



Annual General Meeting – 2nd March 2020 Minutes

1. Attendees & Apologies

- The meeting was attended by; Frank Stephenson, Steven Foster, Louise Foster, Samantha Keogh, Gillian Kemp, Mark Ellis, Gwen Gill, Louise McLellan & 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)

- To consider reducing the required quorum at the AGM to be reduced from 10 to 5 people. The vote was unanimous, so the change will 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 £16 to be registered as competing athletes with England Athletics (applies to those in U13 age category and above) – this was agreed and the competing athlete fees will rise by £1 due to the increase in EA registration fees.

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 – Mark Ellis
- Treasurer – Gillian Kemp

- Female Welfare Officer – Samantha Keogh
- Male Welfare Officer – Steven Foster
- Membership Secretary – Lesley Foster
- Coaching Co-ordinator – Steven Foster

8. Any Other Business

The following questions were taken from the floor :-

- **Will we be producing a competition list and what will we focus on** – Yes was the answer and the main focus for Cross Country will be NE Harrier League with the Track & Field focus being on the NE Youth Development League plus the North East Youth Grand Prix for the younger athletes. The website will be updated and information circulated to parents when its available. It was also agreed that a parent availability option be added to the NEYDL form.
- **Do we need to review the members welcome pack** – it was suggested that athletes should decide on their behaviour standards, but these need to be within the guidelines set down by England Athletics.
- **Will Athlete of the Month return** – Yes and an award will be made for February as we've had a lot of athletes competing in various events during the month.
- **Run & Revise Event** – this will take place on Sunday 3rd May and the track needs to be booked (Frank to arrange for 10am).
- **Training Break** – it was suggested that we had a training break as the club volunteer generally work a 50 week year. The week of the May Half Term was a possible break time on the availability of volunteers, with possibly a break in the school summer holidays too.
- **Track Etiquette Reminder** – a reminder on track etiquette needs to be delivered as we head back outside so that we don't have any incidents on the track. The younger athletes in particular need to be reminded to not cut in as quickly and not to step on and off the track.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next Committee Meeting will take place on Monday 20th April at 6.30pm in the Upstairs Classroom in the Sportshall at Framwellgate School.