



Annual General Meeting – 15th March 2021

Minutes

1. Attendees & Apologies

- The meeting was attended by; Frank Stephenson, Steven Foster, Louise Foster, Samantha Keogh, Gillian Kemp, Mark Ellis, Sue Crampton, Ben Crampton, Gwen Gill, Louise McLellan, Tim Ong & Claire Gowdy.
- There were no apologies received.

2. Chairman's Report

- The Chairman read his report to the meeting and a copy is shown as an Appendix to the minutes.

3. Treasurer's Report

- The Treasurer talked through her report and a copy is shown as an Appendix to the minutes.

4. Secretary's Report

- The Secretary read his report to the meeting and a copy is shown as an Appendix to the minutes.

5. Constitutional Changes (all to be voted on)

- None to be made.

6. 2020/2021 Membership Fees

- It was proposed that membership fees remain at £25 per person, plus those wishing to compete need to pay an additional £15 to be registered as competing athletes with England Athletics (applies to those in U13 age category and above) – this was agreed.
- It was also proposed that those who had been members in 2020 would pay a reduced fee of £15 per person as a thank you gesture as we had less training sessions due to lockdown – this was also agreed.

7. Election of Club Committee Members

It was noted that there had been no nominations for any of the committee positions. So, the committee for the coming year will be :-

- Chairman – Frank Stephenson
- Secretary – Sue Crampton

- Treasurer – Gillian Kemp
- Female Welfare Officer – Samantha Keogh
- Male Welfare Officer – Steven Foster
- Membership Secretary – Lesley Foster
- Coaching Co-ordinator – Steven Foster
- Club Development Officer – Mark Ellis

8. Any Other Business

The following comments were taken from the floor :-

- **Mark Ellis** – The club will be piloting the Superteams competition format in partnership with England Athletics. Superteams is a format based on tracking improvement in athlete pb's for U9, U11 & U13 athletes across 3 or 4 in club competitions. A funding bid for equipment to hold the competitions and for officials equipment has been submitted to England Athletics, but we may not know the result until late April and we could do with the equipment before then. It was agreed that the equipment would be bought in advance so that we have the equipment and the EA grant could still be paid if we're successful (and as EA suggested we made a bit, we're very confident). Mark reported that he'd had discussions with England Athletics and Polytan on the cost of building a tartan track and the pricing would be shared when it was received. Polytan have developed a cheaper conversion for cinder tracks to be upgraded without needing new foundations to be dug, which provides a big saving.
- **Ben Crampton** – wanted to thank everyone for their efforts in a difficult year.
- **Tim Ong** – also wanted to thank everyone, especially for the medals and the container fit out.
- **Louise McLellan** – wanted to thank everyone, especially for the medals.
- **Samantha Keogh** – wanted to thank everyone for their support, especially Steve Foster for his help in her achieving her coaching licence. The medals had also been very much appreciated.
- **Claire Gowdy** – Sian is very much looking forward to the NEYDL & the medals were a great idea.
- **Gwen Gill** – added that the medals had gone down very well, even with the older athletes.
- **Sue Crampton** – wanted to thank everyone for their efforts & said the medals had been a brilliant gesture to the club's athletes.
- **Lesley Foster** – wanted to thank the Coaches for keeping the club & training going.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next Committee Meeting will take place on Wednesday 14th April at 6.30pm via Teams.