

Lothian Running Club – AGM Minutes – 21st November 2012

1. Present and Apologies

See below

2. Minutes of last AGM on the 16th November 2011 - Approved

3. Chairman's Report

Colin Meek opened the meeting highlighting the coaching shortage currently at the club and encouraged members to consider assisting with coaching.

Thanks were given to all coaches, volunteers, committee members and marshals who help the club throughout 2012.

Membership numbers initially dropped at the start of the year from approx. 200 to approx. 100 but there has now been a steady increase in membership and the figure is currently sitting at 169.

A review of the Festive Handicap and the Trail Race at Dechmont and how successful both events had been and thanks given to all that helped organise these 2 events.

LAP meeting 4 times a year to bring schools and the 3 local running clubs together. Feeder club for 13year olds and under to bring youngsters into the club from local schools.

Helen MacDonald trophy – it has been decided to organise a wood carving from Dechmont Law Woods to present annually at the Trail Race.

4. Treasurers Report

Income and Expenditure report was distributed to members.

Point of note were:

Profit from Trail Race £900

Half of membership fees is paid to Scottish Athletics

Club training fees up by over £1,000 for the year

Club surplus for year £1,040

5. Fees for 2013

Training fees for club nights – it was decided to keep these the same as last year.

Membership fees – senior members now £16, junior member (U21) £10, family £32, non-competing member £5

6. Election of Committee for 2013

Colin Banham and Ted Finch, both standing for chairman, gave their visions for the future of the Club and a ballot was held.

Committee Members

Ted Finch was elected as chairman.

Vice chairman position remained unfilled

Treasurer position – Kenny Mearns – as last year

Secretary – Mike Turnbull – voted in by Martin Greig and Jim Alexander

Coaching Co-ordinator – Saran Jones and Rita Barr

Women's captain – Sarah Inglis – as last year

Men's captain – Scott Nelson – voted in by Ted Finch and Kenny Mearns

Ordinary Members

Membership secretary – Colin Banham – as last year

Minutes secretary – Shona Young – as last year

John Malcolm

Martin Hyman

Important roles undertaken by Members

Welfare officer – Neal Drummond

Results Co-ordinator – Shane Fenton

Kit Organiser – David Berrill

U & R Editor – Neal Drummond

Website Co-ordinator – Ted Finch and Colin Partridge

Fiddlers Handicap Co-ordinator – David Berrill and Colin Partridge

Fiddlers Results – John Malcolm

Trail Race Organiser – Ted Finch
Both junior captain positions remain vacant
Announcements – Kenny Mearns and Suzie Hannah
Compile club XC Camp points total – Calvin Crane

7. Discussion of Formal Proposals from Members

Proposal from Edel Mooney and Seconded by Nicola Kellock

We recognise the importance of coaching to the development of our club. Therefore we think that our committee should regard it as their duty to offer all possible support to our coaches. If coaches are hampered or are accused of wrong-doing when carrying out their duties, then the committee should investigate without delay and should take appropriate action to resolve the problem.

Edel discussed the proposal that coaches need to receive more support from the committee when issues arise. In discussion it was suggested that a wider Code of Conduct may be the way forward. Ted Finch confirmed that if the proposal was passed then this would be a mandate on the committee to take appropriate action.

On a show of hands the proposal was passed unanimously.

8. Any other competent business

Festive Handicap is going ahead as usual. You can enter the race by email, phone or on the day. Help is still required on the day for marshals.

Club Championship Races – list of races is still to be decided and a list of suggested races is now being considered.

Fiddlers – still need more marshals and helpers – anyone who can help please let Colin Malcolm know and he will add you to the list of helpers that he emails every month for assistance.

Parent Helpers – Rita asked if they need to have a disclosure. This is not compulsory but considered good practice.

9. Date of next Committee Meeting

Wednesday 5th December 2012 at 8.30pm at the Livingston Inn

Attendees

Kenny Mearns
Shona Young
Martin Hyman
Peter West
Nicola Kessock
Jim and Teresa Salvage
Colin Banham
Lana and Hazel Turnbull
David Berrill
Gerard and Cara McCafferty
Edel Mooney
Brian Morris
Mike Lieberman
Chloe Cox
Saran and Kenton Jones
Rita Barr
Cliff Dicker
Alec Agnew
Ted Finch
Colin Partridge
Colin Meek
John Bryce
Stephen Mackie
Sara

Jill and Alice Horseburgh
Scott and Bethany Nelson
John Malcolm

Appologies

Mike and Mags Turnbull