

Middleton Harriers Minutes of the Committee Meeting Tuesday 9th January 2018 Held at Crowshaw Drive Rochdale

Present;

Peter Gilligan (Chairman) Elaine Blades-Jordan (Club Secretary) Ge Kirk (Membership sec), Craig Sutherland, Chris Brooks, Steve Bassam, Stephen Granville, Bryan O'Neill. Ruth Hare, Emma Ball

Apologies; Bryan O'Neill, Jordan Burke (no apologies from Ryan)

Minutes; the Minutes of the last meeting held in November were approved.

Actions: no actions from last meeting

Matters Arising: (any pressing topics that need addressing) AGM date/Relays

- The AGM date to be 13th February, 7:30pm at arena
- Relays – to discuss Welsh castles in events section
- Chris Brooks has decided to stand down off the committee this year.

Chairman's Report

The Club is in good order, the year ending with the annual Boxing Day outing. The weather was very poor with rain sleet and snow but this did not put off members who enjoyed the outing. Ann Lowe won the London Marathon place and we wish her good luck in the race. I wish to thank all the Committee members for their time through out the year and to thank Christine who is retiring from the Committee. I continue to look forward to working with committee members in 2018.

Secretary Report:

Happy New Year there has been many a festive occasion over the last few months Christmas parties, Boxing Day run, New Years Eve Run. There was a good attendance from members. Club Members all seem happy at the moment. Into the New Year we continue with XC, Club relays and the new club championships road & fell. I have taken on board the suggestion to add the Oldham 1/2 to the championships this has been added.

Treasures Report;

Steve B. Gave out copies of the current balance sheet, which shows the Club in the black.

Membership Sec.:

No feedback from Ge as she is awaiting & taking in club membership at the moment. She will feedback in March once everything is settled down and most members should have paid by then.

Events Sec. Report;

Emma feedback that the road championship 2018 would commence in March- the first race being Wigan 1/2 marathon.

- Welsh castles: SB informed us no dates been given yet. They have changed the criteria to 9-minute mile teams (or under). CB is unsure if KHM will organise it this year. **Action:** It was decided that SB would look out for the date as he also gets the opening email along with KHM. CS will then see if we have 20 + runners interested before we enter this race.
- CS will also see if we can get two teams for Calderdale relay one mixed and one open. **Action:** Email to be sent out
- Other relays: Looks like Sutton Park is now in April – **Action:** CS to look into this.

Training;

Training is still well supported on Monday and Wednesday.

Fell/XC Races;

Cross Country Report Nov 2018

We are now halfway through the season and there is still all to play for in the club championship. Jo Adamson leads the ladies overall from Cathie Murphy in second, Janine Jordan in 3rd and Ruth Hare in 4th. Theses 4 have completed their 4 qualifying races.

In the MACC league the ladies have been performing extremely well and the Senior and veteran ladies teams are currently in 2nd place in their respective divisions. Whilst In the SELCC League after 2 events the ladies came 7 & 11 (+18), 6 & 9 (+35), 9 (+40), 7th (+45), 4 (+50). We didn't have complete teams in the 1st event due to marshalling commitments.

In the men's Championship Keith Knott leads from, Jorden Burke, Stephen Lowe, Alan Garvey and Steve Lewis in that order. All these runners have completed their qualifying races. In the MACC League the Senior men are 6th in their division, and the vet men 8th.

A total of 16 ladies have competed in 1 race or more and a total of 18 men have competed in 1 race or more. There have been some outstanding individual finishes for our runners in both leagues and the ladies in particular are putting in some excellent individual and team performances.

At the Greater Manchester AA XC Championship we had 2 ladies teams and 2 men competing and had good results although the final results have yet to be publicised.

Race Updates;

Hopwood Trot : EBJ Feedback that we have applied for council permission for this race and it has been approved. We have a good idea of the route – 2-lap course 5.5 multi terrain course. We are now awaiting Hopwood College to confirm the date and fee for using the sports pavilion, after which we will be able to advertise it. We may need to liaise with a farmer and also friends of Hopwood. **Actions** Ge to contact Paul Driver a date & price. Elaine to find Friends of Hopwood email. Craig to look at bookitzone & flyer.

Eddies Revenge:

Craig is very organised and has asked for a volunteers re working group re organisation of this so far Ruth, Peter, Stephen Granville, Steve Bassam, Ge kirk from the committee are going to attend these. 1st meeting is Wednesday 21st Feb.

Club E-Mail and Web scanner;

The social media part of the club is going very well - EBJ said she has been getting plenty emails from new members and could we ensure they have access to the club membership forms at the arena. **Action** : CS – to email SB & EBJ a copy.

Club Kit

Old club kit has now been condemned. EBJ asked if there was a new order coming – SG unsure and would need to liaise with Cathy Murphy. Cathy keeps tally of the kit and liaises with SB.

Illness:

PG – informed us that JC was under going further treatment after his operation.
CS- informed us RR had been run over by a car – fortunately he had minor injuries
MH – still awaiting Hip operation.

Club 50:

Club 50 draw will be announced at Presentation night – as it's the final big draw.

Socials:

Presentation night is at David Lloyds 27th Jan – tickets on sale

Action: CB – to liaise with Cricket club Re XC presentation night – April

Correspondence:

Mail from EA – re club free training sessions **Action:** SB to apply.

A.O.B;

* **XC Marshalling:** Discussion around how we solve marshalling problems at the SEL cross-country – preventing runners from running, same Marshalls all time. We marshal a lot of other events finding marshals are getting difficult. . **Action: PG to highlight at SEL AGM.**

* **Bufs – Action:** EB – to chase up with Anthony.

* Ge needs suggestions Club Lady/Club Male.

* **Action:** Chris Brooks – to find out costs of cake at Costco for club presentation night & decided who is bringing them on night.

* **Action:** SG – to send email to members re AGM, Committee member interest, Cub 50.

Meeting Closed 9pm: The date of the next meeting Tuesday 6th March – at Crowshaw Drive. 7.30pm

