

# Hardley Runners

## Minutes of HR committee meeting held on Wednesday 07/09/2022 - Mick's House

### Present

### Apologies

Mick	Anglim	Jeremy	Barber
Charmaine	Bradford	Matt	Casey
Dan	Chown	Jack	Fairbrother
Sarah	Fitton	Adrian	Mudle
Sally	Harbut	Tamsin	Roberts
Jane	Hodge	Peter	Pimentel
Simon	Ibbotson		
Dan	Latham		
Rob	Wells		

#### 1. Membership Report

Total membership stands at 180. With the breakdown as follows:

Lifetime membership	2
Social membership	5
Age 15-20	5
Non Competitive	31
Full membership out of county	7
Full membership	130

In light of members feeling confused over the current membership structure, our membership secretary proposed the following amended categories which closer reflect those used by other clubs:

Membership (included EA) £32  
Second Claim (not including EA) £16  
Social £6 (non-runners wishing to attend social events)  
Out of county membership £6 (with option to add EA)  
Under 21s £0

It was noted nothing can formally be updated until the next AGM, however the committee supported a change to the current categories to be put forward for the 2023 AGM. Exact details will be discussed and agreed by the committee prior to proposing the changes in the next AGM.

It was advised there may be a potential financial loss involved if current members chose not to renew, however there may also be an opportunity to use just the EA

membership portal saving LoveAdmin system fees. CB to investigate feasibility of this option.

## 2. **Treasurers Report**

The balance sheet was made available to the committee which still indicate the club to be in a good financial position. (Balance sheet available on request)

It was discussed adding an additional signatory to the clubs bank account, allowing someone other than the treasurer access to the bank account. The committee approved this with JH (membership) and SF (club kit) identified as the most appropriate candidates due to these roles processing financial transactions.

It was noted that the CC6 toilet payment is payable for each event which is a new recent change to the CC6 rules. Also expenditure should also include our CC6 affiliation fee of £125.

There was an unknown transaction to Bauer Consumer Media of £41, further investigations continue to verify if this was fraudulent activity or a valid transaction.

The QE2 RR10 Hire costs are covered by the RR10 league affiliation fees and can therefore be reclaimed.

The committee thought the assets listed were still valid although were subject to depreciation over the years.

## 3. **Coaching Report**

No representative present.

However a request was made to discuss the social run (featured on the training schedule) following reports this was not as welcoming and inclusive as intended.

It was agreed that as this social run formulates part of the coached training schedule the following should be provided (in a similar way to all other training sessions):

-A leader for each group

-Communicate the approximate length of the run / short cut options

-A tail runner / walker. The committee were happy to be included as tail runner / walkers.

On occasions where there are not enough coaches / leaders / committee members to implement the above, faster runners should be encouraged to loop back to ensure no participants are dropped under any circumstances.

## 4. **Welfare Report**

No representative present.

## 5. **Club Kit Report**

There remains little changes to the current stock level with lots of mens kit and fewer womens kit available. An order for more womens kit will shortly be being placed.

A request was made for larger sized ladies kit as it was reported the current design comes up small. It was suggested that where the current supplier largest ladies size is thought to be too small, mens sizes may provide an alternative option. Sarah may even have some of these available to try on!

#### 6. **HRRL Report**

It was reported the season has now started with 12 Hardley runners competing in the Overton 5.

The next race is our hosted Solent Half which currently has 7 men and 7 women entries from our membership.

Hayling 10 mile currently has Hardley runners entered however, only 5 of our members have entered the Gosport Half to date. Although it was observed this date clashed with a number of other events.

A possible sign of things to come given the economic climate, no veteran category prizes were given in the first race of the season, this is a significant change to previous years.

It was also reported that the website has been slow to be updated and latest details of the Solent Half have only just been updated, although it does currently show the latest data.

#### **Club Championships**

Lordshill 10k HRRL race was voted in as our Club Championships (as detailed in June 2022 minutes). A date has now been published for this: 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023.

#### 7. **CC6 Report**

No representative present.

However it was reported there are once again 6 races making up this year's series.

Our event is the first fixture on 9<sup>th</sup> October (jointly hosted) so a plea for marshals and cakes was made.

#### 8. **RR10 Report**

It was reported the current season is now complete with all reports and results available online. The current committee agreed to remain in post for next year's season.

#### 9. **Hampshire Cross Country Report**

No representative present.

However it was reported all fixtures are online and in the race diary.

#### 10. **Solent Half Report**

It was reported planning is going well with medals and buffs ordered and further transactions ongoing.

Entries were low at 240 with entries still being received. It was noted 300 entries were needed to break even with 500 desired for the maximum profit to charities.

The Hardley runners notice board at Freedom leisure centre Applemore has been updated with the latest Solent Half poster.

Both a childrens race and cake stall is planned at the event with Sarah F to manage the cake stall this year.

A request to members regarding marshalling for this event has been sent out but it was reported there has been a disappointingly low number of responses back.

Ongoing investigations are being made regarding the use of a trailer and road closure support.

Mike will be stepping back from his role leading this event due to moving out of area.

#### 11. **Publicity Report**

No representative present. However there has recently been a great response to the publicity the club has provided for the Great South Run in exchange for 2 free places for our members. Our chairman was thanked for generating the 'like and share' idea to not only advertise the GSR but also combine Solent Half advertising as part of this competition.

#### 12. **Diary**

No representative present, but diary remains up to date with future events being added.

#### 13. **Web**

No representative present.

Previously our web master has expressed the need for our website to be updated to be more future proof and share the administration.

The committee have received a quote for £350 to extract existing data from our website and import it into a Wordpress website allowing several members to then append new data and keep it up to date. The committee support proceeding with this. Although a clarification is required if this quote includes VAT.

The committee expressed an interest to view design options where available and have identified that key information such as the training schedule and the membership page be easily accessible.

#### 14. **Social**

It was reported there are no social events currently planned.

##### **Awards Ceremony:**

Trophies are now available for the awards ceremony, possible dates were discussed including after the Solent half or before a training session. The committee agreed the most appropriate event to now present these at for 2022 would be the Christmas Hardley Handicap event.

The committee discussed the return of the navigator hat award as this has in the past been a popular addition, although it was noted the current award for this may be need to be updated as the current hat may be beyond repair.

##### **Xmas Party:**

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> of December is the potential date suggested for our xmas party with Vibrant brewery being discussed as a possible venue.

Xmas Hardley Handicap:

18<sup>th</sup> December was agreed the date for the Xmas Hardley Handicap 2022. Following the same format (ie optional fancy dress / prizes) as previous years.

It was suggested this would be a good opportunity to raise funds for the Oakhaven converting £100-£1000 event we are part of. Therefore it was agreed a raffle could be held at this event with all proceeds going to the Oakhaven fundraising activity.

Future calendar dates:

It was noted in 2022 it has been difficult to find free dates, get adequate support for events, fill events to their max. In order to assist this, the committee will look at all key dates of our events ie, Awards ceremony, Xmas party, Hardley Handicap, Solent Half etc. and publicise a set yearly calendar.

Geoff Mills Trophy:

The committee supported a change to the current dates of the Geoff Mills trophy to be April to April from April 2023. Allowing a Spring / Summer awards ceremony.

15. **AOB**

- 1) Mick notified the committee that he was not available on the date of the Solent Half this year but currently had the race clock.
- 2) Dan raised the issue of a lack of course stakes available and the need to purchase some. It was notified the RR10 committee have previously purchased adequate numbers for all clubs to use and therefore there should not be a need to purchase our own.
- 3) Date / Location of next meeting  
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 7:30pm  
Dan house.

Meeting closed 8:25 pm

*Charmaine Bradford*

Minuted by Charmaine Bradford for Hardley Runners