



Annual General Meeting

Date: Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2013

Attendees: Open forum for members. Chair: Bob Pringle (2013 acting chairman)

Apologies for absence: Andrea Rodgers (2013 club secretary)

<p><b>Minutes of the last meeting:</b>          Proposals last year to move to a rolling-membership year and to offer annual subscriptions which include all training sessions were halted due to the poor performance of the membership website administration. This is being addressed by the existing committee and changes to the annual subscription may be possible in 2014.</p> <p>Constitution changes. Constitutional changes were discussed throughout the 2013 committee year and were presented for voting at this AGM.</p> <p>Votes of thanks were proposed for Matthew Hartley, Vicky Moorhead, Dave Harris and Mick Clarkson in recognition of their respective contributions.</p>	
<p><b>Financial Report</b></p> <p>Treasurer's report - Andrew Kitchen presented the financial status of the club to the AGM.</p> <p>Discussion regarding the cost of training at Ponds Forge, attendance numbers at all coached sessions. Should the club make a profit or reinvest in facilities/coaching? In general the quality of Ponds Forge as a venue is considered to outweigh the financial viability of the session.</p> <p>Once the club and new membership administrator are familiar with the new membership website, opportunity to develop a long term strategy around different grades of membership based on annual fees, eg a platinum membership where all sessions would be free because charges for coaching would be included up-front as at Manchester Triathlon Club.</p>	<p>AK</p>
<p><b>Membership Report</b></p> <p>Dave Harris gave his last statement as membership officer about current numbers which have doubled in the last decade. The junior section has risen by 70% in 2012/13. The presentation identified trends in age group and gender composition.</p>	

<b>Kit Report</b>		
<p>Ady Dench brought the AGM up to date with the position on suppliers and the design of new kit.</p> <p>There was a sale of old stock at the AGM to facilitate the introduction of new kit from the Winter/Spring season.</p>		
<b>Election of Officers for 2014</b>		
Chairman – Sylvia Yates	Membership officer - Phil Smales	
Secretary – Andrea Rodgers	Publicity officer - Luke Carter	
Treasurer – Andrew Kitchen	Resource officer – Guy Wreggitt	
Head coach – Jon Staniforth	Junior organiser – Sarah Alton	
Kit and event organiser – Ady Dench	Internal Communications/website - vacant	
Social secretary – Nancy Skinner		
<b>Changes to the Constitution</b>		
The revised constitution was reviewed and unanimously agreed.		
<b>Any Other Business</b>		
<p>Discussion regarding the possibility of organising an annual club Duathlon,</p> <p>Viability of sponsorship opportunities for the club,</p> <p>Attendance at the national club relays event would benefit from a dedicated organiser for the year 2014. Will be managed by the 2014 committee.</p> <p>The demand for a base for the club,</p> <p>The availability of kit and the urgent requirement for an improved website. Both these matters are currently in-hand with the existing committee.</p>		
<b>Date of the next AGM</b>		
14/11/2014		