



*Minutes of HR Quarterly Meeting
held on Monday 9th Sept 2019*

<u>Present</u>		<u>Apologies</u>	
Mick	Anglim	Danii	Bundy
Tim	Anetts	Vicki	Clarke
Claire	Aplin	Marilyn	Falmer
Jeremy	Barber	Chris	Harris
Charmaine	Bradford	Sally	Harbut
Dan	Chown	Jane	Hodge
Hannah	Cockle	Tamsin	Roberts
Sarah	Hood		
Dan	Latham		
Roger	Morgan		
Rob	Wells		

1. Membership

As at 4th Sept 2019 the total number of members is 182 with 131 having EA membership:

Lifetime Membership	2
Social Membership	7
Membership age 15 to 20	6
Non Competitive Members	30
Full Membership out of county	6
Full membership	<u>131</u>
	182

2. Treasurers Report

Our finances are sound. A copy of the report is available on request from the club secretary.

3. Coaching

Track Sessions:

During the last week of July, Mr Colin Goater International Coach carried out a Parlauff Session on the running track at Hardley School. This session was well supported & enjoyed by our runners.

We held a Family Fun Evening in July. Again really well supported, in-fact this year we had more children than adults. This was the final summer track session.

Although the resident Caretaker has left, the grass track has once more been maintained to a high standard for our use.

The numbers of Hardley Runners taking part in the track sessions has been very good throughout the season.

Beginners:

The last beginners session finished on June 23rd, it is difficult to monitor but I know of 7 Ladies & 2 Men that have joined Hardley Runners.

Training sessions:

The autumn / winter training sessions return to the road at the end of September. We now have plenty of Ladies High Viz vests available (thanks to Katherine Broomfield). There is also an adequate supply of mens High Viz, held at Applemore Recreation Centre.

There is now a First Aid Kit to take out to training venues.

As before Andy, Steve, Ian & Chris continue to take the twice weekly the training sessions. Simon Ibbotson is happy to help take a session as necessary.

Dan and Paul act as Run leaders and Andy Mansfield has offered to help with the forth coming time trial. There are always 2 to 3 qualified leaders at training, which is excellent & certainly helps support the coach taking that session, not forgetting the new people and more steady runners.

Social runs:

The last joint Summer Social run takes place on Tuesday September 17th.

4. Club Kit

New club vest update:

Claire and Rob previewed potential designs on paper, with progress being made with potential suppliers. It was noted some suppliers insist on minimum order quantities i.e. 100 vests.

Consideration should be given over when to launch a new vest as we still have good numbers of existing club kit and only ONE kit can be declared and worn at formal running events per club.

An idea was put forward for the club to initially subsidise the purchase of the new vest to encourage members to switch to the new design, with the benefit of advertising the new vest.

We have a good relationship with our current supplier who has been our supplier for many years.

Details on designs, prices per quantity etc should be available for next meeting.

It should still be noted that one of the main reasons for change is many of our lady runners have requested a more fitted style of club vest.

There is now the potential from some suppliers for runners to order online via the company website and therefore removing the need for clubs to purchase and hold stock of club kit.

5. Hants Road Race League

Current Position Vacant

Tim Anetts has offered to email the details of HRRL races until a captain is recruited.

£25 for 2 ladies' and 2 men's team has been paid.

Entries filling up fast, runners encouraged to enter early and be aware of the HRRL swaps Facebook page.

Hardley Runners should always try to transfer to another member within the club prior to advertising globally.

6. CC6

Good attendance at the first CC6 (17 runners), with more ladies than men. The ladies team finished first in the league.

The CC6 organised by Hardley runners will be held on 24th November 2019. An email has been sent to club members with about half the volunteer positions already filled.

A social recce run of the course is due to take place Sunday 3rd November 2019. Lead marshals will be named after this date.

Both CC6 captains will be away for the next CC6 (Manor Farm 13th October). Simon Ibbotson and Charmaine Bradford have offered to assist.

Mick will be away for the Hardley Runners CC6, therefore another carpark manager is required. Dan Latham offered to assist.

Car sharing discussed as a major issue, with options of turning non car sharing runners away from the main carparks. However, this has been tried in the past and was difficult to enforce.

Feedback for other CC6 events:

Swap Netley Abbey to a 7:30 start later in the season as runners struggle to get there due to traffic resulting in a delayed start.

The 1st event of the season (Flemming Park, Eastleigh) would be safer ran in the reverse direction, following several trips at the recent event.

7. RR10

The RR10 season is now over.

The number of cars at these events is thought to be the biggest challenge and risk for the future of RR10s. Therefore car sharing needs to be encouraged.

Possibilities for multiple car share points (as well as Applemore) discussed but would need to be arranged by individuals taking part at these events.

8. Cross Country

The first cross country of the season takes place at Kings Park Bournemouth (Sat 12th Oct)

Categories have been aligned between male / female runners with the following categories now being available:

M40	W40
M50	W50
M60	W60
M70	W70

There are two more cross country fixtures in November (Sparsholt College and Aldershot) with the remaining events taking place in 2020.

As many of these events involve significant car journeys, the idea of car sharing with a pub stop was put forward.

A request was made for a larger dry storage area, with the potential to stand up in to keep both runners and kit dry. Tim to provide approx. cost for this.

9. Solent Half Marathon – 22nd Sept

Race is full (500 entries max)

Volunteer email has been sent out by Judy, currently low on volunteers as same people are spread across multiple roles.

A question was raised as to whether the prize money vouchers have been ordered.

10. **Publicity**

Solent Half leaflets produced and successfully promoted as the event is now full.

New club vest designs drawn up and shared within the committee present. (More details under club kit section)

A copy of the club mission statement mentioned at previous committee meeting was requested.

Race report and promotional article published on Hythe and Waterside Facebook group.

Concerns were made that it was increasingly difficult to stay in touch with the successes, results and publicity material required by the club as a non-running member not able to attend training sessions etc.

Options for publicity material could be gathered from our existing Facebook reports or Hardley Runners web results / reports as a starting point, or have additional member(s) on the publicity team to assist if required.

'Save the date' information for certain events or club activities may increase members availability to marshal etc.

To address with the issue of struggling to get enough volunteers within the club, various options were discussed, including i) paying a higher membership fee for non-volunteering members / discount if volunteering. ii) placing a volunteer advert in with membership perhaps asking members to show interest in certain roles for the future or share skillset information. iii) Incentives / rewards for volunteers. iv) award for top volunteer at awards ceremony.

11. **Diary**

Any event / race details sent get added to the club calendar. In addition, key dates are being highlighted on the club Facebook group. It was agreed by the committee this is a useful addition to the race diary.

The majority of Sunday social runs are also added to the calendar.

12. **Webmaster**

Reports, results and anything sent is posted to our website in very efficient timescales.

Geoff Mills trophy calculations will be progressed soon.

The CC6 / RR10 results and reports are very rapidly put online, normally by midnight on the night of the race itself!

Jeremy's 250th parkrun is going to be very soon (perhaps even in the next few weeks). A good opportunity for team social and parkrun tourism.

13. **Social**

Unfortunately Ann Maylott has stepped down from her role on the social committee following many successfully organised social events.

Dan Latham has kindly offered to take on the parkrun tourism part of Anns role.

Both the awards ceremony and paddle to the pub events had a good turn out and received positive feedback.

Seashells Hythe has been booked for the post Solent Half meal on 22nd September.

Looking at options for Christmas party, an option this year is to book Hythe Sailing club hall / bar and have an American style supper as feedback from previous Christmas events has been they have been too loud for people to talk.

Suggestion to put Christmas choices to a Facebook poll, but get a date booked ASAP (possibly Dec 16th).

The escape room option for a future social was popular from a Facebook poll with the option of a 'face off' if there are enough people.

14. **Any other business**

1) Committee Vacancies:

The recent emails and discussions at training sessions have failed to result in anyone volunteering for the currently vacant roles. Options to address this discussed as part of publicity section.

Various names (who the committee felt would be good candidates) were discussed.

Due to no one coming forward to volunteer, it may be more successful to approach potential candidates.

2) Date of Hardley Handicap:

The proposed date for this will be December 16th.

A pub meal normally follows this but no booking has been made yet.

Could potentially hold Hardley Runners Christmas do on this same day (to avoid race clashes on other weekends).

Meeting closed 9:00 pm

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 16th September 2019 (TBC) – @ Chris Harris House

Charmaine Bradford

Minuted by Charmaine Bradford for Hardley Runners