

Final minutes for Macclesfield Harriers & AC Committee Meeting

Thursday 28 Feb 2019

Chaired by Keith Mulholland

Time: 20:15 Venue: Athletics Club House

Apologies

MG, BM, EB, GB, KE

1. Agreement of previous Meeting's Minutes

Agreed

2. Trinity House on Facebook and website – Mel Power

Trinity House physio practise visit the track on the first Tuesday of each month to provide free diagnostic advice and sports massage to MH club members. Alternatively, club members can arrange to visit Ross at the practice on Cumberland Street for a free diagnostic/advisory consultation. Over the years this has been well used and is a great bonus for club members. Since the end of the GO magazine, club members may no longer be aware of the service and numbers using it have dropped significantly. They also generously provide massage services at many of the club's races.

It will now be advertised more frequently on the web site, the Road Running Facebook sites, the Fell Running FB site and the Track and Field FB site.

The committee will also ask BM to advertise the service in her Track and Field Newsletters.

Hopefully this will refresh the level of awareness of the service.

3. Correspondence (CR)

Update from CR: All dealt with

4. Club Membership (JB)

Club membership is still very healthy and is in excess of 700 members.

5. Finance (MG)

Club finances are very healthy.

6. Communications Update (GB)

Nothing to report

7. Club Development Plan (BM)

Nothing to report

8. Track & Field Maintenance (BL)

Work in progress. BL is meeting with the Chief Executive of ESSA (Everybody group) to firm up the completion of the council-funded maintenance items.

BL is also meeting with the catering manager at Macclesfield Leisure Centre to discuss the provision of catering facilities at track meetings.

9. Track and Field/Sports hall (BM)

- We are hosting a T&F Open Meeting at Macclesfield on Saturday 13th April to celebrate 20th Anniversary of track opening - planning going well
- T&F fixture list has been published. MHAC will participate in 3 leagues in 2019 - Cheshire, Northern and Youth Development league. We have a home fixture for each league - 6th July, 14th July and 20th July. All offers of help will be gratefully received!
- Carol Wain is our new T&F officials organiser
- T&F managers are in place for each age group (thanks Sarah)
- Coaching clinics will take place on 16th and 30th March for U13 age groups upwards (info and online application on club website). We are also looking for volunteers to help with track maintenance on these mornings.

10. Cross Country (RH & DP)

It has been a great season for the cross country runners. Well done to everyone.

Cross Country Season Report

Over 125 runners across all ages took part.

29 of those completed the inter club championships.

The club competed in the North Staffs and Manchester Leagues and had runners at the Cheshire, Northern and National championships.

Multiple medals and team trophies have been won throughout the season:

North Staffs – Team

U13 Girls – 3rd Place

U13 Boys – 1st Place

U17 Men – 1st Place

SNR Men – Division 2- 1st Place

Men V40 – 1st Place

Men V50 – 3rd Place

North Staffs - Individual

U13 – Rebecca Dilworth – 3rd Place

U13 – Philip Goodfellow – 1st Place

U13 – Aadi Whitlock – 2nd Place

U17 – Finley Proffitt – 2nd Place
V40 – Mark Walker – 1st Place
V70 – Barry Blyth – 1st Place

Manchester League – Team

U13 Boys – 3rd Place
Senior Women (DIV 2) – 2nd Place
Veteran Women (DIV 2) 3rd Place

Manchester League – Individual

U13 - Philip Goodfellow – 2nd Place
U13 – Florence Cook – 2nd Place
U13 – Rebecca Dilworth – 3rd Place
U17 – Finley Proffitt – 3rd Place
V35 – Rachel Hall – 1st Place
SNR – Rachel Hall – 3rd Place
V50 – James Noakes – 3rd Place

Cheshire Championships – Team

U13B – 1st Place
U13G – 3rd Place
U15B – 2nd Place
U17B – 2nd Place
SNRW – 2nd Place

Cheshire Championships – Individual

U13 – Florence Cook – 3rd Place
U13 – Philip Goodfellow – 1st Place
U13 – Aadi Whitlock – 3rd Place
V65 – Anne-Marie – 1st Place
V70 – Barry Blyth – 1st Place

11. Road Running/Road Handicap (RO'K)

There has been a good turnout of MH runners for events this year. The website has been updated with this year's forthcoming races. Many of them have been sold out already.

The Cheshire Road Grand Prix will not be taking place this year.

A few club members have requested that they be trained as run leaders; the committee have approved all of them.

12. Fell Running (EB)

We are currently 2 races into the champs, with good representation from the club at both races. The third race will be Wolfs Pit on the 17th March.

The safety on the hills session was well received and we will be running it again later in the year.

Phil Cheek and Neil Gunn are running another navigation course. Date and venue to be decided.

There are hill rep sessions organised by Steve Lomas. The first session is scheduled for the 12th April in Lyme Park

Full details will be published on the website and social media prior to the event.

13. Statistics (KE)

No issues to report. KE will be updating the club notice board with new records in the next week or so. If you have a new club record please let KE know

- clubstatistician@macclesfield-harriers.co.uk

14. Publicity (GL)

Publicity in the club's monthly column in the Macclesfield Express will move towards looking at what the club does as a whole rather than mid and end season results reports. Specific league results/promotions/individual and team successes can still be submitted to the sports news desk 'as and when', but section managers will need to notify Gillian of any results they wish to publicise, using publicity@macclesfieldharriers.co.uk.

Next month's article will remind readers that the club caters for runners of all ages and abilities so whether you are a Park Runner or an ultra-distance runner there is some part of the club which will be right for you.

April's publicity will focus on the running track's 20th anniversary.

15. AGM and presentation evening

The AGM and presentation evening will be at Macclesfield Rugby Club on Friday 22 March starting at 7pm. PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF VENUE.

16. Any other business

16.1. New Website (KM)

The desire to create a new website for the club is ongoing. There is a need for a manager with IT knowledge to manage the project.

16.2. Contacts on MH Website (KM)

The contacts button on the MH website does not work from any 'tablet' device. Hopefully the new website will resolve the problem.

16.3. Facebook 'send email' button can only support one email address. (CR)

RH is sorting out the problem so that there is a specific link for Junior membership enquiries.

16.4. Navigation Course – Neil/Phil would like approval to put on a day course in the near future

Approved

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 2 May at 8:15 Clubhouse

KM – Keith Mulholland, CR – Christine Ritchie, MG – Mark Godden, GB – Graham Brown, BM – Barbara Murray, BL – Bob Lynch, RO’K – Ray O’Keefe, RH – Rob Hasler, KE – Kim Eastham, GL – Gillian Lindsey, EB- Emma Beveridge