



ILKLEY HARRIERS

Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: February 1st 2011		
Present : Paul Wood, Christine Matthews, Eddie Winslow, Neil Chapman, Henry Heavisides, Jacqui Weston, Jane Bryant, Malcolm Pickering, , Emma O'Looney, Paul Stephens		
Apologies: Diane Haggar		
Item		Action
1	Minutes of Meeting January 11th. Agreed (subject to minor correction of name)	
2	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>i) Coaches List. Paul S was combining information from the IH membership list with that from the Juniors web-site, and cross checking with UKA records. Final list should be available march/April</p> <p>ii) Race for Life: This clashed with our trail race. Unfortunately Race for Life was not registered through UKA and although discussions had been held with Bradford MDC the paperwork for the permit had not been completed. The trail race was likely to be moved to the bank holiday Monday.</p> <p>iii) Emma Barclay has indicated she wished to resign from the Committee. Paul S to confirm this and remind her of need for Ladies Fell reports.</p>	<p>PS</p> <p>PS</p>
3	<p>Running the Club</p> <p>1. Harrier of the Month. 7 Nominations received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Malcolm Pickering - XC Captaincy and results • Mark Mon-Williams – Pennine Bridleway relay organisation • Jane Bryant – sub 90m half marathon • Steve Coy – results at Brass Monkey and 5km time • Andrew Merrick – pacing at the Brass Monkey • Dave Wilby – Ireland fell race result • Ralph Tench – Welsh race result <p>And the HoMs were Jane and Steve.</p> <p>2. Matters arising from Officers and Captains reports. Emma noted that most subs were in and that membership stood at 346, with a handful more likely.</p> <p>3. Awards Evening Feedback. Positive feedback although the food once again "ran out" despite there being plenty. Consideration to be given to the food being served in future. Generally felt £10 would be an acceptable ticket price. Jacqui was thanked for her organisation of the event.</p> <p>4. 25th Anniversary. Jacqui agreed to publicize the design competition, and a separate group was needed to organise the proposed relay. Paul W to seek volunteers.</p>	<p>JW/P W</p>

	<p>5. Sue Ryder 10k. Agreed that in principle the club would support this subject to a suitable date and course being agreed.</p> <p>6. Relays. A decision from YVAA was still awaited regarding an Ilkley race. The Pennine Bridleway went well and 2 teams are required for the re-arranged Calderdale Way relay which is the same date as the Leeds half marathon.</p>	
4	<p>Developing the Club.</p> <p>i) Development Plan. Paul W had met with Lucy Birkenshaw regarding about the development plan in general, and coaching in particular. Still attempting to get a Leader in Running Fitness course put on specifically for IH and other local clubs.</p> <p>ii) Insurance Cover. This seemed to be an ongoing area of uncertainty. Paul S to investigate (Morgan Williams had dealt with previously).</p>	PW PS
AOB	i) Time Trial: agreed to hold on March 1st	HH/JB
TDP	March 1st 8.40pm ILTSC	

REPORTS

Chairman

It's been a busy time, with The Do and preparations for it. I'm pleased to say we now have separate trophies for male and female endurance runner - the female winner's trophy is a refurbishment of the original Paddy Hopkirk trophy atop a new base, the men's is new. I think The Do went well, but I wonder if we should aspire to something grander?

There has been some progress on Relays. The Social Gathering covered was most useful. Mark Mon-Williams came to the rescue to organise the Pennine Bridleway Relay team. We have been fortunate to get two entries in the Calderdale way Relays on 8 May and we WILL be using these to pioneer the 'new approach' to Relays - Alison E and perhaps Helene will help with that.

There have been some difficulties on the race organisation front. YVAA are still deliberating over whether to use our Lido Relays as the YVAA RR Champs; and I was 'gobsmacked' to hear that Race For Life plan an inaugural Ilkley event on the same day and in the same area as our Trail Race. To discuss ...

On a more positive note, entries are opening on 1 Feb for the Ilkley Moor fell race and I expect that to be another great Ilkley event.

Shirley and I met with Lucy Birkenshaw, our Club Coaching and Support Officer from England Athletics, a few weeks ago. We asked for more info about coach training and education, expressed

an interest in visits from 'flying coaches', and discussed the ClubMark file and our Development Plan. All good.

Mens Road

Not much to report regarding road races in January. The Brass Monkey half marathon was the most popular event for Ilkley Harriers on the road, with a fair number of PBs recorded at this fast race. We have decided not to enter a team for the Northern 12 stage relay, due to the difficulty of getting a strong enough team together. Work is ongoing to generate interest in the BMAF road relays in May, although currently we are only close to getting a full team in the M55 category.

Ladies Road

As previously stated by Henry, a quiet month on the roads, with only 4 women competing in the Brass Monkey. Hopefully this will improve as the racing gets more under way in the coming months.

Unfortunately, due to other commitments and pregnancies etc, there has been a poor response to the Northern road relays call-up. I will try again following the newsletter, but it may be 1 of those years when we can't get a team. We already have a team for the V35's in the BMAF and with a bit of cajoling I'm sure we can get a V45 team as well.

Mens XC

Since the last meeting there have been two Peco league races. the 3rd race at Bramley Fall saw a great turnout of 12 men running so placing us 4th team and 2nd vets team.

While the 4th event at STAC John Smeaton saw 9men racing. The last and final fixture is at Dane-field which should see a better turnout of harriers.

Ladies XC

I believe I reported on the Yorks Champs last month, but to re-iterate, 5 ladies completed a team in a respectable mid table 7th place, beating K & Craven AC.

Two further PECO races have taken place and again the turn-out was modest. In Race 4 we completed a team in 7th (last place in Prem' Div) and in Race 4 we squeezed up to 6th. We have managed to complete vets teams at most races despite the requirement of needing a V35, a V45 and a V55 to score. Race 3 put gave up 5th LVets and race 4 an excellent 3rd. It is very likely that we will drop from the Premier Div next year. Race 5 is on Otley Chevin so let's hope for a better turn out to round things off.

Mens Fell

Plenty of Harriers out to Stanbury Splash in January, with 2 men in the top 20, and a few more not too far behind them. It's always a strong field so this is good news for upcoming races. The Pennine Bridleway Relay team had a successful day, finishing well inside the top 10 in their category, and everyone seems to have enjoyed the outing. Mark Mon-Williams did a good job of organising, although once again he wasn't over-run with expressions of interest. Three Peaks entries opened (and closed) this month, and we've got 30+ Harriers entered (men & women) which should make for a great spectacle on race day. Entries for the first Champs race at Long Mynd have closed, and we've had a disappointing response, with just a handful of people intending to make the trip. Entries for some of the other races open in March so I'll be trying to promote those again via the forum, email and telephone badgering!!

Junior Report

At the third PECO event at Kirkstall we had 15 juniors compete and I am sure Malcolm could fill you in on the numbers running at John Smeaton in the fourth PECO event in the meeting; at the Soreen junior Fell races we had 19 race. 7 juniors were selected for the U11 West Yorkshire Sportshall Athletics teams which is probably our best result ever. 397 children raced at the Ashlands

XC event on Saturday.

Tonight we are hosting a FUNDamentals in Movement course on behalf of EA and sportscoach at the tennis club. We have 19 attendees mainly from Ilkley but a couple from Bingley and K&C. On Friday we are launching our 14-18 Volunteers award scheme which we have managed to gain an innovations grant of £300 from EA to put into place. All other activities are going well.

Membership

Renewals are now more or less sorted. We have more lapses than last year with 32 last year and 48 this year, although we still may get a few more cheques in. Membership currently stands at 346 and we had 10 new members join in October, 4 in November, 2 in December and 6 in January.