens vets are top of Division 2 at present, though is tight at top.

**8. Ladies Captains Report:** Ladies are 4<sup>th</sup> in second division and Ladies Vets are 5<sup>th</sup>. Good turn out of ladies at training too.

**9.Cross Country Captains Report:** Cross country fixtures will be out by the time of the next meeting. Kim not planning on entering a race, but if asked will offer to do the end of season relays. Meeting to decide races is at the Malt Shovel pub, in Worthington, 8.30 on 23<sup>rd</sup> August.

Primary schools league due to start again in Autumn. Organisers are looking for new courses to host events, and volunteers will be needed to Hare and Tortoise.

Aim for the season is to achieve a full Mens' and Ladies teams all season.

## 9.Races in 2010:

Glooston 2010 – Thanks from Dave L for assistance on day and turnout of runners. Overall numbers were a bit disappointing, particularly pre race entries. A profit of £85.73 was made on day. Less

money was spent on mugs, but extra expenses were incurred in other areas eg on course record & St Johns Ambulance. Positive entry was written on Runners World website.

Facilities at The Langtons need to be assessed before decision is made as to whether Glooston is run again. Evening race for The Langtons is an option, if a date could be found in the calendar. Option of doing both was discussed.

- **10.Big Fun Run at Abbey Park:** Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September, 11.00 am Abbey Park, needs volunteers to marshal, if not required for Owls league race. Email will be sent out to club members in due course.
- **11.Social Events:** Two well attended events since Christmas. The curry night was good fun, with 33 attending. Quiz night was a success with 34 people attending and food was of a good standard. Handicap race will be followed by the traditional chips in the Cow and Plough in a couple of weeks time. (Dave L to be on holiday for this event.) Malcolm to act as starter at 7pm. Mark is to work out the handicap system. Rachel to email membership list to Mark. Skittles night will be organised before Christmas.
- **12.Membership news:** There are 58 members on the register at present, 59 with Robert Taylors entry form. Simon Fryer still outstanding with fees for 2010, so a reminder email to be sent by Membership secretary.

Way of paying fees was discussed, eg should vest be included? English Athletics fees due in April.

## 13.AOB:

Dave L & Colin - Kit – 30 hoodies ordered. Everybody (apart from a couple of people) who ordered one now has it and there are 6 spare. Lots of woolly hats are available, ready for colder weather. Long sleeve technical running shirt has been ordered, for Winter league races and Cross Country races. Enquiries have also been made about long running pants, with printed legs, price of £15. Members to be consulted on whether there is a demand for these. (Minimum order will be required of 4 of each size.)

Keith - Round Leicester Relay – scheduled for last Sunday in September. Clare tasked with organising a Ladies team.

Kim - Nick Smith from Birstall asked if Roadhoggs could marshal the usual section of the Leicester marathon on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2010, 6 to 8 marshalling points. Kim to send an email round requesting help.

Dave L – training night 18<sup>th</sup> needs a venue, organised before Dave goes on holiday, so details can be posted on website. Watermead Park in Birstall decided as venue. Website will not be updated during Dave's holiday period. New website to be up and running by the end of September to improve its function.

Dave S – Different venue required for AGM. Malcolm is to investigate the Regents Road old Gas board club. Other suggestions welcomed, to be discussed at the next meeting.

If a league race is to be submitted, The Langtons need looking at before Octobers meeting. Dave S, Colin and Mark to arrange a visit.

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2010.