

## **Minutes of the Beeston Athletics Club Annual General Meeting, Tuesday 6 November 2018, Victoria Hotel**

**Present:** Simon Elliott (Chair), Chris Bexton, Peter Rowlatt, Andy Hunter, Mark Rowson, Geoff Pennington, Penny Page, Jackie Welburn, Rab Acid, Jane Lewis, Chris Greensmith, Chris Robson, John O'Donnell, Gary Fox, Nigel Adcock, Paul Page, Becky Evans, Robert Evans, George Russell, Clive Morphett, Steve Rooney, Ken Allen, Ken Morrell, Harry Taylor, Neil Byford, Stephen Mason, Charlie Pearce, Teresa Godfrey, Lucy Grant, Juliet Jones, Mike Davey, Chris Bell, Sophie Eadsforth, Catherine Simkins, Tony Rushton, Phil Herd, John Evans, Steve Brown, James Isherwood, Dick Sobey, Mike Blades, Claire Cadogan, Ndiarka Mbodji, Simon Hall, Clint Southern-Warburton, Holly McCain, Simon Barnes, Dave Bish

**Apologies for absence** were received from: Tim Hills, Rob Henderson, David Patrick, Phil Nightingale, David Broadbent, Caroline Challender, Brendan Hanley, Emma Adams, Guy Barwell, Nigel Turner, Peter Holmes, Mandy Holmes, Alec Maclean, Nick Woodrow, Richard Upward, Matt Robson, Dave Evans

**1. Minutes of the AGM held 22 November 2017:** Approved.

### **2. Treasurer's report**

The club now has 182 full members and 8 second claim members, an increase in membership from 2017 when the club had 155 full members and 9 second claim members. A profit of £751.56 was made on the Trent 5, which has enabled the club to fund attendance on courses and social events. The main expenditure was on registration with England Athletics and the various leagues in which the club participates. Over £900 has been spent on vests, and the club has 41 vests worth £615 in stock. The balance in the bank is £2,189.56.

This year the accounts have been independently verified by Steve Mason.

### **4. Road Race Secretary's report and presentation of road league trophies**

The Road Race calendar consists of 16 races throughout the year with a runner's best 9 results counting towards our championship. This year a record 120 runners took part in at least one race on the calendar.

Sophie Eadsforth is the women's champion this year. Lucy Grant finished second and Chris Bexton third.

Rob Evans is the men's champion. Phil Herd finished second and Tom Reader third.

In the Notts AAA Summer League Beeston's vet women's and vet men's teams both finished 4th overall in the county.

Individually Sophie finished 2nd in the V35 category and 5th lady overall. Chris Bexton won the V55 category. Phil Herd finished 6th in the competitive V35 category.

County Championship medals:

Chris Bexton: V55 Gold 10 miles, Silver 5K, Bronze 10K & Half Marathon

Sophie Eadsforth: V45 Bronze Half Marathon

Chris Robson: V65 Gold Half Marathon

Mike Davey: Silver Marathon

Dave Bish: Bronze Marathon

There was a number of overseas races during the year which included groups going to Malta & Amsterdam.

No news yet regarding dates for 2019 but there is a Notts AAA meeting next week when hopefully these will be finalised.

Well done to the many runners that have achieved PBs during the year and I wish everyone an injury free 2019.

## **5. Fell Race Secretary's report and presentation of fell league trophies**

The Fell Race League is not yet completed with the toughest race on the calendar remaining. In total this year 34 male and 19 female members raced, an increase of 2 for the ladies. Only 3 males and 2 females completed 8 of the races; however the number of qualifying races will be kept the same for next year.

The results so far, with 18 races run and the best 8 to count: this year the men's championship is still in dispute between John Evans and myself [post meeting note: Andy Hunter won the men's 2018 championship]. Third place is looking like it could be James Isherwood.

The Ladies Champion is Jackie Welburn, second place to Holly McCain. No other qualifiers.

We did very well in the Nottinghamshire County Fell Championship this year at Chrome Hill (following cancellation of Wolf's Pit due to extreme snow). Eight Beeston runners participated and we all got medals for various categories. Mainly attendance based but not bad in the intense heat. Results are on the Notts AAA website.

Welcome to Greg Hopkinson, who's done extremely well in the races he has attended, 3<sup>rd</sup> at Riber, 1<sup>st</sup> Ricky's Race and 4<sup>th</sup> at Great Longstone.

The first race next year is likely to be Wolf's Pit Fell Race in the Hope Valley, third week in March. Any suggestions for the Calendar are welcome, all information and links are on the Club Website Fell Running page.

## **6. Cross Country Secretary's report**

It's great to see Cross Country increasing in popularity in the club and the 2017/18 season was up there in terms of participation from Beeston AC. We had 63 runners taking place in at least one XC race with many trying it for the first time since school. This was the first year that we've taken part in the National Cross Country relays, where we entered an impressive 5 teams racing with some of the best amateur runners in the country.

The highlight of the season was without doubt the trip to London to take part in the Nationals at the Parliament Hill. 18 of us made the trip to race on the iconic course and to celebrate in London afterwards!

In the Ladies cross country league the Winner was Catherine Simpkins notching up 178 points across 6 races. In second place was Marie Pardon with 171 points and Jackie Welburn in third with 170.

In the men's league the winner was George Russell achieving a maximum of 180 points. In second place was Angus Davison and James Isherwood in third.

A big thank you and well done to everyone who's taken part in Cross Country. The 2018/19 season has started well with a fantastic turnout at Markeaton Park. The Nationals are in February and are being held at Harewood House in Leeds. We'll be organising a trip up there with a potential overnight stay in Leeds. Watch Facebook for details.

## 7. Chair's Report

This has been another good year for the Club. Membership continues to grow and the great majority of the members are active and enthusiastic. There were many participating in spring marathons and the enthusiasm carried on through the year.

Many thanks to various people who have taken charge of running training sessions, in particular Neil Byford who has stepped in to cover for Mike Blades.

Thanks also to the Committee for a productive year where a lot has been achieved, thanks to Chris Bexton for taking over the weekly email, and thanks also to Paul Dennis for putting in a huge amount of work on the Club's website, which has resulted in a very high standard site. In recognition of this the Club would like to give Paul a gift.

I would like to thank Peter Rowlatt for being Treasurer forever, he is now standing down and an able replacement Juliet Jones is coming in.

## 8. Election of Officers

Position	2018 Postholders	Proposed 2019 Postholder	Proposer	Seconder
Chair:	Simon Elliott	Simon Elliott	Rab Acid	John O'Donnell
Treasurer:	Peter Rowlatt	Juliet Jones	Chris Bexton	Mark Rowson
Secretary:	Chris Bexton	Chris Bexton	Mark Rowson	Penny Page
Road League:	Mark Rowson	Mark Rowson	Chris Bexton	Jane Lewis
Fell League:	Andy Hunter	Andy Hunter	Simon Elliott	Jane Lewis
Cross Country League:	Dan Rawson	Dan Rawson	Jackie Welburn	Rab Acid
Ladies Representative:	Jackie Welburn	Jackie Welburn	Dan Rawson	Penny Page
Social Secretary:	Jane Lewis	Jane Lewis	Penny Page	Chris Bexton
Coaching Coordinator:	Mike Blades	Mike Blades	John O'Donnell	Jackie Welburn
Trent 5 Director:	Rab Acid	Rab Acid	Mark Rowson	Chris Bexton
Member representative:	Penny Page	Penny Page	Jane Lewis	Mark Rowson
Member representative:	Geoff Pennington	Geoff Pennington	Penny Page	Dan Rawson

All approved.

**9. Any Proposed Amendments to Constitution:** none received.

## 10. London Marathon draw

First Jackie Welburn, second Shane Fenn and reserve Juliet Harrison.

## 11. Presentation of Athlete of the Year trophy

This was won by Chris Bexton.

## **12. Presentation of Lifelong Membership Awards**

Rab Acid gave a citation for John O'Donnell to be awarded Lifelong Membership of the Club, and Simon Elliott then presented Tony Rushton with a Lifelong Membership Award. The nominations were approved by all members present. The citations will be available on the Club website.

## **13. Annual Pub Crawl**

This will be on Wednesday, 5 December. Meeting point and time with further instructions to follow.