

Hardley Runners

Minutes of HR Virtual meeting held on Wednesday 01/12/2021 (via Zoom)

Present

Apologies

Tim	Anetts	Claire	Aplin
Mick	Anglim	Jane	Hodge
Jeremy	Barber	Tamsin	Roberts
Charmaine	Bradford		
Matt	Casey		
Jack	Fairbrother		
Sarah	Fitton		
Chris	Harris		
Simon	Ibbotson		
Dan	Latham		
Adrian	Mudle		
Peter	Pimpentel		
Rob	Wells		

1. Chairman

Mick, our current acting chairman stood down (26/11/2021), the committee passed on thanks to Mick for his efforts in this role over all the years when it was supposed to be a temporary arrangement.

Dan Lathan has kindly offered to be acting chairman. Proposed by Jeremy and seconded by Mick. The committee welcomed and congratulated Dan on accepting his new role.

2. Hardley Handicap

The proposed date for this is Sunday 19th Dec, ideally once again at Hawkhill enclosure. However as Forestry England regulations state the use of robust tracks and have placed limits on car parking an alternative location is being sought. Denny wood, Beaulieu Heath (Aerodrome), Norley Wood, Wilverly, Blackwater were all discussed as options but all had limitations. Location TBD.

It was also raised that the free permit normally acquired for this event may not be available this year and may cost up to £75. The committee agreed the event should still go ahead if possible due to being one of the club's most inclusive events.

3. Exbury 10k

It has been proposed by a 3rd party to reinstate the Exbury 10k Sunday 26th June 2022. A request for support from Hardley runners has been sought, this may include on the day support in the form of marshalling, handing out t-shirts, medals, drinks etc. The committee support this event, and await more details from the organiser.

Mick to discuss with Sue if she would be happy to act as the main contact for this event due to her prior knowledge and expertise from previous years of organising Exbury 10k.

It was also suggested a conversation with Eastleigh Running club may be useful as they support the Eastleigh 10k in a similar way.

4. **CC6**

It was reported there have been two successful events held so far this year, one of them being ours.

Although there was a minor issue with finishing tickets, this was quickly self-resolved.

A good turnout at the Manor Farm event with 11 men and 9 ladies competing.

The email invite has gone out for the next CC6 event at Janesmore Pond 12th Dec. However there will be a further email due to receiving additional instructions from the organiser.

5. **HCCL**

The turnout was low for the first event of the season at Kings Park with just Tim and Mick taking part. Although there was hope of a bigger field at the more popular Aldershot event on 4th Dec. Our captain Tim will be there!

It is recommended to car share (with masks) given the current COVID restrictions, however this is down to personal choice.

6. **HRRL**

The season has started with Overton, not a great turnout for Hardley with only two members competing, it is thought this is due to the event having an afternoon start time. A much bigger team was fielded for both Lordshill 10k and Gosport half with good numbers of both men and ladies. Next event Victory 5.

7. **Geoff Mills Trophy**

With the disruption to the existing format due to COVID restrictions and cancelled events, it was agreed by the committee to now run the Geoff Mills trophy from the start of the HRRL season (Sept) starting with Overton 5 mile. It will now end in mid-August with the last RR10. This will allow the prize giving to take place early September assuming approx. 1 week lead time for trophies.

8. **Safeguarding and Welfare**

Peter was welcomed to the team and thanked for taking on the new role within the club.

It was reported that currently 15 Hardley Runners have DBS certificates and those outstanding or due for renewal were in progress with the exception of Andy who has recently stepped down from his role.

A reminder was made for all club members gaining or renewing DBS to send Peter a copy of the certificate for the club to hold on record.

Peter to send Chris latest spreadsheet of DBS registered members.

9. **Training**

Beginners:

The Monday night 'Next Step' group has just finished following on from the recent 10 week beginners course. 3 ladies have since joined the club, regularly attend club training sessions and are doing well.

Another beginner's course is planned for March 2022. We have recently been awarded a sum of money to set up a beginner's course in Blackfield. It is anticipated both the existing Dibden beginners and Blackfield beginners would run in 2022, however if this is not possible the Blackfield location would be prioritized due to the funding being specifically awarded for this.

Club Training:

Club training is going well with good attendance. The club is supporting 2-3 (fast / medium / steady) groups running out to the training location depending on leader availability and number of runners at the training sessions.

Hi-Viz and lights are being worn at training sessions to help ensure runners are kept safe and visible.

There have been a number of new venues and sessions planned, with a 5k road time trial. It is also anticipated there will be a time trial on the track in the future.

It was reported that the current process whereby there is one coach and one supporter at each training session is working well and will therefore continue.

The proposal was made to the committee to introduce an approach followed by other clubs where at the start of each session 'shout outs' are made to runners that have recently taken part in events. This not only congratulates the individual runner(s) but is great for visibility of running events and sparks conversation in the running group, hopefully encouraging more future participants. This proposal was supported by the committee and may also be extended to up and coming event publicity.

10. **AOB**

1) Love Admin

We were notified there is an upgrade due to LoveAdmin our membership portal. The club has requested this is done in Feb prior to club membership renewals.

Existing members will need to regenerate a new password once this upgrade has taken place prior to renewing membership for 2022.

2) AGM

A provisional date of Sunday 20th Feb has been proposed to coincide with a social run to encourage a larger attendance.

Other solutions to encourage members to attend were discussed. It was suggested a presentation by Trish following her Sea to Sky achievements in Cyprus would be very well received by our members.

Various venues were discussed from Applemore to Vibrant brewery. Mick to make enquires with Applemore and Dan to get a cost for the brewery function room. Any further prices and options will be communicated to the committee.

3) Payment to Applemore

Currently Hardley runners have not paid fees to Applemore since it has become Freedom Leisure, the club is not currently using any of the centres indoor facilities. It is anticipated the club only require a winter need for the centres facilities due to summer training now meeting by the Pylon in the forest.

4) Club Discount Code

Tim Collinson has very kindly forwarded the proposal for Hardley Runners to have a 10% discount with SportsShoes.com (inc free delivery) for orders over £30.

The committee approved this suggestion. Chris to notify Tim and Charmaine to communicate details of the offer and the monthly discount code to our members once we have correspondence from SportsShoes.com.

5) Committee Messenger group

A request was made for anyone with the relevant privileges to add Mick back into the messenger group as he no longer has access.

6) Club Web site

Jeremy apologises for the website not being updated as efficiently as normal but it will be updated very shortly.

Meeting closed 8:40 pm

Date of Next Meeting (TBD)

Charmaine Bradford

Minuted by Charmaine Bradford for Hardley Runners