

Hyde Village Striders Running Club

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Held on Monday 2nd April 2012

Village Hotel Hyde

Members Present: Chris Jones, Jackie Jones, Stephanie Jones, Sharon Molloy, Hettie Miles, Sam Millns, Scott Matthews, Jason Chapman, Dominic Sexton, Claire Pitcher, Sally Gubbins, Elizabeth Mason, Mike Mason, Mike Gubbins, Vics Armitage, Sue Armitage, Susie Royal, Jill Clark, Carol Rhymes, Caroline Sorriento

Apologies: Kelly Percival, Bob Wynn, Sarah Anastasiou, Stacey Holt, Janet Bunyan, Dave Bunyan

Meeting Opened 19.35pm

1. Dominic opened the meeting by reading the minutes of the last AGM. Proposed by Liz seconded by Mike M.
2. Matters arising from the minutes were as follows:
 - Sport Relief Mile event was not held – Liz was not approached to do any events for the Village
 - Claire P has received her coaching badge
 - A Code of Conduct has been drafted
 - Dominic has amended the constitution in line with the requirements of Triathlon England and to bring it in line with the latest requirements. This has been approved
 - Membership collection is always an issue although the general feeling is that it has been better. The issue is not with regular members but those who attend infrequently. Group leaders need to be made aware of who has not paid. A possible solution would be to issue a card with the person's number on.
 - Liz brought the issue of giving Pete an honorary membership to the group again. There was a debate over whether it would be appropriate as some members have had difficult dealings with him when he left but acknowledged that the club wouldn't exist without him. A vote was held (Yes – 5, No – 2, abstentions – 10).
3. **Chairman's Report.** Dominic gave his report on the previous year and noted that the club now has 81 paid up members. The Stride Out course

ran twice successfully and the current course is going really well. Stride Through the Woods was once again a success and the club donated £200 to Willow Wood. Significant achievements for club members included running marathons (London, Liverpool & Berlin) and more members took part in triathlons and duathlons than ever before.

4. **Treasurer's Report.** Mike took the group through the accounts and explained that even after setting up the website, putting coaches through courses, subsidising the purchase of vests and other items of expenditure the club broke even. Jason asked where the vests are from and Mike said Ronhill but we do sell them at a slight loss to the club. Agreed to look at stocking them in Sweatshop.

5. **Committee Positions.** The committee as voted in:

Position	Nominee	Proposed	Seconded
Honorary President	Gill Buckley	n/a	n/a
Chair	Dominic	Jackie	Sharon
Treasurer	Mike G	Dominic	Mike M
Membership secretary	Sharon M	Jackie	Dominic
Secretary	Sally	Jackie	Dominic
Head Coach	Mike M	Dominic	Mike G
Social Secretary	Liz	Jackie	Sharon
Welfare Officer (NEW)	Jackie	Dominic	Steph
General members	Steph Caroline Jill Sam Scott Susie	Jackie Mike Sally Sharon Mike Caroline	Sharon Liz Caroline Jackie Sally Sally

Auditors – Caroline & Sharon

More general committee positions have been filled than in previous years but the club has grown and there are more groups going out so the additional members allows for the views of each group to be represented. We also added a welfare officer for the first time.

6. Matters of importance to members. Sharon mentioned the location of the warm up which has always been a problem and will become even more of an issue when Starbucks takes over the TV lounge. Dominic / Liz to meet Gill and see if there is a solution

Sharon will issue membership cards to try and solve the problem of not knowing who has paid in groups and so people know their number. Jason has a laminator and would be happy to help if needed.

Dominic highlighted the fact that the race is open to entries and 7 have been received online. The club needs to get maximum publicity and attract as many entries as possible so all to take posters to work / clubs etc. Sally to email out for volunteers.

Carole raised the issue of the groups doing longer distances now as people in them are training for specific events and she doesn't want to do them and feels like she is holding the group up. Dominic responded that we don't want people feeling left out but there are many groups going out so she should not feel like she can't go with another group. Mike M & Hettie suggested that Carole could form a new group of people wanting to do shorter distances as not everyone wants to do long runs. Jason suggested getting the group training up and running again to get interaction between the groups. The group leader does not need to be a coach; the group discussed approaching long standing group members to see if they would be able to lead an alternative route if needed. Committee members would look at options at the next meeting.

Fees – Jason thinks that UK Athletics may be increasing their fees. Sally to investigate.

Date of next meeting – 14th May to discuss coaching