

Hillingdon Triathletes AGM - Minutes

Sunday 2th February 2014 - 7.30pm Uxbridge Cricket Club

1. Attendance

43 members in attendance

2. Apologies

Caroline Whittaker
Paul Hartigan
Paul Gardner
Clark Schofield

3. Chairs Report

Dave Wardle opened the meeting by introducing Jon Train, who is secretary of Triathlon London.

Jon Train said that part of his day-to-day role covered the following Discover, Enjoy, and Achieve system of triathlon.

Discover: means getting more people doing triathlon.

Enjoy: looks at club environments, facilities, coaching and events.

Achieve: Deals with competition structures.

DW thanked Jon and gave his report

Membership is already at 155 and is being monitored to see how many members the clubs training sessions can cope with. There are no current plans to restrict membership.

Last years races were successful despite the Harefield events being limited to 100 participants.

The evening time trial series may need to be limited to members only. However a 15 minute early start should alleviate some problems.

The aquathlons were successful including the one at Denham, this year 2 will be held there.

The evening duathlon series had a slight rise in numbers but not up to the numbers of 5 years ago.

He summed up the club as being a phenomenal success, across the board.

DW thanked numerous people for there roles including coaches, social organisers, novice bike rides, webmasters and many more. He apologised for any areas he missed but they were too many to mention.

John Levison (vice chairman) told the club of the 2 major awards Dave Wardle had won. BTF and London region volunteer of the year.

4. Secretary's Report

Ian Birch, apologised for last year's minutes, as there had been confusion as to who was secretary at the 2013 AGM and pointed out this was partly why the club was updating its bureaucratic procedures. (Everyone yawned)

Last years minutes were approved, JL had amended some details to everyone's satisfaction.

The updated version of the club constitution was approved

The following club officers were approved

Chairman	Dave Wardle
Vice Chairman	John Levison
Treasurer	Andrzej Warhaftig
Vice treasurer	Caprice Beggs
Secretary	Ian Birch
Welfare Officer	Carolyn Hawkins
Safety Officer	Brian Tierney
Risk Assessment	Pat Wardle
Webmaster	Jim O'Donovan, Gillian and Steve McAllister
Captain Male	Steve Gardner
Captain Female	Lesley Levison
Social Secretary	Boo Alder and Holly Grundon
Coaching development	Paul Gardner
Communications 1	Paul Hartigan
Communications 2	Caroline Whittaker
Communications 3	Annie Birch
West London Combine	Jacob Gloor
Kit Manager	Penney Malecute and Jaqui Burke
Time keeper	Ian Birch
Asst Timekeeper	Dave Oldacre
Asst Timekeeper	John Brockhurst
Results Coordinator	Kevin Ormerod
LB of Hillingdon Liason Officer	Yolanda Gutteridge
Access Officer	Annie Birch
Star Mark Officer	Jem Lee
Ex Officio	Dave Cook
Ex Officio	Clark Schofield
Ex Officio	Andrew Dodds
Ex Officio	Diane Kendall
Ex Officio	Mandy Copas
Ex Officio	Kasia Gilwecz

Jem Lee asked what was being done regarding Club Star Mark.

After a short discussion JT explained it covered minimum standards clubs should provide for both adults and juniors and it had 3 levels.

Jem Lee volunteered to deal with the process for Hillingdon Triathletes and was gratefully given the role.

Kasia Gilewicz asked for more details of certain roles and was directed to talk to a committee member after the meeting. IB said role descriptions are being completed and put on the website.

5. Treasurers Report

Andrzej Warhaftig said the club was solvent, despite race entry fees being kept at the same level as previous years.

Work still needed to be done as the balance is £3000 lower than last year.

He announced this will be his last (29th) year as treasurer and hoped to hand the role over to Caprice Beggs in 2015. AW still wishes to have a committee role.

DW proposed Andrzej should be given Honorary Life Membership of Hillingdon Triathletes (only the second person after DW to receive this). Dave read a long list of Andrzej's sporting achievements and endless work he has done for BTF (first treasurer), TriLondon, (treasurer, director, committee member), founder member of Hillingdon Triathletes, BTF referee, BTF referee trainer, sanctioning officer and much more.

Andrzej was unanimously voted in as a Honorary Life Member.

6. Webmasters Report

Jim O'Donovan stated the web site has reached a point where it needs a bit more development with regards to historical results and more user friendly links. He would like assistance from anyone who could help, IT knowledge is not needed.

Mark Eidem volunteered to help.

JL suggested tasks like this are ideal for an ex officio committee members.

JOD Said it would be a short term commitment and some creativity could help.

The meeting was very aware of how much excellent work has gone into the website.

7. AoB

a. Stuart Reilly said the online ordering of kit should be live within the next fortnight. Members could then order directly from the manufacturers.

There was a discussion regarding slight changes to the kit design.

After a full discussion with many members contributing a vote was taken.

Keep the current design 35 Change the design 5.

THE CLUB KIT WILL REMAIN THE SAME FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE.

This means people can buy kit in the knowledge they will get value for money.

b. (i) John Levison asked if the clothing provided for the National Relays should be changed. The meeting decided that "hoodies" were excellent and should be continued.

(ii) JL suggested the reintroduction of a monthly swimming time trial. This proved very popular and DW is looking to start it on Monday evenings in mid February 2014.

c. Brian Tierney pointed out that some people who had turned up for the novice ride were too young to be left alone and asked what is the age limit.

Jon Train said the BTF position is 16 is the lowest age for a group ride.

He also pointed out that NO COACHING should take place during a ride.

The novice rides are to be re-designated as LEAD rides for novices, in order to avoid confusion.

Dave Cook suggested using Minet Park for a bike coaching session, which could encompass more areas such as maintenance.

d. Lesley Levison asked if there had been any progress in getting members to assist in marshalling one time trial per year in order to spread the work and take pressure of the same people every week. DW said this was still being considered.

e. Boo Alder told the meeting that she wishes to present the charity "Trinity", which helps homeless people in Hillingdon with a cheque for £1200 that was raised at the club dinner. It will be done in the near future.

f. Mark Eidem asked if the club had any plans for chip timing. JL said for our Harefield events it was impracticable due to the spread out nature and as we have had no major problems not necessary. DW said that the cost would be another drain from club resources.

ME said he may be interested pursuing this as he has the IT skills.

Meeting closed about 2115hrs.