

Pensby Runners Committee Meeting 1st March 2107

Present

Jayne Price (JP), Chris Marsland (CM), Gordon Scholefield (GS), Andy Morley (AM), Roy Fisher (RF), Nigel Crompton (NC), David Green (DG) (part)

Apologies were received from

Andy Sumner, John Keyworth

Approval of minutes

The minutes of 1st February 2017 were approved

Matters arising

The survey produces circa 90 responses

Action : NC to provide analysis for next meeting

The club vest - supply issues with Ron Hill persist. There is no delivery date available.

Action : NC to push for delivery.

Inclusivity

In response to some comments from members the Committee reviewed the structure of club nights. The committee believe that changes introduced after last year's AGM had improved access to suitable groups for members however we are always open to volunteers who would like to lead additional further groups

Coaching

Members had raised the issue of benchmarks to measure their progress

The committee felt there were plenty of opportunities for members to benchmark their performance:-

- Track session dates to be published to the membership
- Seaside runs can be used as a simple performance benchmark for those wishing to measure their progress.
- Handicap/Chairman's Challenge provides opportunities to record performance
- Additionally NC will organise a timed mile in August

Negotiations with the Squash Club

RF gave a report on the discussions. The Squash club were sympathetic to our position and they appreciated our concerns for our members. They took on our suggestions for alternative fee structures whilst telling us of their constraints. They agreed to take our points to their next committee meeting.

Action : RF to chase Squash Club for a reply

It was agreed that we should use one of the alternative venues as a place for the next committee meeting.

Action : AM agreed to organise this.

Action : AM to get offer from favoured alternative venue in writing

AOB

The club would consider entering the Borders League following representations from Dom Roberts and Colin Lamprey, provided they would take on the organisation.

It was too late to enter the Merseyside Grand Prix this year but GS agreed to monitor GP fixtures, turnout and participants for this year to inform our decision. In future we could coincide some of the GP fixtures with our RR league.

NC gave an update on the Fell section. He advised that Paul Challender to organise the relays and that DG had agreed to be second in command when NC not able to attend races.

NC gave an update from Merseyside County.

There is a Masters XC race at Wavertree on 18th March 8km(M)/6.2km(F)

The Country AGM will be held at 1930h on Monday 10th April at Liverpool Harriers AC club house. NC will be going but others are welcome. We are entitled to have 4 members present.

The next two year will see Nationals in the North - 2018/19 York/Pontefract respectively

NC requested that the County meeting update become a standing item on the agenda.

Action : CM

GS gave update on the Seaside runs.

All licences were in place and there is to be a trial run on the new 5km course a week on Sunday. Hopefully there will be about 15 people to help test the systems

RF updated the meeting about Tuff Nuts – there were 39 teams entered, it was all going smoothly apart from the fact that a trophy is yet to be returned.

RF will hand over to the organisation of this to the Club for future. Based upon this year he will provide a set of instructions for the successor.

DG has agreed to become more involved with running of Tuff Nutz starting 2018 (with transition help from RF) and possible become a central co-ordinator with increased assistance form the wider membership.

RF noted that this needs many helpers to work smoothly and DG shouldn't be expected to do it all himself.

Action : RF to provide full details to DG

Action : DG to become more involved from 2018

Next Meeting

This will be arranged by AM – see earlier minute