

YTRRC Committee Meeting

Wednesday 8th January 2025

Jo Samuel's house, Yeovil
7.00pm

Present: Steve Warren, Phil McQuaid, Jo Samuel, David Mears, Tim Willis, Denise Byrd, Lesley Nesbitt, Linda Membury, Simon Rowbottom, Adam Hawkins, Graham Still, Guy Williams

A G E N D A

Apologies – Simon Rowbottom, Mel Dodge, June Moule

Minutes of last meeting – approved by PM, proposed and seconded by GW.

Matters Arising

Chairperson's report – Steve Warren

- Santa Dash went well. Made almost £300
- SW noted that in January we needed to go through club policies, select venue for AGM and date, check in terms of committee members who wanted to continue to stand, club constitution etc. AH noted that on the EA site, we are required to upload updated policies such as club constitution, inclusion policy and privacy policy.
- Club insurance will be renewed on 1st April, next club races (Easter Bunny and Yeovilton 5k) are after this so we should be ok for insurance purposes. TW has completed risk assessment for the Easter Bunny. TW is hopeful that he might be able to get onto the keys list for Yeovilton. GW has about 200 medals for the Easter bunny, they have 2020 ribbons on however he also has other ribbons that could be used. There was a discussion about whether we would just limit medals for the first 200 runners or whether we would order more medals. GW to open entries on full on sport. GW noted that Timing Monkey can do entries as well.
- Yeovil Marathon club ballot draw. The following people had entered into the ballot: Amanda Travers, Ashley Gingell, Debbie Rennard, Kelly Rowsell, Paul Cable, Taryn Monks and Tim Willis. **The first person to be drawn was Ashley Gingell and the second person was Kelly Rowsell.** Third place was Amanda Travers, fourth place was Tim Willis, fifth place was Taryn Monks, sixth place was Debbie Rennard and Paul Cable was 7th.
- AGM – it was agreed to hold this at the football club provisionally on Tuesday 6th May. If the 6th wasn't possible then it was agreed to look at Tuesday 13th May as a possible date.
- It was confirmed that all current committee members were prepared to stand.

Secretary report – Angela Dobbs

- Nothing to report

Treasurer's report – Simon Rowbottom

- Nothing to report

Membership report – Adam Hawkins

- 222 first claim members according to EA plus 5 pending. AH noted that there were a few who had not renewed which were discussed

Club Captain – Graham Still/Linda Membury

- GS asked if his name and number could be added onto the weekly email to mention track.
- Wessex Ridgeway 18 May 2025 – post has already been put up in relation to this. GS is happy to organise but won't be taking part. GS asked if the club would be prepared to pay for fuel and transport as they have done previously. It was agreed that the club would pay for fuel and transport. It was noted that runners would need to recon the route in advance themselves and be prepared.
- T-shirts and hoodies are nearly all completed. GS still has T-shirts to hand out and will then change to the new company in Yeovil.
- Track – still getting good numbers at track – 40 last week. GS has noted that he will be taking out his own insurance as he is now taking people out himself and writing training plans as a coach.
- LM thanked Vicki and Jack for doing the scavenger hunt. It was agreed to get them something to say thank you for organising the prizes for the hunt.
- North Dorset Village Marathon Relay – it was agreed that LM would look at putting teams together for this.

Kit – Graham Still

- It was noted that we had a good number of people who had requested a new club vest.

Championship secretary – Lesley Nesbitt

- LN has updated the list to remove Beer Blazer 5 mile. LN will look at other 5 mile races that could be used in place of this one.

Webmaster – Guy Williams

- Nothing to report

Data Protection/Welfare Officer – Dave Mears

- Nothing to report.

Pub and club runs – Phil McQuaid

- Pub runs have been published up to 30 March.

AOB

- DM – noted that our rules state that when running on road, people should be in single file. It was agreed to remove this. It was also agreed to remove the requirement for runners to wear light or fluorescent coloured clothing during daylight. During evening/dark night runs, runners should be in fluorescent and reflective clothing and wearing a head/body torch or carry a torch where appropriate. It was agreed that run leaders should try to encourage runners to do this.
- GS – it was agreed that GS would continue to post on the non-members page about things that the group has been doing.
- PM – in previous years we have paid £250 to the Yeovilton Sports Fund. It was agreed to continue with this.

- TW has confirmed that he has spoken to people regarding sponsorship for the 5k series. RNAS members will be offered a discount for taking part in the 5k series.
- Town Tree Trail – AH and SW have met with them; it will go ahead on the proviso that it would be open up for members of the public. It was also agreed that members of YTRRC would be able to visit for free. Ah confirmed that over the last two years we have raised over £3000. Some has been given to the pre-school however there is enough money left in the account that we would be able to pay for the bridge repairs and other items. Date for race is May 21st 2025. Primary Schools cross country is now on 10th February but not sure about venue. Showground is out of use until after March. The following one on 3rd March will be at Aldon Hill. AH noted that there was only one runner at the Cross-Country event at Merryfield. It was noted that we don't get notifications of this in a timely manner.

The next meeting will be Wednesday 5th February 2025 at Abbey Manor Community Hall at 7.00pm. This will be open to club members to attend if they wish to however If anyone has any issues/questions they would like to raise, then they must email them through to the chair or secretary, nothing new will be discussed on the night. AOB will be covered by committee members only.