

Norwich Road Runners Committee Meeting

Tuesday 27 September 2016

Present: Gary Cooper (Chairman), Nicky Dowson, Paul Dowson, Kathleen Easter, Nick Gurney, Stacey Harper, Barry Hipwell, Beryl Knowles, Rachel Miller (Minutes), Mick Powell.

Apologies: John Miller

1. Juniors

Elies, Alma and Richard attended and updated the committee on the Juniors.

- They have over 40 signed up juniors now.
- Good encouragement and team support from all.
- Now using the lights on the field. Paul Dowson noted that he would be happy to meet to show all how to use the lights and how best to store them too.
- They have secured the hall from the 13th October and this will be available 7pm – 8pm.
- They are focusing on Cross Country this season at Horsford and the Ryston Runners series.
- After discussion Mick Powell noted the Horsford Prizes would be from 7 years old.
- Elies noted that she is looking at dates for coaching courses for any other potential coaches for the juniors.
- It was discussed to look into further lights for the field.
- Alma noted that a Code of Conduct has been drawn up in conjunction with the juniors and all have to sign this now. **To be passed to Nick Gurney and added to the junior section of the website.**

2. Round Norfolk Relay

- All Captains are happy to continue for the RNR in 2017.
- The committee discussed the four teams this year. Due to injury there was a lot of changing of team members leading up to the event. Suggested holding

a forum for team captains to attend in the months before the RNR, to enable better communication.

- Noted that our marshalling point at Cley needs to be organised earlier next year.

3. Broadland Half Marathon

Kathy noted that the hall has been booked for £114. She asked if the sports field was needed. Noted that yes, it is needed for the Juniors to have their fun run.

Nick Gurney informed the committee that Chip Timing UK had changed their entry and payments processor from Primo Events to Active Network, which has higher fees than Primo Events. Primo was noted as having issues, which affected the Wroxham 5k Series.

Nick Gurney proposed that next year's entries are submitted via Run Britain. The advantage of this is that there is no transaction fee and it automatically verifies affiliated status. **All agreed for entries to be via Run Britain.**

Entry Fees agreed at £22.50 affiliated and £24.50 unaffiliated and to open the entries at the end of October.

4. AGM

- The Social Committee to be given a £200 budget to arrange the buffet for the AGM. **Gary Cooper to speak to Social Committee.**
- Nick Gurney is arranging this year's presentation. He would like someone to deliver this presentation though.
- Discussed items for the AGM:
 - Juniors
 - Coaches
 - Reims
 - New Kit
 - Race Directors
 - London Marathon Ballot

5. Any other business

- Adie Grand has stepped down from arranging signage at races. Discussions with Mark Betts, Micky and Paul to continue this on.

- Richard High has stepped down as coach co-ordinator. Discussing with Neil Walpole and Stephen Moseley on potentially taking this on for Tuesdays. Richard will still continue on Mondays. Look at holding a coach's meeting and then announcing to the club.
- Stacey Harper agreed to organise the London Marathon trip for 2017.
- The Social Committee has asked if the club would pay for a photo booth for the Christmas Party. Cost was £300. The committee discussed this and felt that a similar result could be achieved with less money, and this was quite expensive. The committee collectively agreed to turn down the request. Baz Hipwell will notify the social committee of the decision.

6. Date of next meeting

The next committee meeting will be on Tuesday 25 October which will be the AGM.

The committee can be contacted at any time:

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