

Bournville Harriers

Committee Meeting Minutes

10th October, 2014

Meeting Chaired by: Oliver Kirkland

Attendance

Name	Role	Attended
Oliver Kirkland [OK]	Club Chair	✓
Sue Ward [SW]	Club Vice Chair	✓
Andy Hoole [AH]	Ordinary Member	✓
Andy Wheeler [AW]	Treasurer	✓
Daniel Trimm [DT]	Club Secretary	✓
Emily Holden [EH]	Membership	✗
John McKeon [JMCK]	Events	✓
Laura Leslie [LL]	Social	✓
Lesley Proctor [LP]	Club Kit	✗
Linda Goulding [LG]	Ordinary Member	✓
Linda Howell [LH]	Ladies Road Relays Team Manager	✗
Paul Gorman [PG]	Communications	✗
Paul Thompson [PT]	Gents Cross-country Team Captain	✓
Steve Atkinson [SA]	Coaching Coordinator	✗
Steve Doswell [SD]	Newcomers Coordinator	✗
Stuart Pearson [SP]	Mens Road Relays Team Manager	✓
Suz West [SW2]	Ladies Cross-country Team Captain	✓

Apologies Received

Steve Doswell
Steve Atkinson
Linda Howell
Emily Holden
Lesley Proctor
Paul Gorman

Agenda

1. Previous Minutes Review
2. Rowheath Sports Council Meeting
3. Christmas Party
4. Pacing Groups
5. Teal Targets
6. Birmingham Athletics Strategy
7. Awards Discussion
8. Scholarship Schemes
9. First Aid
10. Storage
11. Member of the Month
12. AOB

Actions

Action	Owner	Review
Feedback to committee at next meeting of Rowheath Sports Council Meeting	John McKeon	10/NOV/2014

Minutes (Key Points)

1. Previous Minutes Review

- Update on membership – more accurate number of members: 170.
- Another successful Leafy 10k – The committee thanks John for his efforts organising the event, and all the volunteers who helped out.

2. Rowheath Sports Council Meeting

- The club has been invited to the next Rowheath Sports Council, which is at 18:30 on the 15th October.
- Probably worthwhile the club getting involved with the club.
- Concern of past experience of the club being asked to contribute to items of no value to the club.

3. Christmas Party

- Pavillion booked – cost not yet known.
- Entertainment booked – cost: £500
- Potato van booked – cost: circa 80p per potato
- Cup cakes – organised.

4. Pacing Groups

- Had a good response to the website request for pace runners.
- Idea behind the initiative is for new runners to have someone to run with and to ensure that new runners are looked after.
- Would like to put the volunteers into a rota.

5. Teal Targets

- Next event is the Birmingham Half Marathon.

6. Birmingham Athletics Strategy

- No updates

7. Awards Discussions

- Will focus on determining nominees for the awards over the next few meetings.
 - Endeavour
 - Club Achievement
 - Newcomer Award
 - Chairperson's Award
 - Athlete of the Year
 - Merit
 - Coaching

8. Scholarship Schemes

- Aimed at gaining new members that, with a little training, can help the club in (winning more) tournaments, which could help retain elite runners.
- Based on Kenilworth's but modified to include all ages 18 and over, change acceptance criteria, and limit to covering 100% of first year club membership fees only.
- Provide scholarship for up to 3 male and 3 female athletes per annum who can meet (at least) most of the following criteria:
 - Not been a member of another athletics club in the preceding 6 months
 - Males that can run 10K in sub 39 minutes
 - Females that can run 10K in sub 43 minutes
 - Lives within 8 miles of the club's base (Rowheath)
 - Willing to run for the club at 75% of representative Cross Country races (only 4 fixtures per year)
- Concern whether such 10K times would be too lenient
 - Suggested that making them any more stringent would likely not find any runners that are not already/have been members of another club.
- Concerns of how existing members would feel about such scholarships
 - Suggested that the committee have been elected on the understanding that they would do things in the best interests of the club and its members.
- Concerns that this may be an overreaction to elite members leaving the club – all clubs go through 'peaks and troughs'
 - Suggested that it may be best for us to try something proactive.
- Whether we should proceed was put to vote:
 - 10 For
 - 1 Against

9. First Aid

- Next meeting

10. Storage

- John has explored the cost of storage, 35 sq. metres - £95 per month.
- Unfortunately the club is probably not in a position to be able to afford such storage.

11. Member of the Month

- Member of the month chosen

12. AOB

- Couple joining on website now fixed
- **Next meeting 10th November 2014.**