

# RFRC Committee Meeting Minutes

5<sup>th</sup> June 2013 – The Kings Arms

**Chair:** Geoff Eggleston (GE)

**Present:** Phil Wilson (PW), Kate Mackenzie (KM), Ron Foord (RF), Toni Vernelli (TV), Liz Williams (LW), Chris Reah (CR), Mike Nicholls (MN), Graham Strang (GS), Sandra Williams (SW)

**Apologies:** John Scanlon (JS), Peter Hall (PH) Rich Palmer (RP), Mike Sharpe (MS), Dave Loader (DL)

## 1. Approval of last Minutes:

The minutes were approved with the following points:

- i. GE to investigate further a club run in the Great Wood possibly with a barbeque at the end.
- ii. Website – GE criticised the lack of information on the site and will give PW a list of updates. Further note: PW has opened this discussion up to the rest of the committee for suggestions.
- iii. Constitution Revision sub-committee has been formed and will report back to the committee with a deadline of September 2013
- iv. A disciplinary procedure was presented by GE and is included as an addenda to these minutes.
- v. Long Run Meadow Park Run. The club will need to commit to organising this once per month but with sufficient club members on a rota this does need to be too much of a commitment. The run takes place all year round but needs very little organisation. Timing is by barcode reader and there is no mass start. PW to draft something for Facebook and will announce next Wednesday (12<sup>th</sup> June) to gauge the interest from the club members.

## 2. Cheque Signatories

- These have been decided as GS, GE, RF, PH, MN, JS and TV.
- All signatories need to go to HSBC to complete the necessary forms etc. Martin Axon will be removed as a signatory.

## 3. Jan and Group 5.

- CR and GE had a meeting with Jan following the receipt of an official complaint from her. The following is an extract of the email received from CR about the meeting.
  - i. There is a back history to the story where on a number of occasions recently group 5 have been out for longer distances and times than they were supposed to, seemingly due to either the routes being poor selections or making wrong turns
  - ii. On 22nd May what is not in dispute is that somehow the group ended out for nearly 9 miles in a time of 1:45
  - iii. Jan has filed a complaint about that night, she alleges that the route was poorly chosen, dangerous and Eliza didn't lead the group properly or enforce group rules. The version is far more detailed than Mike Sharpe's comments (who was

running with that group) so Geoff will proceed with investigating by discussing Jan's complaint with mike when he is back from holiday

- iv. At some point Jan decided to take issue with Eliza, the full details of the conversation are not known but she told Eliza that she was going to "rip her f\*\*king head off"
- v. A complaint was filed against Jan, she has apologised in writing. Chris Reah and Geoff Eggleston discussed the matter with her prior to the run on the 5th June and made it clear that any repeat will most likely result in her being asked to leave the club.
- vi. Chris Reah then ran with Group 5 on the 5th June. The group were running a slow pace of 12 min miles, no deputies were present and Eliza was for some reason lagging behind (which is according to other group members uncharacteristic), Eliza did not demonstrate control of the group. It is Chris Reah's opinion that Eliza would benefit from some form of mentoring to help support her.

#### **4. Disciplinary Panel/Procedure**

This was drafted by Geoff and is an addenda to these minutes. The panel will be comprised of:

**Chairman** – Geoff Eggleston

**Vice Chairman** – Peter Hall

**Member** – Kate MacKenzie

**Member** – Ron Foord

**Member** – Chris Reah

Note from the chair: in order for this to work properly this procedure and contact details of all committee members must be made available on the club website – not Facebook.

#### **5. Time Trial**

- The next time trial will take place on 26<sup>th</sup> June.
- We will need approximately 8 marshals, one time keeper and two time recorders plus at least one marshal at the finish area. Usually one of the early marshals can double as a finish line marshal. GE, Cherry Eggleston, SW and several others offered to marshal.
- We have four vouchers from Tony Pryce from a previously aborted time trial which we will give as prizes. These will be first man and lady and most improved man and lady from the last time trial.
- Prizes will be awarded only to club members.
- Times will be published as usual on the forum with differences between this and the last time trial.

#### **6. AOB**

- Social – Barn Dance will be arranged and JS is keen to put on another quiz.
- Club Banner – Two designs have been proposed. One by RF and one by MS. RF's design was approved and authorised. RF to see if a discount is available for two banners of the same design. A budget of £400 maximum was approved.

The next Committee Meeting is booked for 7<sup>th</sup> August