

Chairman's Report - 21 November 2011

Committee

A warm welcome to everyone. It is a great privilege for me to report on the club and its activities over the past 12 months. To the Committee Members who gave up so much of their time and skills in making this a successful year. Thank you. Also to all of the members who have contributed in so many different ways to supporting the club, we, the committee thank you all very much.

A very quick highlights and forward look from me

Membership

- We have about just over 200 + (150 in 2010) registered members at this point in time and continue to grow.
- Further increase in new runners. Martin has continued a great job of co-ordinating group leaders. We have increased our group leader capacity and will continue to do so over coming year. It is also hoped that by February next year we will have the club's first UKA qualified Endurance coach, with the hope that more will follow.

Running

Club Races

- The club again hosted its 3 annual races – all successful in terms of significantly increased attendance and improved sponsorship. Both the 20 miler and Hellraiser again attracted significant praise from participants - quite rightly acknowledging how well these races had been organised and supported. I'd like to take this opportunity to the race organisers for their fantastic efforts. I also want to extend a big thank you to all members and their families who gave so generously of their time and expertise to put these events together.
- The 10K race will be back to its Easter Sunday slot in 2012 and has been included as a reserve race for NSRRA so we will need plenty of support as this will mean that the entry field is likely to increase significantly.

Social Events

Highlighted efforts of those involved in organising the following successful events

- Anniversary Run SCW - Charlie
- Anniversary Bash – Lesley, Gill, Sue in particular
- End of Summer Run

General

- Our challenge now is to maintain our continued development, to ensure we are able to provide our members with and safe and organised running experience. This will however require greater commitment from more experienced club members, so if you have the time please try and get involved helping lead groups on training nights – this will be something the new committee will be looking to continue to facilitate

Conclusion

In conclusion, as always it has been an honour and a privilege to serve the Club as Chairman over the last 4 years and would like to encourage all members to continue to support the running of the club through participation and support of its various events.

Thank You