

Roadhogs Committee Meeting

29 August 2017

1. **Present:** Dan Bannatyne, Amy Barnes, Keith Dakin, Brian Feldman, Alison Lodwick, Dave Lodwick, Tom Martin, Ben Milsom, Kim Richardson, Sid Smith, John Stew, Dave Swan, Barry Waterfield
2. **Apologies:** Terry Woodhouse, Steve Wheeler
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on 30th May 2017:** AGREED
4. **Matters arising from the minutes not appearing elsewhere on the agenda:**
 - a. Amy will follow up with Steve to see whether the donation to Heartwize Runners (from the Kibworth profits) has been made.
 - b. Terry has completed the LiRF course. Shaun and Jeannette are still trying to get on.
 - c. Club handicap – approximately 20 members participated and the winners were Steve P and Hilary. All went well, apart from coinciding with a bike club meet which had taken over the village parking and pub. Thanks to Brian for manning the water station.
 - d. Summer social – a most enjoyable occasion.
5. **Finances:** Not discussed in absence of the Treasurer.
6. **Cross-country**
 - a. Fixture dates for next season's Derby Runner League have been circulated. Car sharing will be essential as 500+ runners are expected for each race and there will be pressure on parking.
 - b. Brian will provide information about the county, regional and national cross-country championships for circulation to the membership. The County Champs will be at Rotherby, the Midlands at Wollaton Hall in Nottingham and the Nationals on Parliament Hill.
 - c. Bradgate Park Management have agreed to allow our DRL race to be staged again, but particular efforts will have to be made by the marshals to ensure that there is no parking in restricted zones. Kim will emphasise to clubs that if there are problems with car parking this year, it is highly unlikely that permission will be granted for the event in future years.
7. **Membership**
 - a. Currently have 75 full members (including four new joiners); 2 second-claimers for cross-country; 6 social and 14 honorary.
8. **Coaching & Athlete Development**
 - a. Still getting small but steady numbers at the Tuesday sessions based at Victoria Park (6/8 per week). Positive feedback from participants and efforts definitely being reflected in improved performances.
 - b. New 10 week beginner programme in October: 6.15 pm, Wednesdays (Manor Road).
9. **Member Achievements**

Ben observed that injuries have been holding back a number of men who would normally be racing strongly. Amy reflected that the Vet Ladies have been consistently running up a storm in the LRRL, finishing as Division 1 champions – the first team championship in the history of the Club. She also made special mention of Jeannette, who is regularly hitting Bronze standard and achieving PBs almost every week in parkrun.
10. **Other Business**

- a. The ticket price for the Presentation Evening will be £19.50 per head. This is an increase on last year (when the Club sustained a small loss on the event) and to take account of food price inflation of 11% over the last twelve months.
- b. Amy requested a mention for Ruth in the next newsletter as she is leaving the area and the Club.
- c. The Club's next parkrun takeover is likely to be in October. Brian asked if a reminder could be sent out to prompt members to volunteer for Leicester Victoria parkrun on a regular basis (2/3 times a year), not just for takeovers. The tasks are increasingly falling on a small, core group of individuals which is not helpful for the long-term viability of the event.
- d. After many years, Kim has decided to take a step back from volunteering on the day in the Primary Schools Cross-Country series, although he will still promote the event and request assistance. This year's events are on 30 September, 28 October and 25 November 2017.

11. Date of the Next Meeting: TBA