

Clayton-le-Moors Harriers – Proposed Constitution Changes 2014

Existing	Proposed
<p>5. MANAGEMENT</p> <p>(a) The Club shall elect annually a President, who shall preside over Club affairs. The President will be an ex-officio member of all Club Committees, and will have full voting rights at all meetings. At any Annual General Meeting the President may “chair” that meeting or may delegate this function to the elected Chair of the Club. The Club shall elect annually the following “Officers of the Club”: Chair, Secretary and Treasurer; these shall be the nominated signatories for Club Accounts. The Club shall also elect annually a Committee comprising of: The Officers of the Club and the following post holders: Men’s Road and Trail Captain, Men’s Cross Country Captain, Men’s Fell Captain, Ladies’ Road and Trail Captain, Ladies’ Cross Country Captain, Ladies’ Fell Captain, Junior Organiser, Media Manager, Kit Manager, Membership Secretary, Social Secretary, and not more than two other persons. Any member may hold more than one position if the Annual General Meeting so decides. The Committee may elect annually persons to assist in the day-to-day running of the Club, with responsibility for a specific aspect of Club affairs: e.g. Race Organisers, Statisticians, Trophy Custodian etc.</p>	<p>5. MANAGEMENT</p> <p>(a) The Club shall elect annually <u>from its membership</u> a President, who shall preside over Club affairs. The President will be an ex-officio member of all Club Committees, and will have full voting rights at all meetings. At any Annual General Meeting the President may “chair” that meeting or may delegate this function to the elected Chair of the Club. <u>The Club shall elect annually from its membership the following “Officers of the Club”: Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.</u> The Club shall elect annually <u>from its membership</u> a Committee comprising of: The Officers of the Club and the following post holders: <u>Membership Secretary, Media Manager, Social Secretary, Junior Organiser (two posts), Ladies’ Road and Trail Captain, Ladies’ Cross Country Captain, Ladies’ Fell Captain, Men’s Road and Trail Captain, Men’s Cross Country Captain, Men’s Fell Captain, Race Promotions Co-ordinator, and one other person who has not served on the committee in both of the preceding two years.</u> The Club shall elect annually <u>an Auditor who need not be a member.</u> Any member may hold more than one position if the Annual General Meeting so decides. The Committee may elect annually <u>members</u> to assist in the day-to-day running of the Club, with responsibility for a specific aspect of Club affairs: e.g. Race Organisers, Statisticians, Trophy Custodian etc.</p>
<p>6. MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>(d) A Full membership application shall not be accepted from any person who, because of membership of another athletic club existing within a radius of twenty miles from Clayton Le Moors, is not eligible for first claim or additional first claim membership of the Club. First claim eligibility is defined by UK Athletics Rules.</p>	<p>6. MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>(d) A Full membership application shall not be accepted from any person aged <u>over 17 years</u> who, because of membership of another athletic club existing within a radius of twenty miles from <u>Clayton-le-Moors</u>, is not eligible for first claim or additional first claim membership of the Club. First claim eligibility is defined by UK Athletics Rules.</p>

Commentary: These proposed changes:

- 1) Alter the club’s committee by (i) increasing the number of Junior Organiser posts from one to two; (ii) adding Race Promotions Co-ordinator as a committee post; (iii) removing Kit Manager as a committee post; (iv) reducing the number of committee posts without portfolio from two to one, with a clause to encourage members who have not previously served on the committee to take up this post.
- 2) Make the Auditor an AGM appointment, and not require the Auditor to be a member. At present the Auditor is a committee appointment; this change is to ensure, as far as possible, the independence of the Auditor.
- 3) Clarify that the President, Officers, Committee and all persons appointed to roles by the committee must be members.
- 4) Allow Second Claim Under 18 members. Some Under 18s who are members of other clubs train with us, so this will allow them to join if they wish to do so.