

## **Norwich Road Runners Committee Meeting February 28th 2017**

**Present:** Gary Cooper (chairman), Mark Betts, Nicky Dowson, Paul Dowson, Kathy Easter, Nick Gurney, Stacey Harper, Beryl Knowles, Rachel Miller, James McFarlane

**Apologies:** Baz Hipwell, Mick Powell,

### **Coaching update - Steve and Neil**

- Track sessions have been very successful with positive feedback from all.
- Although NRR funded the 5 evenings, there was some feeling that further sessions could be self funding – this to be considered.
- Steve and Neil thought the sessions had been successful in terms of improving confidence and enthusiasm and hopefully, this will be seen in performances.
- Steve and Neil are keen to hear members' views before deciding on future coaching plans.
- Neil and Steve are booked onto Level 3 coaching course – this involves a good deal of work and they will qualify in September.
- Four people – Luke Guy, Chris Mickleburgh, James McFarlane and Julz Williams – are doing Level 1 Coaching on March 12<sup>th</sup>.

Neil and Steve left the meeting

### **Social committee update – Steve and Victoria Utting**

- Next meeting is Tuesday March 7<sup>th</sup>
- Future events – Curry Night on March 17<sup>th</sup> - details on Facebook
- Easter Fun Run on April 6<sup>th</sup> - Burger Van booked. Christmas venue – The Library
- Promotion of a different park run venue each month with coffee/chat opportunity. We have been asked to provide pacers for Catton Park so that will be the focused venue for March
- The committee are putting together a calendar of events to fit round race meetings. Nick will put this on the website when it is done.
- The Social Committee is responsible for running the refreshments at Broadland Half. Gary recommended they spoke to Elies about what they need etc.

Victoria and Steve left the meeting

### **Junior update – Alma Simmonds**

- Continued concerns about a Junior coach and a recent discussion between him, Gary and Beryl has not resolved the concerns. Following discussion, the committee asked Beryl to contact UKA at the earliest opportunity to seek advice.
- Alma asked that a Junior Committee be set up and had sent out letters to parents, inviting interest. This committee would help with events etc.
- Beryl will be a member of the Junior Committee and act as a link between it and the Management Committee.
- 55 children are now registered.
- Future events – Broadland and Wroxham Junior races, Ekiden relay.
  - Some discussion about putting a 'top limit' on Junior membership to maintain appropriate adult:child ratio and quality coaching. No decision reached.

Alma left the meeting

### **Safeguarding Policy**

- The committee agreed to endorse the Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy subject to the amendments received.

### **Terms of reference for sub committees**

- The committee agreed to endorse the terms of reference.
- Beryl will talk to Alma about these and how they affect the proposed Junior committee

### **Level 3 coaching funding**

- A query had been made about the club paying for Level 3 coaching qualification. It was proposed that a maximum of 3 members could be funded each year, subject to their application being vetted and supported by the head coaches. Nick to talk to those involved.

### **Forthcoming races**

- Broadland Half – discussions about arrangements for marshalling, signage, and refreshments – all matters are in hand.
- Wroxham 5k series – entries open and selling fast. All arrangements are in hand.

### **Membership and Membership Mojo**

- The new system has trialled well and it was agreed to adopt the Mojo system. Nick will cancel Pay pal subscriptions to enable payment to be paid through the new system.

### **Communications Update**

- Rachel is doing race reports and hoping to re-start interviews with club members.
- She is raising NRR profile with an Instagram account, inviting members to contribute to a 'Reason to Run' and looking at a Radio Norwich interview when we have a significant event.
- Mark Ring's family will let us know how they would like to present the cheque to EEAMB
- Some discussion about how to generate more social interaction in the bar area – Rachel will speak to the Social Committee about her proposals which she would like to action as soon as possible.

### **Club Kit**

- Nicky had circulated the designs that Theresa had sent – more discussion needed.

### **Round Norfolk Relay**

- James suggested that the mixed team be drawn from the ballot and Dave Allen is the team captain.

**Sewell Park Centre**

- This needs further discussion.

**ANRRC Meeting**

- Nick will attend on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

Meeting closed at 10pm. Next meeting – March 28th

**Expenditure for February**

Entry for XC runners	84.00
SEAA unattached fees	142.00
First self drive mini bus to XC	2502.00
T-print (T-shirts for Broadland Half)	
Medals for all (Broadland Half)	1254.24
Broadland Half Toilet hire	240.00
SMP Electronics - repair field lights	168.12
Medals for all (XC shields)	224.54
Ashley Ads Ltd (Broadland boards)	201.60
<b>Total</b>	<b>£4,816.50</b>