

Middleton Harriers Minutes of the Committee Meeting

Tuesday 14th May 2013

Held At: Crawshaw Drive, Rochdale.

Present: Roy Lee (Chairman), Peter Gilligan (Secretary), Derek Bury, Elaine Blades-Jordan, Chris Brooks, Michael Flatley, Ruth Hare Christine Comerford. Dave Ball (Treasurer) and Gee kirk (Membership secretary).

Apologies: Joanne Sullivan and Derek Bury.

Minutes:

The minutes of the last meeting held on the 12th of March 2013 were accepted and correct.

Chairman's Report:

Thanked Gee for hosting the meeting. He went on to say that there was still little to report at the moment since the last meeting.

Secretary's Report:

The secretary's highlighted that since the last meeting there has been a lot of activity within the club. There have been the Salford 10k, Bolton 10K and two Littleborough 5K's. All the races saw a good number of club members running and good times were recorded. Both the London and Manchester Marathons have been run and again excellent times were recorded by those members who ran in the races. We are now members of the ARC and Gee has been given a list of club members who we consider should be recorded with English Athletics. On Friday the 26th of April we had the cross country quiz and presentation at the Boarshaw Working Men's club. This turned out to be a successful evening despite the microphone not working. The visit to the hut in Llanberis followed over the weekend (27th of April) and again a very enjoyable weekend. Training recommenced in Heaton Park on the 8th of April and reports are that a good number of members attend and enjoy the various training circuits. Sue Bishop held her annual money-raising event for the Welsh Castles on Sunday 12th May and a good amount was raised to support the event. The next event is the Calderdale Relays which are to be run this coming Sunday – 19th May.

This concludes this report.

Correspondence:

Just correspondence from English Association (ARC)

Treasures Report:

Dave Ball the treasurer presented copies of his balance sheets to date. He has highlighted that we have ample club funds and discussions came about that we could do with ideas on how to spend some of the club funds

appropriately. i.e. in ways that could benefit the club, for example one committee member suggested paying towards relays, welsh castles. We would benefit from discussing ideas around club fund expenditure.

Membership Secretary Report:

It was reported by the membership secretary that we now have :

- 61 males
- 44 ladies

Both Clive Dunn & George Williams Hamlyn have resigned.

MF: To follow up Dave Williams resignation and club fees.

Events Secretary Report:

Since the last meeting we have had Salford 10K, 2 x Littleborough 5K's and Bolton 10K. MF reported that we also had a team entered into the Terry Norton relay, a new race based at Radcliffe, unfortunately we only had one team available to run, but we did extremely well and came second place out of 37 clubs. The atmosphere was great and we should try to enter more teams next year, as this will be a yearly event. EBJ highlighted that the next race will be The Rochdale 10k on the 2nd of July. The Calerdale relay is next Sunday. We also discussed reports and photographs from road race events, EBJ is happy to do some of these, but highlighted it would be good on the night if others could also contribute to this.

EBJ raised concerns that the Saddleworth 6 ha not been advertised yet, is this usual, MF to contact one of organizers to check this.

We also discussed asking the arena if we could have a wall board or a cabinet or even a stand board too highlight, events, emails and information, as not everyone always reads them on the emails, it may be helpful especially when we are looking for teams for relays, annual general meeting date, as we could display this information on the boards. It was highlighted that we may have asked about this before. To enquire again about this.

Training

Even though training seems well supported. We did discuss that more people may turn up if we had a structured sprint training session. This has been mentioned by team members. EBJ to send email out to harriers regarding looking for a qualified coach and then to enquire further a field if need be.

Moonraker

This is in progress, however no one here to report on this today.

Fell races

The last event was the Cake race held at Kiln Green, 2 Middleton ladies and four Middleton males, completed this. This event was very well supported, with lots of lovely cakes. The next fell race is on the 28th of May at Saddleworth, Tanners Mill. Eddies Revenge run by Middleton Harriers will commence as usual on June 26th.

Club E Mail and Web Scanner

The emails are still working well supplying information to members and the web pages are being kept up to date as much as possible. We have discussed earlier road race reports and will try to inspire runners to take turns in writing small reports for the web.

EBJ to add two runners to the Salford 10K results as they have been missed off.

Club Kit

RH, highlighted that Club Kit is selling Well. New track suit bottoms to arrive. CB raised information about a running t shirt, that were from a personal trainer, but could also advertise the club. She was advised to get some samples first before a decision could be made around this. They would only cost around 10pounds.

Socials

RL discussed having his annual Friday night garden party for the Harriers on Friday 19th of July and his annual garden party for the public which raises money towards the hospice on Sunday the 28th of July, he has also booked the sunshine for these days.

A.O.B.

No other business to report

Therefore this meeting is closed

The date of the next meeting will be on the 9th of July at 7;30pm