

Plymstock Road Runners

162nd Committee Meeting Wednesday 15th April 2015

Minutes

Apologies: James Blewett, Kate Aspinall.

Present: Steve Leonard, Dave Oliver, Steve Rose, Jill Rose, Sandy Williams, Bridgette Henry, Laura Allen, Steve Whitney, Dave Hurrell and Becky Horne.

Finance:

Treasurer's report: Steve Whitney reported club has around £4,600 in its account. He has paid England Athletics for 50 members which totalled £700. Club has just over 60 paid up members with a predicted membership of 80 by October 2015. If only this number is achieved it would lead to an increase in our predicted budget deficit of £957 which had been calculated on achieving 100 members.

Possibilities of reducing some of the funds in the club account were discussed. Reduction in club meal price was not passed. A reduced fee for under 21's of £18 was agreed, they must be under 21 at the time of officially joining. It was agreed to pay for meal after Duckponds race for members who have marshalled. Number of marshals required is 45.

The committee agreed a monthly draw of a voucher valued at £20, paid up members to be included in the draw and vouchers suggested from Frank Elford's, Drake Circus etc.

David Oliver to buy vouchers.

D.O.

Tea Rota is to remain as it currently exist, Steve W rightly stated that at this point in time it is predictive on some members who have not yet paid their fees but are likely to do so.

Next Finance Meeting 21st May 2015 after club.

Muddy Duck 2015:

Steve Rose that as part of the new 10k course it is proposed we run into the quarry at Duckponds. This is owned by Wain Homes, Steve will seek to check we have their permission to run into the quarry.

S.R.

Dave Oliver to contact local press/media at the beginning of May to promote the run.

D.O.

£10 Vouchers for the race category winners will be purchased from Go Outdoors.

Unfortunately the race timing chips will no longer be available, Armada were concerned about the water element of the race affecting the equipment.

Becky Horne will post details of the race on Run Britain and on Facebook. **B.H.**

Steve Rose has already sent out flyers to other running clubs.

Steve Leonard has contacted Eagle Signs with regard to printing Muddy Duck race on reverse of PRR banner.

Steve Rose has confirmed/contacted: an adjudicator; race permit; PCC; Dartmoor Rescue for 1st Aid; SWW; and Jo Anderson for results.

It was suggested we clear the route a day or even a week before. Also, that the route needs to be run in advance.

Kate Aspinall and Sandy Williams are to produce signs and laminate them **S.W., K.A.**

Steve Rose will pick up the race clock from Fred Jenkins, Tamar Trotters will collect from us after the race. Steve will also redesign marshalling templates for the new route. **S.R.**

Steve Leonard will send letters to local residents informing them of the race. **S.L.**

Next Muddy Duck Meeting 20th May 2015

External Committee:

Dave Hurrell is to stand down as webmaster and also from the committee, he was thanked for all his efforts. Steve Rose is to join the committee in his place.

Becky Horne will seek advice from IT specialist at her place of work on changing/updating the website. **B.H.**

Steve Rose will obtain details of accessing the website from Dave Hurrell and will contact other members of the committee to inform them how they can input information onto the site. **S.R.**

There is currently a PRR Facebook page and a Facebook group, Dave Hurrell will give admin rights to Becky Horne and Kate Aspinall. Club night routes will be posted on Facebook as well as club site, Becky Horne will contact Bridgette on how to do this. **B.H.**

It was considered that the club should continue to attend Armada Forum meetings to continue networking and maintaining our connections and profile. Steve Leonard will produce a rota of committee members to attend. **S.L.**

Dave Oliver will attend the next meeting with him.

In future it is intended to display the club banner outside on the church railings, Steve Whitney will confirm this is acceptable with the priest. **S.W.**

Next External Committee Meeting 14th May 2015

Internal Committee:

A walk to run scheme was suggested as a way of developing the membership, Dave Oliver produced details of a friends running club that had used this scheme effectively. It would take the form of a ten week programme with a final goal of running the Park Run. The programme could be run on club night. Sandy Williams suggested that Alan Jones might be interested in leading this group, Steve Leonard will approach him. **S.L.**

The integration of juniors to seniors was discussed, Sandy Williams felt this is unlikely with juniors generally not mature or interested enough to progress to senior club.

Junior waiting list is currently controlled by Dave Dane. It was agreed that Sandy should control the list for Tuesday evenings and Dave Dane the Monday evening. Sandy's contact details need to be added to the website as currently only Dave's are available.

Attendance for junior club averages around 35/wk.

Summer Social Event will be the evening at Fort Stamford after the Muddy Duck Race, Jill Rose to explore the possibility of a quiz being included during the evening. **J.R.**

Winter Club Meal will again be at The Miners Arms on the 12th December 2015. **J.R.**

Birthday cards/announcements was an idea that may be revisited in the future but agreed not to be pursued at present.

It was agreed that twice a month there will be an out and back route which will give opportunity for runners of all paces/distances to connect more. Bridgette Henry to organise. **B.H.**

Considered it will be difficult to organise cool downs after club run due to runners returning at different intervals and generally carrying out their own cool down.

AOB:

Steve Whitney and Steve Leonard will look at and price possible new club logos and kit to include club name on the back of kit. Suggested we will stock vests, Sweatshirts and jackets only. **S.L., S.W.**

Next Internal Committee Meeting 3rd June 2015.