

CLAYTON-LE-MOORS HARRIERS

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT NELSON CRICKET CLUB 8pm Thursday 29th August 2013

1. The President, Mr David Scott, formally opened the meeting and welcomed the 39 members present. The President reminded those present of the many tasks undertaken by members of the Committee, and the other members who regularly helped out, and thanked them for their hard work over the last year. He made special mention of Peter Booth who is standing down as Chair at this meeting and thanked Harry Manning for the organisation of the evening.
2. Apologies for absence were received from: Wendy Dodds, Paul & George Thompson, Kath Brady, Karin Goss, Andy Armstrong, John & Irene Roche, Dave Edmondson, Garry Wilkinson, Sue Allen, Jean & Andy Brown and Mick Hogan.
3. The Secretary, Mike Wallis read the minutes of the 2012 Annual General Meeting, which were accepted as a true record; proposed Paul H seconded Dave Scott.
4. No matters arising.
5. The Secretary then read out his Annual Report for 2012-13, reflecting on the success of the junior section over the last year and the change in media for communication of club matter, noting the problems this may cause in the future without any control of content.
6. Don Talbot was nominated by the committee as honorary member. After Dave Scott gave a resume of his achievement the meeting approved the nomination.
7. The Treasurer's Report and Annual Accounts were considered by the Meeting, audited by Alex Cran. The report noted: decline in senior membership of 30~40 members, the loss of advertising revenue from the website, the cost of EA affiliation fees at £10 per head a rise from the £5 of last year. The loss of £354 due to clothing supply liquidation would be recovered through administration. The fall in n/letter costs was noted, this is a result of the positive move for new members only to receive the electronic copy and the opt-in on the subscription renewal form. In summary the treasurer reported the club to be in a stable period of finances. The report was proposed by Paul H and seconded by Richard L and adopted.
8. Constitutional changes. See notes in attached document.
 - a. Item 5 management. Discussion on the retention of the vice chair position as a nominated delegate for the year rather than an elected position on the committee. The proposal to amend the constitution to include a statement that the first committee meeting elects a VC was rejected (proposer Richard L, second by Eric B). The proposal as written was carried.
 - b. Item 6 membership. The proposal as written was carried
 - c. Item 7 resignations. The proposal as written was carried
 - d. Item 8 finance. The proposal as written was carried
 - e. Item 9 AGM date. The proposal as written was carried
9. The election for the new committee Officers.

	<u>Current Post Holder</u>	<u>Elected</u>
President	Dave Scott	Dave Scott
Chairman	Pete Booth	Jim Hickie
Vice-Chairman	Paul Healey	Redundant post
Secretary	Mike Wallis	Mike Wallis
Treasurer	James Hickie	Mike Eddleston

10. The election for the new committee positions then followed.

Membership Secretary	Mike Eddleston	Elected
Media Manager	New post	Wayne McIntosh
Social Secretary	Marie Greenwood	Elected
Men's Cross Country Captain	Paul Archer	Elected
Men's Fell Captain	Dave Motley	Elected
Men's Road & Trail Captain	John Roche	Tom Brewster
Ladies Cross Country Captain	Irene Roche	Elected
Ladies Road & Trail Captain	vacant	Candice

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Ladies Fell Captain	Jean Brown	Elected
Junior Organiser	Marian Wilkinson	Elected
Kit Manager	New post	Val Lawson
Elected Members	Richard Lawson	Elected
	Andy Armstrong	Elected

The election of the non-post members was between 3 nominations and determined by votes: Richard Lawson, Andy Armstrong and Mick Wrigley.

11. Constitutional change Club costume. See wording in attached document

Proposed by Dave Motley and seconded by Ivan Whigham. The Chairman invited members to speak for and against the proposal.

Pete Booth read a note from John Roche which outlined where the need for the new design has originated.

Dave Scott spoke against the proposal and the need to retain the current design.

Dave Motley speaking for the proposal did not advocate throwing away the old vest but giving the new members the option of a different design.

Richard Lawson viewed that the current design is distinctive and should be retained.

Pete Booth put the view that the new vest would be a symbol for a forward thinking club as we try to target new members.

The secretary read out rule 17 of the UK EA handbook that allows an alternate vest design but that a single design must be worn at team or relay races. There were a number of questions raised to clarify points of discussion by the floor. An amendment to the proposal that took out the actual description of the design from the constitution was withdrawn as this would be covered by rejecting the proposal. Martin Brady stated that he was against the actual new design as it did not retain the distinctive hoops but was in agreement that in principal a revised design should be considered.

The secretary noted that this reflected the general feeling of the floor, acceptance of an alternate vest but not of the design proposed.

The proposal was rejected by 19 votes to 14.

12. Close of meeting at 10.03pm.

An open forum followed the formal meeting.

Items raised were:

- MLXC race at Towneley on 26th October.
- Standing orders for the subscriptions need to be changed to 1st January.
- Sean Clare raised the question of moral codes for our members which in a private letter to P Booth had been answered.
- The committee were asked to consider the 'inclusiveness' of the club and the trend towards the East of the region and what can be done to broaden the area, including winter and summer training venues.
- The memorial cairn on Pendle is in need of refurbishment and Paul H has this in hand.
- Regarding the proliferation of small cairns on Pendle this is not part of club policy and should be passed to the Lancs CC or Rangers to deal with.

M Wallis

Hon Secretary 2012-13

Attachments:

- Agenda
- Proposed Constitution changes