

Final Minutes from Macclesfield Harriers Committee Meeting
Macclesfield Leisure Centre
Thursday 10th February 2022 8pm

Apologies KE SS

1, Agreement of previous meetings minutes - from November 2021

-agreed

2, Correspondence -LG - Club Standards checklist form EA.
Subsequent to the meeting These have been reviewed by BM and BL
and where necessary changes to our policies and guidelines have
been addressed. The forms have been submitted to EA.

Additionally BL has completed and submitted the annual booking form
for track hire training to ESAR.

3, Finance - MG - Mark has done the draft annual report for 2021 which shows a very slight
loss due to the requirement to pay off a couple of bills from 2020 ie: completion of the
website upgrade and the purchase of first aid kits for leaders.

Total Membership is slightly up with senior membership up and junior membership down.

People have started renewing their membership for next season.

We have applied for a grant for extra starting blocks

4, Road - RO'K - There are 13 races in the Road club champs. Two races have taken
place already - 4 Villages half marathon and Alsager 5, over 20 people competed in
both races. Dunham Massey 5k series is likely to be added.

The next event is the Wilmslow half marathon and 10k, we are also providing
Marshalls for this event as well as the Alderley bypass 10k.

Unsure if Macclesfield 10k/half marathon will go ahead, depending on organizers.

5, Cross Country - RH - 100 runners have taken part in the Cross Country races.
There are 2 races left - Mcr league and Nationals.

Some of the junior age group teams have entered a full squad in the races although

some juniors have dropped off and there has not been a full team.

Runners have entered and paid for themselves for the races which has worked well - less hassle for the team managers and it hasn't affected numbers competing. It only costs £7 for the Mcr season so is very good value.

6, Track and Field - BM - Preparation for the 2022 season is well underway.

We are hosting 4 events in addition to assisting with the Cheshire T & F Championships. The full calendar of events is on the T&F section of the website.

The next things on our calendar are 2 pre-season coaching clinics on Sat 26th March and Sat 2nd April to which athletes on our waiting list will be invited. We currently have nearly 100 on the U13 waiting list although all U15s have been offered places.

We are holding an open meeting on 23rd April at the track which is for all age groups covering a range of activities.

The indoor track and field report for 2021 is on the website. We have 2 athletes competing at the EA Age group Indoor championships at the weekend.

As always we need lots of volunteers and officials to help at these events. Your help is much appreciated. Please contact Barbara Murray if you can help in any way.

7, Fell - TW - Lots of people are still running with the fell group about 20 new people have joined fell in the last few months. There were about 30 people out Wed evening 9th Feb even though the weather was bad!

There are 3 race series with 8 races each. Peaks trail, High fell and Summer series

Lots of athletes are entering races with 38 Macclesfield Harriers booked for Cumbria which accounts for more than 10% of the field.

There are a couple of new races in the Summer series although there is no Forest 5 race. Terrys High 5 race has been moved to the end of July from February. Following a request from the sheep dog trials organisers we have informed them because of other commitments on the day we will not be able to organise the fell race.

There are to be an extra couple of modules added on to the LIRF course covering fell, hill, trail and mountain terrain. A couple of leaders are hoping to book on the mountain module course soon. This module is being piloted February and March 2022 and will

be available for general booking shortly after.

8, Statistics - KE- All records updated.

9, Club colours - SS1 - The club has a good stock of kit.

10, AOB - BL - Bob has posted a Spring update of club activities on the website.

Following meetings with ESAR hire charges for training and competitions have been agreed. Competition charges work out about the same as negotiated 2 years ago. Training charges remain the same and include floodlights, a member of ESAR in attendance for opening up/closing and use of the clubhouse.

The track is due to be brushed, washed and flushed at the end of February.

The throws cage doesn't meet the guidelines. In the Interim we have put in place a revised risk assessment that reduces the risk when hammer is taking place and ESAR have applied to EA for a grant to do the work.

Neil Gunn has researched (and produced a summary of questions and responses) Registration and Payment system service providers for Internal Club events and Socials to prevent organisers potentially being out of pocket due to no shows. We will trial a couple of the online booking systems based on the type of event.

For the special awards at the presentation evening I have asked the section heads (BM, RH, TW and RO'K) to collate the nominations on the 1st March and make the necessary decisions so that vouchers etc can be obtained.

We are looking to recruit new Committee members as we have a couple of positions vacant and some Committee members looking to step down. These positions are:

Chair

Publicity officer

2nd Welfare officer

Track and Field manager - from 2023 season

Mens and junior Cross country manager - from the end of this season

Secretary - in talks with replacement

If anyone is interested in any of the above roles please contact us. All current committee members' details are on our website or you can contact them in person for more

information. Some of the roles can be broken down into sections and shared between people. Your help is greatly appreciated and needed to run the club successfully.

Date of next meeting : Friday 1st April 2022 AGM and Presentation evening, Macclesfield Rugby Club

BL - Bob Lynch, MG - Mark Godden, BM - Barbara Murray, RO'K- Ray O'Keefe, TW - Tom Whittington, LG - Lynne Graves