

Norwich Road Runners Committee Meeting

Tuesday 29 March 2016

Present: Gary Cooper (Chairman), Mark Betts, Paul Dowson, Nicky Dowson, Kathleen Easter, Nick Gurney, Stacey Harper, John Miller, Rachel Miller (Minutes), Mick Powell, Alma Simmonds (for Item 1 only).

Absent with Apologies: Mark Betts, Barry Hipwell, Catherine Twiss

1. Juniors

Alma Simmonds updated.

All going well with the juniors. On Thursdays there are around 16 juniors and on Saturday 21/22.

Noted that further help is needed to be able to deal with larger numbers.

Will be taking four children's teams to Ekiden with four children in each team.

Noted about the storage locker needing better access.

2. New Lights

Paul Dowson updated that these are being used on the field and working well. All coaches need to be able to use them and we need to decide how to secure them if they aren't being used over the summer.

3. Broadland Half Marathon

Gary Cooper updated.

We had three runners who did not finish.

There has been good feedback received about the support from marshals and also the number of marshals on the course.

Making a £20 donation to South Walsham School.

John Miller noted that there were issues with getting the results – these were quite intermittent on the tablet and not being able to get a signal. If we are going to use this with announcing finishers then it needs to work.

4. Wroxham 5k Series

Nick Gurney updated. There have been 247 series entrants with 7 weeks to go, compared to 150 this time last year.

Preparation plans going well. Will arrange to speak with the social committee about arranging some events for the third race, to celebrate the series' 20th anniversary.

5. Round Norfolk Relay

The entries for this opens online shortly.

Stacey has a sample hoodie which she will bring to the next meeting.

6. Ekiden

Rachel Miller and Stacey Harper organising the lists and coaches for Ekiden. Discussed that with the juniors also attending this year then two coaches would be required.

7. London Marathon

Stacey Harper updated that all monies have been paid and the coach is full. There will be a £10 refund on the day.

8. Communications Officer Report

Nick Gurney updated.

50 emails received through the 'contact' email address, almost all relating to the Broadland Half Marathon.

Facebook – still going through members list and removing where person has been inactive for a while or have no relation to the club. Likes on race pages continuing to grow.

New website now live – great feedback from both inside and outside the club.

9. Social Committee

Rachel Miller updated.

The recent fish and chip night and Easter fancy dress run was well attended.

There are further events planned such as a beach day following a Sunday beach run, a treasure hunt and this year's Christmas party is already being organised and booked.

The Social Committee meets on the first Tuesday of every month, and can be contacted via social@norwichroadrunners.com

10. Any other business

- John Miller asked if Mark could send an update on membership.

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next committee meeting will be on Tuesday 26 April 2016.

The committee can be contacted at any time:

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