

Roadhogs Committee Meeting

30 May 2017

1. **Present:** Keith Dakin, Brian Feldman, Barbara Hermann, Alison Lodwick, Dave Lodwick, Tom Martin, Ben Milsom, Kim Richardson, Sid Smith, John Stew, Dave Swan, Barry Waterfield
2. **Apologies:** Dan Bannantyne, Amy Barnes, Terry Woodhouse, Steve Wheeler
3. **Minutes of the meeting held on 20th March 2017:** AGREED
4. **Matters arising from the minutes not appearing elsewhere on the agenda:** NONE
5. **Finances:** A financial summary prepared by Steve was tabled. The summary showed an excess of income over expenditure, but LiRF course fees are still outstanding. It was expected that the Club will just break even this year.
6. **Membership**
 - a. Currently have 71 full members (including some new joiners); 2 second-claimers for cross-country (Julie Dutton of Charnwood A/C and John Noble of Coritarians); 7 social and 14 honorary.
 - b. Offering the option of a 4 mile run on Wednesdays does seem to be drawing in new members (with at least half-a-dozen members joining after initially running as Improvers on the short route)
7. **Coaching & Athlete Development**
 - a. Still getting small but steady numbers at the Tuesday sessions based at Victoria Park – thanks to Dave Pearce for helping out during Dave L's absence
 - b. Jeannette, Shaun and Terry have or are about to sign up for the LiRF course
 - c. UKA is tightening up rules on coaching – LiRFs will no longer be insured to coach
8. **Member Achievements**
 - a. LRRL team positions:
 - Vet Women A are first in Division 1 by a large margin – thanks to Charlotte, Emma and Jackie who have all done every race (with the exception of Kibworth) and been the top scoring team each time. All are regulars at the Tuesday session and terrific exemplars of how hard work translates into improved performance.
 - Vet Women B: 8/10 Division 1
 - Senior Women A: 3/8 Division 2
 - Senior Women B: 5/19 Division 2
 - Vet Men A: 8/8 Division 2
 - Vet Men B: 7/10 Division 1
 - Senior Men A: 7/8 Division 2
 - Senior Men B: 2/19 Division 2
 - b. Barbara pointed out that several of the ladies had been training for marathons and ultras. Hopefully, when they return to league racing the gap in the middle between the best and the rest will be filled.
 - c. Kim reminded the Committee that, as a small club, we can't compete with clubs fielding 40 or 50 runners in every race – but we really appreciate that everyone is giving 100% when they turn out for us.

- d. The summer league races have not been selling out as quickly as the winter league did, with the caveat that Huncote is likely to sell out within hours as it is a popular race with a small limit.
- e. Ladies' individual honours:
 - Leah made her marathon debut by completing Edinburgh in 4 hours 3 minutes and 3 seconds
 - Jacqui D achieved a big PB in her recent marathon
 - Hilary finished the Paris Marathon in 5 hours
 - Aruna, still only in her first year of competitive running, seems to be collecting half-marathons
- f. Mens' individual honours:
 - Dave L has been achieving Gold Standards on a regular basis
 - James T and Max are getting better and better in each race
 - Marcus is working hard, training almost daily and is getting quicker

9. Other Business

- a. The Club Handicap is being finalised and will be in July running from Ilston-on-the-Hill.
- b. As a postscript to Kibworth, Dave S has heard that the WI made a substantial amount from their cake sale and felt that they had had a successful event.
- c. Kim wished to thank Amy, Trudy and Steve R for delivering another excellent Heartwize training session.
- d. Barbara announced that she is in the process of relocating to Hull so will not be able to attend training or committee meetings, but she will continue to support the club as Ladies Captain remotely for the rest of the year. The rest of the committee expressed disappointment that the Club would be losing her – her contribution, particularly to the Committee, would be missed.
- e. Thanks to all who supported the recent parkrun takeover – it was fantastic that we were able to fill all the volunteering positions. Takeovers help to raise the profile of the club, but we need to make more of the opportunity, for example, by doing more by way of publicity, particularly at the finish. Kim volunteered to organise a Club information desk for the next event.
- f. Dave L is now Chair of the East Midlands Regional Council for England Athletics and is, therefore, also a member of the national council.
- g. This year's presentation evening has been pencilled in for 25 November 2017, with a format unchanged from 2016. Alison volunteered to undertake the administration associated with bookings and receiving monies.
- h. This year's Summer Social will be in August.

10. Date of the Next Meeting: Tuesday, 29 August 2017