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| Present: Mike Moss (Chairman), Will Kerr, Jen Willingham, Dairine Nethercott, Jeremy Wright, Sarah Bruckshaw, Jack Verity & Rachel Parker. | | |
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|  | **Discussions** | **Actions** |
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| 1 | ***Apologies***  Apologies had been received from Lindsey Pearson. All other committee members were present. |  |
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| 2 | ***Minutes of the last meeting***  The minutes of the meeting held on 13/08/2015 were approved. |  |
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| 3 | ***Follow up of action points from the meeting on 13/08/2015***  All action points carried forward from the last meeting had been actioned other than the following:   * Pete Hopson’s core stability session is now due to be actioned in early 2016. It was agreed that the club would pay for the venue and Pete’s time. * Rachel had received some details of a direct debit scheme to collect membership fees. This would cost us 4% of the membership fees collected. Everyone thought the cost was reasonable. * The new paypal account is in the process of being set up. Mike signed a copy of the last minutes to allow Sarah to take this further. * Dairine had been looking at self-defence classes but still needed to decide on a venue & work out the cost. * Will had spoken to Mark Hetherington about chip timing. The cost of Mark’s system was a fixed fee of £150 plus £1 for each entrant for one race only & £2 for each series entrant. Everyone agreed that this cost was reasonable and we also agreed to increase the entry fee to £10 per race or £25 for the series. * There are now only 5 unlicenced run leaders – Mick Brearley, Ian Jones, Simon Pass, Carol Hey & Helen Pennington. * Six new leaders have been on a LIRF course – Gary Pennington, Teri Rose, Tim Forster, Matt Richardson, Fiona Farquar & Ben Pearson. All would be able to lead runs in the near future. * It was agreed that Craig Barrow would make a good run leader and should be encouraged to attend a course when he is ready. * There had been some emails about the availability of funding to cover course fees and forms had been sent out to the new leaders to complete but nobody was aware of any further progress. * Jeremy had sent an email about the committee posts for re-election. So far there had been no interest from anyone other than the current post holders. All current post holders were happy to be re-elected to their positions. * A discussion took place about the creation of a non-committee role for a younger club member. Dairine was keen for this to happen so that we can ensure that the younger club members are happy with the events we are offering. * The permanent club championship trophy has not yet been ordered. * Nobody knew what progress had been made in getting T-shirts for all run leaders. | Will to discuss further with Pete  Rachel to find more details of this scheme.  Sarah to open.  Dairine to follow up.  John Carr sub-committee to follow up once we have headquarters & a course for 2016.  Jeremy to continue to chase & monitor.  To discuss with Craig.  Sarah to check progress with Lindsey.  Jeremy to resend email once more.  Dairine to canvas opinions of younger club members.  Will to order with 2016 trophies.  Lindsey to update at the next meeting. |
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| 4 | **Financial matters**   * Sarah talked us through the club’s current financial position. We currently have just over £7.2k in the current account & £1.6k in a deposit account. * However we have agreed to donate £3,000 to Charity so this leaves us with surplus funds of around £5.8k. * Ian Jones still owes the club £20, despite having been sent emails by Jeremy & Sarah. It was agreed that this debt needed to be collected. * Sarah stressed the need for everyone to be careful with club money until the future of the John Carr races had been sorted out as without that income in future years we would not be profitable. | If this isn’t repaid earlier Rachel will chase this with his 2016 membership fee. |
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| 5 | **Membership**   * Rachel informed the meeting that currently the club has 200 members (185 at the previous meeting). * If we had this level of membership a couple of weeks earlier we could have had an extra London marathon place but it was probably too late for this. * Membership fees will be:   + £24 until 31/12/2015 (covers membership to 31/12/2016)   + £25 from 01/01/2016 to 31/08/2016 (covers the whole of 2016)   + £25 from 01/09/2016 to 31/12/2016 plus a “voucher” to buy a vest for £10 (covers membership to 31/12/2016). * Ashley Ridsdale (an ex club member) was still running races as a Strider. She had apologised to Rachel & promised not to enter any more races in the Club’s name. * A discussion took place about how long non-members could attend training sessions without joining the club. It was agreed that the maximum length of time should be a month. | Jeremy to contact VLM to see if they can increase our allocation.  Jack to make this clear on the website. |
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| 6 | ***John Carr venue & Summer training venue for 2016***   * Helen Pennington is on holiday & had not provided us with an update on her negotiations with Yorkshire Water about next year’s races. * Again various possibilities were discussed. * It was agreed that this needed to be resolved ASAP and Jack & Will agreed to talk to Helen & help her take this forward. * We agreed the summer training meeting place for 2016 would be the car park near the Woolpack in Esholt village. | Will & Jack to liaise with Helen & report to the next meeting (may be worth involving Richard Stone as well). |
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| 7 | ***Coaching & club training***   * Nobody was aware of any problems with the runs we are offering. * It was agreed that we needed to make sure that there was a helper on the Tuesday medium runs from Nuffield on track nights. * We weren’t totally convinced that all leaders knew that when they were down as helpers they had to run at the back of their group. * Everyone was happy for Lindsey to attend a CIRF course as she has requested and we wondered whether any other leaders would want to join her. | Jeremy to email Chris Jones.  It was agreed to hold a leaders meeting in early 2016.  Jeremy to email Lindsey to confirm this. |
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| 8 | ***2016 Club trip***   * Will had done one survey & the most popular trip was to the Swiss Alps. * However there was a lot of doubt as to whether all the people voting would actually be interested in going on the trip. * Will agreed to conduct another survey which would include the most popular options from the first survey & a few others and would also include estimated costs for each trip. | Will to conduct a 2nd survey. |
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| 9 | ***Social events & cub trips***   * Dairine has organised a number of events for the rest of 2015 & early 2016:   + Beer club 30/10   + AGM 03/12   + Pickles 11/12   + The Junction buffet 17/12   + Club dinner 19/03 |  |
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| 10 | ***Airedale Athletics***   * The general feeling of the meeting was that Airedale Athletics had been a tremendous success over the years but that the member clubs were now strong enough to stand on their own and do well in the three big local relays. * We weren’t sure that all club members totally understood what the relays were about. | Will to discuss this at the Airedale AGM in December.  It was suggested that this should be explained at the club AGM. |
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| 11 | ***2015 AGM***   * Dairine has booked this for Thursday 3rd December at Caroline Street and had arranged for Helen Love’s daughter to provide the buffet. * The run that night would start at Caroline Street and would be a 20 minute out & back run. * The buffet will be available from 8:00 with the meeting starting at 8:15. * The donation cheques will be presented first by Mike with the club members who have nominated the chosen charities. * Sarah is looking into the prospect of us using big promotional cheques. * We will take some photographs & send these to the Telegraph & Argus. * The allocation of the two club London marathon places was discussed. We agreed that to be eligible members had to have been members in April. The draw would be made on 05/11. Applications had to be in by 31/10 & Jeremy would liaise with Will & Jen to decide which of the applicants would go forward to the club ballot. | Jeremy to liaise with Chris Jones  Jeremy to contact charities & members.  Sarah to liaise with the bank.  Jeremy, Will & Jen to liaise & conduct the ballot. |
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| 12 | ***Any other business***   * Jeremy expressed some concern over the number of members currently being nominated for SOTM. It was agreed that the rules would be changed for 2016. Members would still nominate in the usual way but then Jeremy, Will & Jen would go through the list and come up with a list of up to 5 members who would go forward to the members’ vote. Each member will only have one vote. * Jen proposed that next year’s club championship should only include the named races & not any other race where 10 club members enter. It was proposed to limit the Championship to 20 races for 2016 (it looked like there were going to be around 50 in 2015). It was also proposed to divide the club into divisions of 20 for future years with promotion & relegation. Everyone was happy with the new rules. | Jeremy to email the new rules & criteria for nominations in early 2016 & Jack to amend details on the website.  Jen will explain the new rules in early 2016 and Jack will amend the details on the website. |
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| 15 | ***Date of next meeting***  The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 24th November at The Noble Combe pub. |  |