

Final Minutes for Macclesfield Harriers & AC Committee Meeting

Thursday 20 September 2018

Chaired by Keith Mulholland

Time: 20:15 Venue: Athletics Club House

**Apologies**

NT, GB, RH

**1. Agreement of previous Meeting's Minutes**

Agreed

**2. Correspondence (CR)**

Dealt with

**3. Club Membership (MG)**

Following a series of chasers, there are now fewer unpaid members

**4. Finance (MG)**

Finance is in a good position with all track fees covered. There is a healthy surplus.

**5. Communications Update (GB)**

Ewen Edmundson is to lead on the redevelopment of the club website.

**6. Club Development Plan (BM)**

There are two more Track and Field Level 1 Officials courses coming up in the North West (Nov 2018 and March 2019). BM has advertised these to existing volunteers.

**7. Track & Field Maintenance (BL)**

No progress has been made. BL is to provide a maintenance list to Stuart Smith and chase him over the long jump refurbishment. BM is to involve the CEO of the Everybody Trust.

**8. Track and Field/Sports hall (BM)**

This has been a great season for Track and Field – the Seniors came top of the Northern League Division 4W. The Juniors and Seniors combined team were Third in the Cheshire League and the Juniors came fourth in the Youth Development League Division West 2.

There will be a celebration and Social evening to recognise the great achievements of our athletes in Track and Field – this will be on 5 October at Macclesfield Rugby Club.

Trophies and certificates will be presented

Sports Hall – we are planning to take part in the Sports Hall competitions this season.

#### **9. Cross Country (RH & DP)**

The leagues for the Manchester area and the North Staffs area have their fixtures up on the MH Website.

Next year the National Cross Country Championships will be a standard 10k for both men and women.

#### **10. Road Running/Road Handicap (RO'K)**

There has been good participation in all local road races.

MH will continue to support the Grand Prix races next year. The number of races in the Club Championships will be slightly reduced next year.

The Summer Handicap race was a great success and RO'K hopes to run it again next year. There are tentative plans in place to resurrect the Boxing Day handicap as two volunteers have stepped forward to organise it.

#### **11. Fell Running (GB)**

Club fell championships: David Brockbank is leading and Alannah Birtwhistle is first lady.

The Windgather, Roaches and Club Handicap races remain.

Club Handicap is Sunday 25 November.

English and British champs: There was a disappointing Harriers turnout across both Championships. Edale Skyline - the local race - was the only race with more than two Harriers. Julie Gardiner entered the most races.

Hodgson Brothers Mountain relays - 7 October, one mixed team is entered.

British fell relays - 20 October, five teams are entered: 2 ladies and 3 men. GB is looking into the possibility of booking a coach for travel to this event

#### **12. Statistics (NT)**

Nothing to report

#### **13. Publicity (GL)**

There continues to be excellent coverage of MH activities in the Macclesfield Express.

This week's ME includes a story of MH success in Track and Field.

In October the ME will cover Fell Running; in November the focus will be on 'Run and Talk'; and December the focus will be on Cross Country.

#### **14. Macclesfield Half Marathon (Mandy Calvert)**

At close of online entries for the three races on Sunday:

5k and Fun Run – All places filled

Half Marathon – Entries are slightly down on last year

#### **15. Any other business**

##### **15.1. Teggs Nose Fell Race (KM)**

Neil Petty has volunteered to organise this race next year

##### **15.2. New Website (KM)**

See Above (Communications)

##### **15.3. Contacts on MH Website (KM)**

Contact details for club officials are not currently being displayed on the MH website for security reasons, alternative options for contacts on the website are being investigated and should be displayed again soon. An updated list of club officials and their contact details will be displayed in the club house soon (action CR)

##### **15.4. Christmas Ceilidh (KM)**

Emma Beveridge is organising this event for the whole of the club on 14 December. There will be a live band at this event to be held in Sutton.

##### **15.5. Guide Runners**

There was a discussion about whether the club should have Guide Runners – CR is to investigate and report back.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Thursday 29 November at 8:15pm at the Club House**

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, NT – Nicky Tasker, GL – Gillian Lindsey, AG – Alison Gunn, DP – Daisy Pickles