



Ackworth Road Runners Committee Meeting Summary

2nd June 2020

Online via Zoom

2000 hours

Present:

Chris Taylor	Chair	CT
Stewart Haigh	Treasurer	SH
Steve Berry	Secretary	SJB
Joe Worthington		JW
Jenny Swindell		JS
Dave Allison		DA
Jeff Denton		JD
Mark Leadbeater		ML
Mel Owen		MO
Chris Sharp		CS
Debbie Worthington		DW

Apologies

Lesley Needham, Georgi Newton, Ruth Walker, Helen Wainwright, Vicky Wathey.

Minutes of the meeting held on 5th May 2020 and matters arising.

Read and accepted as a true record: No matters arising.

Chairman's Slot.

CT commented on the success of the Carnivorous League as well as the first week of its successor, the Rainbow League and also the excellent variety of virtual activities provided by various members.

He reported on the progress of former member Harvey Wiles, who recently had a stroke and of member Roy Simpson who recently sustained a head injury while running. Both are recovering well.

Treasurer's Slot

SH reported that we currently have 299 members. This figure includes 2nd claim and social members.

Secretary/Correspondence

SJB noted the following correspondence:

- Latest EA update which indicated that further COVID19 guidance would be forthcoming shortly (*posted on both ARR Committee and ARR Coaches FB pages*).
- UKA Rules for Competition book 2020.

Safeguarding

As GN could not attend due to technical issues, SJB reported on previously received EA correspondence regarding safeguarding. Briefly, in future, EA will require that clubs appoint a 2nd safeguarding officer. Attendance on training courses will be required. Suggestions were made regarding suitable candidates.

Action: GN to report in more detail at the next meeting.

Current Virtual Activities

JW reported that interest in the Thursday technical sessions had fallen since members could now meet up in pairs to run. Consequently, these will now be discontinued but kept under review.

A Thursday evening social Zoom meeting was suggested and it was also confirmed that the Tuesday Zoom sessions would continue as they continue to be well attended.

Junior Section

JD reported the following with regard to the Junior Section.

- The final year accounts are still to be finalised.
- The AGM and Awards Night are still to be arranged.
- **No official training sessions of any kind will be held until guidance from EA indicates that it is safe to do so.**
- Some old equipment has been disposed and new equipment purchased in readiness for when training may restart.
- Askern DRC have approached the club with regard to advice and guidance in setting up a Junior Section of their own.

35 Year Anniversary

SH has started planning a relay event involving a 220 mile route incorporating members home locations. The legs vary from a few hundred metres up to 9 miles. It is hoped to hold this event before September. CT suggested that using the dates for the now cancelled Leeds Country Way could be a possibility. More details to follow as they become known.

It is hoped that other events to mark the anniversary may also be held in the not too distant future.

Club Training/Events

A discussion took place regarding possibilities for club events for the remainder of the year subject to government and EA guidelines.

These include:

A Summer Handicap event starting and finishing at the Cricket Club incorporating a staggered start with no more than 5 members at a time at each start time. Members would need to pre-register and attend at their allocated start time. Discussions with the Cricket Club are ongoing. It was suggested that the Priory 10k date of July 15th was a possible option.

Replacement GP events possibly at Wintersett, Heath Common and the Frickley parkrun course. All with staggered starts as described above.

It was decided that the Rainbow League would run for 8 weeks.

Any Other Business

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 2050.

Date for next meeting

Tuesday 30th June 2020 via Zoom.