

# MINUTES



## Hyde Village Striders Running Club Annual General Meeting

**Wednesday 23 March 2016**

**Astley Sports College**

Attendees: Pamela Brereton, Collette Williams, Amanda Booth, Danny McDermott, Callum Parkinson, Adge Barker, Jacqueline Crowther, Sharon Toolin, Shelley Pascoe, Elizabeth Mason, Heather Mosley, Sandie Rowland, Paul Reilly, Steve Bullows, Caroline Sorriento, John Sorriento, Chris Jones, David Pickup, Jill Clark, Jo Egerton, Rachael Horrocks, Chris Sagar, Alan Gibbon, Paul Best, Mike Mason, Sally Gubbins, Mike Gubbins, Dominic Sexton

Apologies: Angela Holland, Nicola Burton, Matthew Roland, Jo Winterbottom

1. Minutes of 25 April 2015 – Dominic took the group through the minutes of the previous meeting and highlighted the changes that have been made to the Stride Out programme regarding the integration of new members, sweatshop no longer stocking our vests and the fact that membership fees remained the same.

The minutes were proposed by Chris S and seconded by Jo E

Matters arising from the minutes to be discussed during the appropriate agenda items.

2. Chairman's Report – Dominic noted that the club has continued to grow and it has been good to get faces out there at races. The club events have been successful but we did struggle to get volunteers for Millbrook. The club has settled in well to its new home and Astley have been extremely supportive especially of the Santa Run. The club performed strongly in the ladies cross country and it would be good to get more people involved in future as it does help to improve running. T-shirts have arrived and been popular so now running low in some sizes.
3. Treasurer's Report – Mike G shared copies of the accounts and noted that it has been the busiest year for a while in terms of money going in and out of the accounts. He highlighted the money that is generated from the races and the fact that we donate half of the profits to charity which means £643 for Willow Wood. This allows the club to subsidise the ball. Our biggest cost is £1500 to England Athletics followed by the club kit order. The finances are in the same position as the previous year but we are now holding stock.

4. Election of Officers – all current officers resigned and the group voted in the new committee as follows:

Position	Name	Proposed	Seconded
Chairman	Dominic	Alan	Jo
Secretary	Sally	Dominic	Mike G
Treasurer	Mike G	Dominic	Sally
Memberships	Alan	Liz	Caroline
Head Coach*	Mike M	Mike G	Sally
Social Secretary	Liz	Jo	Sally
Welfare Officer	Angela	Sally	Caroline

\*only level 2 coaches can put themselves forward for the job of Head Coach.

In addition the following put themselves forward as general committee members: Shelley, Callum, Rachael, Adge, Caroline, Pam, Collette, Steve, Chris J

Auditors are Caroline, Jill and Pam

5. Matters of importance to members – various issues were raised as follows:
- Dominic raised events and the need to get a team together for pre-organisation of races. Stride through the Woods is 27 April
  - Dominic has been looking into first aid courses and has found one at a cost of £90 per person. The idea was discussed and all agreed it was a good idea in principle
  - Regarding coaching – Dominic has done a fell running and fitness course and just needs to be signed off. Paul and Pam are to be put through the leadership in running fitness course.
  - An incident happened recently where an elderly lady was knocked over by a group of runners. The runners had helped the lady but nobody had reported the incident to the club or a coach so it was a surprise to hear from the lady
  - A volunteer is needed who can highlight local races that members can get involved in. Chris Sagar volunteered for this position
  - Everyone to be aware that the Stride Out group only has three weeks left to run so they will need to be slotted into groups.
  - A flag was requested for races etc and we will look into this
  - Alan raised memberships. UKA have introduced BACS payments and it would add about 58p onto the fee but make the collection of membership payments a lot easier. Agreed that this was a good idea. The committee also agreed to increase memberships to £20 to cover the increase in UKA fees. We also agreed that everyone would pay electronically except in exceptional circumstances.
  - Shelley suggested a club mascot to make it easier for runners to spot supporters at races. Callum suggested hand held flags or cow bells.
  - Steve B thanked everyone for their support of Mummy's Star
  - Callum raised the issue of women having been attacked in parks and the need for everyone to look after each other. We need to put more effort into this as group leaders.
  - Manchester Marathon marshalling – Vicky and Chris have been to the first meeting but don't know which zone we will be based in. A meeting will be held for volunteers over the next couple of weeks to give more information.
  - A coaches meeting to be held about speed sessions. Adge happy to be involved

- Sally shared the information about Vitality Healthcare with the group

Coaches meeting to be held re integration of the new Stride Out graduates and a further meeting prior to the next Stride Out course being announced.