



## **SOUTH CHESHIRE HARRIERS**

### **Management Committee Meeting – Minutes.**

**Minutes of 12<sup>th</sup> October 2009-19.30 hours in the Bar Lounge at the Vagrants.**

**Present:** Alasdair Dyde, Steve Whincup, Mike Cutler, Mel Cole, Leslie Oldfield, Mike Hatton, Kedren Elliot, Carol Godfrey, Simon Walker, Bill Ferguson, Charles Rowlands.

**Apologies:** Andy Painter

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

#### **Matters Arising**

Leslie Oldfield brought along the “new members pack” and pointed out that there were gaps which needed additional information (contact phone number and email address for the club for initial contacts).

Carol suggested that a paragraph should be included stressing that new members do not have to commit themselves to running at the club every club night- only when they feel they want to. Carol also suggested that the booklet would be better in A5 format, something which was agreed by the committee.

Carol was asked to obtain quotes for printing of the booklet in A5 format.

Alasdair, on behalf of the committee, thanked Leslie for all of her hard work producing the booklet.

#### **Hellraiser Update**

Mike Cutler said that he had been at the Craft fair at Stapeley Water Gardens to hand out flyers/forms for the race.

He said Phil Cliff was looking after the course and was dealing with problems, which should be eradicated before the race date.

Mike said that Photographer Bryan Dale was photographing the course and putting an “interactive” map on his website.

The Horseshoe pub had been notified about the finish area and the police had also been told.

The Red Cross had been booked and there would be two personnel in attendance.

Mike Hatton had 28 volunteer marshals and Kedren said that her partner, Matt, also had approximately 12 volunteers.

Mike Cutler agreed to speak to various farmers regarding electric fences and stiles.

Current entrants stand at 71 pre-entered.

## **20 Mile Race**

Charles Rowlands told the meeting about the date of this year’s race being 3 weeks before the Edinburgh Marathon- something which he would like to happen next year, given the huge increase in numbers entering.

Next year, he said, Edinburgh had moved to an earlier date and three weeks prior would bring our race into conflict with the Uttoxeter Half, which would mean a clash with North Staffs.

Charles told the committee that North Staffs had dropped the race from their calendar.

Charles said that he was leaning towards holding the race on the 25<sup>th</sup> April 2009, which was the same date as the London Marathon.

## **AGM/London Marathon Draw**

AGM is on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2009 at 19.30 hours.

Mike Cutler has said that the club will have 3 London Marathon Places available to “Rejected entries”.

There will be no “any other Business” in the AGM.

### **Awards Dinner/Club Member of the Year Voting**

Kedren Elliot is taking over the running of the annual Awards dinner, which is on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2010 at Crewe Golf Club, Haslington.

### **Membership Update**

Steve Whincup told the meeting that the club currently have 132 paid-up members

### **Club Secretary Update**

Mike Cutler handed out various forms and receipts.

### **Social Secretary Update**

Charlie told the committee that the last Curry night was a success and the next one was scheduled for November 5<sup>th</sup>.

Carol told the meeting that the End of the Summer Run was a success with 22 members running and then eating at the Star Inn at Acton.

### **Race Manager Update**

Mike Hatton told the meeting that the club finished second in the Cheshire Grand Prix series and he handed over a cheque for £50 to the meeting.

Mike said that he cross country season had begun but there were more races to come as well as the Northerns and the Nationals.

Mike said that the club looked like retaining their Men’s title in the North Staffs Road Running Association league, with one race still to run.

## **Any Other Business**

Steve Whincup said that he had course distances worked out for the forthcoming Cheshire Championship Cross Country in January.

Entry forms will be out next week.

Charles said that the Technical T-shirts have been ordered.

Mike Hatton told the committee that he had had a request to consider a “most improved runner” award at the presentation evening?

The date of the next meeting will be 9<sup>th</sup> November 2009 at 19.30 hours

The meeting closed at 21.20 hours