



## **SOUTH CHESHIRE HARRIERS**

### **Management Committee Meeting - Minutes**

**Monday 7<sup>TH</sup> September 2009- 7.30pm in Bar Lounge at the Vagrants, Willaston**

#### **Present**

Mike Cutler, Alasdair Dyde, Steve Whincup, Mel Cole, Mike Hatton, Simon walker, Charles Rowlands, Carol Godfrey, Andy Painter, Kedren Elliot, Guests: Sarah Friday :England Athletics , Gemma Cutler, Lesley Oldfield.

#### **Apologies**

Bill Ferguson

#### **Matters Arising**

##### **Sarah Friday- England Athletics**

Sarah spoke to the committee about her role in England Athletics and how she could help the club. She said that she realized that the Harriers were a senior club and her remit was to bring in Clubmark in athletics.

The scheme was being reintroduced with both Junior and Senior schemes being available.

The Senior scheme would be started in January 2010.

Charlie Rowlands asked how would Clubmark benefit the Harriers.

Sarah said that there would be grants available to boost coaching etc but the England Athletics network would probably help without Clubmark anyway.

Sarah said that the club could benefit with the purchase of equipment.

Sarah also commented on the fact that a roving coach could come to the club and give a session/sessions on specific areas of running as regards to training, nutrition etc.

### **New Starters Pack**

Lesley Oldfield handed out the proposed New Starters Pack to the committee and told the committee about any new members coming to the club, not knowing a lot about the set-up.

The pack is intended for both runners turning up and running with the club for the first time and also as a support for runners who might be intimidated by the thought of joining a running club.

The Committee agreed that the content of the pack was appropriate and just needed the information expanding.

All of the members involved agreed to add their own information, where needed, and it was also agreed that this added information should be sent to Lesley by Week Commencing 21<sup>st</sup> September 2009.

### **Hellraiser Update**

Gemma Cutler told the committee that the race was going according to plan so far and the Fun run was going ahead as well.

The police and the Red Cross had been informed, and the Race Licence had been obtained.

There would be a bottle of beer (to be decided) for all 9 mile finishers.

Gemma said that she was going to go around the sports halls and gyms, advertising the race.

John Clemens is going to be the race referee and Ken Marshal will be doing the drinks station at the church.

Gemma said that they had a new fun run route ready of approximately 1 mile.

Mike Hatton has agreed to co-ordinate the marshals for the main race.

### **End of Summer Run**

The end of summer run is provisionally booked for September 27<sup>th</sup> and will start and end at the Star Inn at Acton.

The pub can put on a warm dinner if required.

Carol Godfrey will co-ordinate the different groups of runners. Starting time will be 11 o'clock with a finish time according to the relative groups.

### **Annual General Meeting**

The date set for the AGM is 16<sup>th</sup> November 2009 at 7.30 PM.

There will be a chip night as well.

### **Membership Secretary**

Steve Whincup said there were 123 members in the club now.

Steve also mentioned about the Cheshire Cross Country Finals next year. The date will be 9<sup>th</sup> January 2010

He said that he would be looking for volunteers to marshal and assist.

### **Club Secretary Update**

Mike Cutler passed a couple of items to Steve Whincup.

### **Social Secretary Update.**

Charlie will arrange a Curry Night for the 8<sup>th</sup> October 2009

### **Race Manager Update**

Mike Hatton said that the club was now in the first division of the North Staffs Cross Country League and would need as many runners as possible to run in the fixtures.

We will also have a woman's team running and in both races (male and female) the club does need at least the minimum numbers required to ensure that the teams do count over the season.

The times for the races have now changed (females – 13.30, males- 14.05)

### **Any Other Business**

Charles said that the Edinburgh Marathon was a week earlier next year and there was a need to discuss the date of the 20 mile race next year.

Charles also said that there should be a decision made as to what the cost of a vest should be?

Steve Whincup suggested that all vests should be charged at £10.

The date of the next meeting is 12<sup>th</sup> October at the Vagrants (1930 hrs)

The meeting closed at 9.15pm

