



FAIRLANDS VALLEY SPARTANS

UK's Best Running Club 2010

Affiliated to UKA England Athletics

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Friday 26th November 2010 at 7:30pm

Marriotts School Hall, Telford Avenue, Stevenage

MINUTES

Attendees: Mark Glading, Sara O'Callaghan, Sean Thompson, Ian Larman, Alan Goodwin, Chris Leigh, Ron Cohen, Graham Blackburn, Katrina Doyle, Paul Holgate, Joan Ridger, Rob Shaw, Richard Sidlin, Steven Smithson, Tracy Pez, Richie Bate, Lisa Jeffron, Andy Jay, Simon Harris, Sarah O'Bryan, Jamie Drackford, Sam Pretty, Jim Brown, Trevor Setterfield, Gary Dempsey, Dyfed Thompson-Smith, Terry Woolley, Robert Hardy, Pauline Hardy, Sharon Crowley, Sharon Sculphur, Steve Watkins, Nick Witcombe, Andy Prior, Paul Carter, Andy Neatham, Anne-Marie Neatham, Helene Miller, Richard Hazeldene, Phil Rushton, Maria Rushton, Julie Goodwin, Mark Goodwin, Christine Sharman, Kieran Feetham, Shaw Pye.

Apologies for Absence: Roger Biggs, Mark Freeman, Monica Brown, Peta Wilson, Tessa Stephenson, Dave Stephenson, Tony Osborne.

Meeting Opened: 19:33pm

1. Minutes of the 2009 AGM:

Richard Sidlin proposed acceptance with Chris Leigh seconding.
Motion carried unanimously.

2. Matters Arising:

Appointment of new Kit Coordinator: The Chairman reported that this was done early in 2010 and thanked Ian Larman, Paul Carter, Jamie Drackford and Simon Harris.

3. Chairman's Report:

Attached. This was distributed prior to the meeting and the Chairman asked if there were any questions regarding the report. The Chairman had forgotten to put in his report that the Club has been inducted into the Sport Stevenage Hall of Fame.

The Chairman thanked the Committee for all the hard work in 2010.

4. Treasurer's Report:

Attached. Satisfactory financial situation at the end of the year. The Treasurer pointed out that the surplus was artificially inflated by the fact that the 5K Series had been held earlier in the year. As such, the full proceeds had contributed towards the surplus whereas, in previous years, it had been split over 2 financial years. Notwithstanding this, the Treasurer reported that the surplus was healthy and in line with previous years.

Profit and Loss Account: Nett Surplus: £8,308

Balance Sheet: Assets: £21,063 Balance: £21,063

As there were no questions from the meeting, it was deemed that the Accounts had been accepted as presented.

5. Amendments to the Constitution and Rules of the Club:

1. Clause 7.3 (c) Life members. Elected at a General Meeting of the Club with nominations to be received by the General Secretary 28 days prior to such General Meeting and approved by a majority of the Committee prior to election at General Meeting.
Proposed by Mark Glading Seconded by: Sara O'Callaghan
Motion carried unanimously
2. Clause 7.3 (f) "Social Members" to be changed to "Associate Members".
Proposed by Mark Glading Seconded by Richard Sidlin
Motion carried unanimously

6. Election of Management Committee:

Chairman: Ian Larman

Proposed by: Richard Sidlin Seconded by: Sean Thompson

Motion carried unanimously

At this point Ian Larman was invited to take over the Chair. Ian asked Mark Glading to continue until the end of the meeting.

General Secretary: Sara O'Callaghan

Proposed by: Mark Glading Seconded by: Sean Thompson

Motion carried unanimously

Treasurer: Sean Thompson

Proposed by Mark Glading Seconded by: Sara O'Callaghan

Motion carried unanimously

Committee standing for re-election:

- Chris Leigh
- Graham Blackburn
- Jamie Drackford
- Jim Brown
- Katrina Doyle
- Mark Glading
- Paul Holgate
- Richard Sidlin
- Richard Bate
- Rob Shaw
- Sarah O'Bryan
- Simon Harris
- Steve Smithson
- Tony Osborne
- Tessa Stephenson

Proposed as a group by Joan Ridger

Seconded by: Ron Cohen

Motion carried unanimously

New members standing for election to the Committee:

- Sam Pretty (Ladies Captain) proposed by Sue Leigh Seconded by: Sara O'Callaghan
- Paul Carter Proposed by: Ian Larman Seconded by: Simon Harris
- Steve Watkins Proposed by: Katrina Doyle Seconded by: Phil Rushton

Passed unanimously.

Richard Bate as Men's Captain proposed by Richard Sidlin Seconded by: Steve Smithson
Carried unanimously.

7. Election of Life Members:

- Alan Goodwin Proposed by: Terry Woolley Seconded by: Ron Cohen
- Motion carried unanimously.

8. Determination of Subscription Rates:

The Committee proposed that the rates stay the same as 2010/2011 and run for 12 months from 1st April 2011 until 31st March 2012.

- Full Membership - £25.00 (includes 2011 UKA affiliation fee)
- 2nd Claim Membership - £15.00
- Full time Student/OAP/Unemployed - £15.00 (includes 2011 UKA affiliation fee)
- Life Member – No fee (unless the Life Member wishes to affiliate with UKA for 2011 in which case a fee of £5 will apply)
- Junior Member - £10.00 (includes 2011 UKA affiliation fee)
- Associate Member – No fee

Members will be able to "opt-out" of UKA Affiliation when completing their 2011 Membership Form and thus reduce their subscription fee by £5. However, the Committee strongly advises all Members to take up UKA Affiliation due to the benefits of being covered by UKA insurance, as well as reduced rates for entering races.

Agreed unanimously.

9. Motions Received:

1. That the AGM receives a report from the Head Coach.
Proposed by: Mark Glading Seconded by: Sara O'Callaghan
Motion carried unanimously.

The Head Coach therefore presented his report (attached). The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to Chris and all the coaches for all they do. Seconded by: Sara O'Callaghan
Motion carried unanimously

10. Any Other Business:

- Jim Brown thanked Mark Glading for his three years as Chairman
- Ian Larman: made a presentation to Mark Glading for his three years as Chairman.

Meeting Closed at 20:03pm

