

## **Chairman's Report**

### **Committee**

- Alasdair thanked the Committee Members who gave up so much of their time and skills in making this a successful year and supporting him.
- On behalf of the committee he also thanked all the members who have contributed in so many different ways supporting the club.

### **Membership**

- He reported that club continues to grow having just over 250 registered members at this point in time with continued increase in new runners.
- He acknowledged the contributions of Martin, Colin and now Andrea as they continue to actively support these new runners
- Have increased the number of qualified Run Leaders to support the increase in membership and now need to focus on working on co-ordinating the group better – a task for the next year.
- You'll be aware I have qualified as a UKA Coach and am now into second quarter of specific coaching sessions on Tuesday night.

### **Running**

- As always we participate in strength within North Staffs, Cheshire races and much farther a field.
- Unfortunately we placed second in the NSRRA men's team competition – we have to give others the chance occasionally I suppose
- Please to say however that the men finally won the Cheshire GP with our ladies picking up a well deserved 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- This included some notable individual successes in these fixtures which we'll celebrate at awards dinner in January, together with those who have competed in our own club and off road championships.
- A growing number of our runners have excelled in running and in multi disciplined events. Well done to all of them.

### **Club Races**

- The club again hosted its 3 annual races – all successful in terms of attendance and sponsorship.
- 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.
- Like to just make a plea on behalf of race organisers that for next year we need as much support as possible for all members in term of marshalling etc., This is vital to make sure our races are run smoothly and safely
- The 10K race has been included in the Cheshire Champs for 2013 so we will need plenty of support as this will mean that the entry field will increase significantly.

- Please note that we have agreed to move the date of the 20 miler to 15<sup>th</sup> September to link in with Autumn marathons e.g. Chester

### **Social Events**

- I'd like to add to Mike's thanks to Lesley, Sue, Gill for all their hard work on organising social activities during the year.

### **General**

- As you will know each year we nominate a charity to support – would welcome any nominations for next year in time for the new committee to make a decision in January
- You will have seen from reverse of Agenda that as a result of increases in UKA subscriptions - more on this later in the agenda

### **Conclusion**

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