

Rugby & Northampton Athletics Club: General Committee Meeting

Date 8 May 2017, Creaton, 19.30

Present: Mark Exley, Karen Rushton, Joe Horsley, Dave Burge, Adrian White, Steve Reynolds, Amanda Gurney, Andrea Cooke, Angela Sumnall, Paul Cooper and Terry Akiens

Apologies: Stuart Carlaw, Janet Wright and Katie Roseblade.

1. Matters arising from meeting of 3 April 2017

None

2. Northampton Track

- 2.1. Cage: doors have damaged hold stand which is ripping up tarmac. Throws circle not draining, needs to be repaired by installers.
- 2.2. Steeple Chase – leak in water jump.
- 2.3. Other equipment – club stores being accessed by ‘someone’ who is using our equipment.

3. Rugby Track and Clubhouse

- 3.1. Clubhouse lease: awaiting council to provide final copy for signature. Agreed what will be in lease.
- 3.2. Report received from JW which was discussed. Noted LRG funding of £5697.
- 3.3. DB said that his brother in law (lawyer) had looked through clubhouse lease and together with no break clause in contract also had no mechanism for increases, allow RBC to increase costs by ‘any’ amount.
- 3.4. Rent increases could be raised to current market value. No limitation or break clause. Risk that signatories could be liable for any failure to pay in future.
- 3.5. There was written permission for advertising – unclear on limitations.
- 3.6. Ability to rent space - GLC/RDC could block, DB highly recommends solicitor looks through lease. Agreed to obtain quotes for review of lease.

4. Finance

- 4.1. Rugby Clubhouse: equipment for clubhouse – funded by LRG
Other equipment – agreed to fund
Fundraising – Santa Run is LRG anyway
Startrack – profits should go to general funds.
- 4.2. Subscriptions - £33k outstanding from renewals
- 4.3. Transactions – noted.
- 4.4. Accounts: noted.
- 4.5. Budget for 2017 – noted
- 4.6. Coaching courses – noted

5. Athletics Foundation

- 5.1. Angela Sumnall will coordinate requests from the club to the trust. JH explained process and gave update on Trust.

6. Membership

- 6.1. Membership; athletes need registering if they compete in May matches. This can only be done once they have paid this year’s subscription.
- 6.2. New Members
List below of 3members accepted into the club.

First Name	Surname	Summer_Age_Group	Membership Type	Hub
Benjamin	Fenton	U11B	Standard	Northampton
Ashleigh	Greene	U13G	Standard	Northampton
Shanice	Ighalo	U13G	Standard	Northampton

7. Competition (since the last meeting)

- 7.1. Lower level YDL – Won
- 7.2. Upper level YDL – lots of people not available but still won easily.
- 7.3. BAL (Yeovil) – 1st meeting of year, came 2nd out of 8 teams
- 7.4. UK Women's League – (Wigan) finished 5th out of 6
- 7.5. Midland League – several events with no club representation, did well in field events, post mortem needed to sort out internal communications.
- 7.6. HofE – DB+AG had to manage six teams, Gaps in teams that should have been covered. Declaration teams differed from team sheet! More support needed on the day. Richard Blenkinsop will co-ordinate whole of teams.

8. Governance

None.

9. Road Races

- 9.1. EMGP Silverstone: Senior Ladies 1st, Vet Ladies 1st, Senior Men 4th and Vet Men 5th.
- 9.2. London Marathon – 10 club runners in under 3 hours
- 9.3. Angela Copson – London Marathon in 3hr 35, got UK record for F70, but not world record as gun time not chip time applies.
- 9.4. Rugby 6 is on 17 May.

10. Communication

- 10.1. Website: Need for someone to steer the website team. TA to be the link between committee and the team.

11. Welfare

- 11.1. Last month's issue is closed. Discussion over support and expectations.

12. AOB

- 12.1. Coaching sub-committee: deferred yet again to next meeting.
- 12.2. Open Meetings – need to raise profile and quality/volume of future opens.
- 12.3. Flags/tents etc. Needed so that our athletes can find us at meetings. Possible funding item for Trust.

Meeting Closed 21:38

Date of next meeting 5 June at 19.30