

ROADHOGGS LEICESTER A.C.

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD AT HEATHCOTE ARMS ON 22ND
NOVEMBER 2008**

- 1. PRESENT:** D Swan, C Smith, D Lodwick, M Chamberlain, K Dakin,, K Richardson, A Lodwick, S Smith, B Waterfield, R Moyes.
- 2. APOLOGIES :** R Atton, S Martin, B Barratt
- 3. MINUTES :** Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.
- 4. ARISING :** Kit – Ladies vests ordered in the Summer never arrived, so Colin has now emailed Fasttrak and ordered Ladies vests, six each in most popular sizes and additional kit.
Summer Training – No response from members to request for favourite runs. Dave S suggested members to be asked at AGM and if no view, runs to decided between committee. General decision is to stick to alternating runs between Manor Road and pub runs, but to keep pub runs closer to City.
Membership details – database is up to date, though English Athletics still needs updating. Dave L requested an up to date copy.
- 5. CHAIRMAN :** Dave S reported the club was now putting on 3 races next year (2009), Winter League race, Cross Country and Glooston, so lots of members support will be needed.
Membership numbers are steadily increasing. Thanks were given to Keith for his efforts with the social events and to Dave L for the Newsletter.
- 6. TREASURER :** Colin reported little happening at present.
Current bank balance stands at £2058.77
£50 paid for showers at Manor Road.
There is an outstanding kit order of around £200 (Mainly ladies vests and a few mens vests)
Balance is generally healthy partly due to a number of new members joining until 2009. There is also the prospect of making some money on the Winter league race.
- 7. ROAD RUNNING :** Mark reported a quiet time in the Road running calendar, but said it would be nice to get a more consistent turnout on training nights.
- 8. CROSS COUNTRY :** Kim reported an excellent start to the season. First race at Market Bosworth on 16th Nov had biggest turnout ever of 15, though only 2 ladies. Second league race at Sinai Park had 9. Mike Munday turned up to Bosworth and finished 6th, and is due to help at Western Park. Next

event is at Bagworth Heath on 21st Dec, a pleasant but muddy course and then the Huncote Hash between Christmas and New Year. Dave S asked about success of separate start times (10 min gap) and Kim reported it had worked ok, though wouldn't happen at Bagworth due to double lap. The experiment would be reviewed next year. No team had been entered for Farmyard frolic.

9. RACES IN 2009 :

Winter League – due to only 4 races being put forward, Roadhoggs volunteered to put on the Kibworth race, usually run by Oadby Owls and Kibworth and Fleckney running clubs. Scheduled for 22nd February at Kibworth High School,

Colin has:- i) booked the Sports hall and car parking facilities at the school, ii) written to the Police and received a standard reply, iii) written to Council and received response that nothing going on that they know about, iv) collated all information to send the race permit application off except medical details which the league supply and v) had 'certificate of course accuracy' updated.

Things left to do:- i) finish race permit application form, ii) contact the Womens Institute re refreshments, iii) contact Health centre in village re use of car parking. Colin to action.

Other info – i) Cost of hall hire - £227 inc clearing up costs, the only cost except race permit, ii) Marshalling points info supplied by Owls, 11 people required plus extra at finish for road crossing, iii) 1 water station, Kim to contact Swithland Spring re water supply, logo needs to go on leaflet, iv) stables and riding club on route e mailed and informed of race route and times, v) Fleckney and Kibworth have offered to supply marshals, vi) Cones required for verges outside school, Sid to ask contact vii) Dave Swan to contact Ron re help at race, cones and to look at school.

Cross Country Race – Kim said all was in hand, same course as last year, risk assessment done, not expecting a big field. Kim has forms for St Johns and the race permit to fill in and send off. Date Sunday 8th March, 12 marshalling points, 2 ¼ mile course. Kim to release flyer early in the New Year. Dave Swan has marshals bibs in garage.

Glooston – 20th June. Aiming for 120 people to break even. Dave L has talked to Rob Pullen re vouchers as prizes. Mugs decided on as gifts 120 with date on and then few more as back up with no dates. Same organisation as last time, Colin and Dave L.

10. SOCIAL : Quiz and skittles nights went well, to become annual events, though look at other venues not so far out. Horse and Trumpet, Old Crown at Wigston and Rose and Crown at Thurnby suggested.

Future events – pirates before Christmas.

- 25th Anniversary 2009 – ideas required on how to celebrate
- Presentation evening – Mark has go ahead, sent out info just needs orders by 1st week in January.

Dave Swan requested winners of Road Running athlete and Cross Country athlete of year from Captains, before Christmas for trophies and need to discuss most improved runner.

11. MEMBERSHIP NEWS : Up to 53 members, with 2 more verbally agreeing to join. Dave L has prepared e mail for new members to inform them of the Winter league. Ladies vests required for 1st race.

12. LONDON MARATHON 2009 : - Cant do draw at the moment because don't know for sure who has got in. Jon Heap, John Stew and Rob Milstead are in draw, Rebecca is still deciding and Baz, Tom and Mark are in already.

13. AOB : Date and venue for AGM. Suggested after training on Wed, start run at 6.45 and then meet at Cow and Plough 8.15. Sandwiches suggested.

Colin has received and e mail from ARC with new rules and regs for dealing with under 18's. Doesn't affect us as don't accept uner 18's but would need a formal child protection policy and officer.

Steve planning on a 25th anniversary vest in 2010 season. Steve is to provide a list of kit to show members what is available. Request for kit orders suggested to be in next news letter.

Dave L requested articles for newsletter in next couple of weeks.

Last training date 17th Dec. Training night to be proposed for the Tues between Christmas and New Year at Manor Road.