



ARMADA ATHLETICS NETWORK
MINUTES OF MEETING AND AGM HELD VIA ZOO
14th June 2021



Present: Paul Ross (EVH & Chairman); Steve Blackford (COPAC); Sharon Dunridge (Plymouth Musketeers); Fred Jenkins (IS); Richard Warne (Plymouth Harriers); Keith Reed (EVH); Linda Worsfold (Plymstock RR); Steve Baker (Tamar Trotters); Martin Head (BATS); John Smith (Treasurer); Jon Roberts (Launceston RR); Ian Lamerton (Plymouth Tri Club)

Apologies: Dave Hatch (Moorhaven); Darren William (Plymouth Musketeers); Lee Robinson (Plymouth H); Jackie Faulkner (PRR)

Paul welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked everyone for their attendance once again. This was the AGM of the group

Chairs Report

Paul gave a brief report on the past year which had been difficult for all the members clubs. Certainly the pandemic has made everyone think about the priorities and finding ways of doing things differently and communicating using Zoom. We hope that things are returning to normal and clubs can start to grow again. There have been very few events in the past year on the road but track and field has returned. We are fortunate that the Brickfields track was refurbished and the group would like to thank Plymouth City Council for their investment. There were no questions for Paul.

Financial Report

John Smith was in attendance and explained the annual accounts. We have a healthy balance in both accounts. The No2 account has the Sport England grant.

The accounts have been approved by our accountants and sent to Companies house as part of our CIC requirement.

Election of Officers

Paul Ross was re-elected as Chair

Keith Reed will continue as Secretary in a paid admin role where appropriate.

John Smith was re-elected as Treasurer but did point out that he is not living in our area any more. This was accepted.

Affiliation Fees

The affiliation Fees were agreed and they would remain the same (25p per member up to a maximum of £50. However it was agreed we would not charge until April 2022.

That concluded the business of the AGM

Club reports

COPAC

Steve Blackford said the club was going well with the Track and Field season in full flow.

The athletes had been performing well with some excellent results particularly from the U17 and U20's. The Armada team did well in the first SW League match held at Plymouth.

Tamar Trotters

Steve Baker gave the report. Club back training on a Tuesday and Thursday with around 40 at each session. Club are in a recovery phase. Athletes are doing a variety of events as they arise.

Plymouth Musketeers

Sharon Dunridge gave a report. Club is going well. Did a 100 mile relay at the weekend.

There are a number of new LIRF courses available on line and the club have a few booked on.

BATS – Martin Head reported. The club still going well. A new Couch to 5k initiative has started with emphasis on getting lapsed runners back.

Plymstock Road Runners

Linda Worsfold attended the meeting. Graham Bale and Carla Haines won the Race the Tide event held recently. Improvers groups is doing well

Instinctive Sport.

Fred Jenkins said continue to go well with the club. They have some runners returning and the new recruits are settling in well.

Moorhaven RC

No report

Plymouth Harriers

Richard Warne gave the report. Leigh Robinson and Jane Allison attended the CIRF course in Plymouth which was excellent. Overall the club is doing well

Tavistock AC

No report.

Plymouth Tri Club – The meeting was attended by Ian Lamerton. The club have returned to training at the Life Centre and the track. The club are hosting the Plymouth Triathlon event on July 11th.

Launceston Road Runners

The meeting was attended by Jon Roberts. The Treggy 7 is still on 5th September. Runners at Burrator 10K. Hope to enter teams in the Tavi Relays.

STORM- No report but club are active.

EVH

Club training sessions still going well at Ivybridge Rugby Club (but outside) and juniors at Ivybridge College have been going well. Numbers of juniors are now picking up well. More seniors attending each week. The EVH Relays are on July 23rd. Entries have now opened. Limit will be 150 teams.

Clocks – Booking for Treggy 7,

Coaching and Officials Courses

These are now online at <https://www.athleticshub.co.uk>

Armada 5K Series

The June race had to be cancelled because permission was not received in time. We have now booked the Hub (cost £15ph).for our first race on July 14th.The course is now sorted and we have been granted the Run Britain license Entry fee to be increased to £3 to allow for disposable numbers etc. Entries are now open via our website link.

We must provide First Aid Cover so can all clubs recruit from their members and also we need 8 marshals. This is now vital.

Chip Timing System

We have been booked for Exeter Half on 27 June plus Granite Way and Exeter Marathon.

Darren Williams to run the system on 27 June but he needs help. Richard Warne has volunteered to help but if there are any other willing volunteers please get in touch

Grand Prix 2021

It is hoped to start in July with the first 5K

AOB

- KR reported the situation with the track at Brickfields following the SW League. Again there was no support from the Parks Department on the day so everything was done by the centre and the officials. There are still issues with the hurdles. The main issue was the grass not being removed from the infield and the Steeplechase which leaked back through the inlet. This has now been sorted.
- We still need to consider how we spend the Sport England Grant over the next few months. Possibly set up a sub-committee.

Date of next meeting via Zoom on Monday 12th July