

## Pensby Runners Committee Meeting

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2019 @ Heswall Squash Club

**Attended:** Dave Green, Roy Fisher, Nigel Crompton, Gordon Scholefield, Emily Astley, Andy Sumner, Ralph Pawling.

**Apologies:** John Keyworth, Dan Bruffell, Andy Morley,

Matters arising:

- Banners and flags

ACTION: Nigel to liaise with Kate Roughley at Nettl regarding production of banners / flags.  
Gwyn has cut hedge in preparation.

- Litter run. Bit disappointing numbers. Concern that people didn't attend due to litter run taking place. Plan to review next year.

Agenda items:

- **Membership update**

Rider HQ 133 standard, 8 full, 1 under 25 years (7 second claim). = 140 members, awaiting on 2 members.

Think that membership total for VLM is taken from September onwards.

Query a few members for whom we are still awaiting payment.

ACTION – AS - Plan for Andy to mention on Tuesday night – to bring in members. Also to clear up non-members off Facebook site

- **Timing Equipment**

Concern that only a few people willing to take part in timing for Handicaps – sense that people don't have confidence to use equipment. Discussion around using more simple timing system to time events with smaller numbers. Park Run app was used with list of finishers in order seemed to work well.

Concern about not fully using equipment which cost £2000. Can still use equipment for specific races which involve greater number of runners.

PLAN: Use Parkrun App for timings, combined with list of names – link with list of handicaps.

- **Multi Terrain Races**

Nigel reported that all is in hand. Nigel shared that second and final committee meeting next week. All club secretaries have been informed of events. Further email will go out asking for all club members. First aid been arranged. Licence gone into Run Britain. Council permissions applied for. Retained price of £1 per member – may need reviewing.

Andy Waring to take over Race Director role for Arrowe Park event. Other race directors remain the same. Nigel to take on the role of series director. Timing – plan to use Park run app, with back up. Need to ensure at least two timers for men and women.

GDPR an issue last year – Some not willing to hand over details of members.

Golf Club booked for last night prize giving.

ACTION: Nigel to look into results and prize criteria.

- **Club Website**

Hand over from Chris Nolan to Farm Factory happened last week

Farm Factory are awaiting reply in relation to Pensby email - discussion around [info@pensbyrunners.co.uk](mailto:info@pensbyrunners.co.uk) to be open to all members of committee. Once answered by one member, email is marked as responded to.

Roy shared that Tuffnutz website likely to be under his domain name – plan to shift this under Pensby Runners.

- **Virgin London Marathon 2020**

Website still relates to club membership for 2019. Will receive an email in September?

Query how many places needed for one place = 10-150

ACTION: Emily to email VLM to check when email sent and if we're on the list

- **Chairman's Challenge**

Taking place on 27<sup>th</sup> August 2019 – Wirral to be invited to attend. Not official interclub event.

ACTION: Roy to contact Anne from Wirral AC.

- **Interclub Challenge**

UTS have been in touch regarding interclub challenge – Wirral AC / Wallasey / UTS. Once a year, each club to attend each other club once.

ACTION: Nigel to continue to have conversation with Paul Holmes.

- **Seaside runs – Report provided by Gordon Scholefield**

Wirral Seaside Runs 2019 – Races 4 and 5

Since the last committee meeting, we have had two races, with 298 starters in the June race and 264 in the July race. The latter was particularly pleasing as a Merseyside Grand Prix race was held on the same evening in Sefton Park. The wind was more favourable in the July race which resulted in a new Under 20 record for Joseph Morrison (15.45) and a senior lady record for Emily Kearney (16.50). In the July race, two runners tripped and required on course first aid but were able to continue and finish.

Preparations are now in hand for the purchase of Grand Prix and Age category trophies. The presentation evening has been set for Weds 4<sup>th</sup> September. For the last two years we have made the presentations in Leasowe Lighthouse, but the number attending has made this impractical, so for this year we have booked a function room at the Derby Pool, close to the finish of the runs.

At the presentation, we would also like to reinforce the contribution the runs make to local charities and would like to present a cheque for £500 to our nominated charity. We could still present another cheque for a similar amount at the AGM, once our final accounts have been audited and the total amount agreed upon. We welcome the views of the committee.

- **Treasurers report:**

Andy Morley provided the latest figures in his absence.

'As of August 1<sup>st</sup> 2019, £10, 545 – similar figures to 1<sup>st</sup> August 2018 (£10,465)

As of August 13<sup>th</sup> 2019, £10,843, with all bills paid and August 13<sup>th</sup> 2018, £9, 848.

At this point last year, we still had some bills to pay, so still very similar.

Any other business

- Ralph raised concerns about specific figure of 8 route as part of regular Tuesday night runs, which goes up Dee View in Lower Heswall, taking in sharp right hand turn. Ralph concerned it is dangerous and goes head into traffic. Andy shared that he has already made plans to change this route and will share this information with other run leaders.

- Query around responsibilities around accidents which might happen in club. Do we need next of kin details in membership?

ACTION: Dave to add question to Rider HQ around next of kin.