

Minutes of FODAC Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 20th November 2012

Present: Chris H, Jacqui, Chris M, Frank, Jim, Wendy, Pete, Fiona

Apologies: Dave, Kathy, Graham

1) Minutes of Meeting held on 23rd October & Matters Arising

Christmas Party – all arranged and so far 30 people have signed up for it. Aiming to start at 7.30pm, with presentations at 8pm followed by food & skittles. Draw for the 2 London Marathon places also to take place. Chris M has agreed to organise skittles. Buffet is £5.00 pp and will be collected on the night. Heather has donated a raffle prize & Wendy will bring along some raffle tickets.

Christmas Tree Race – Jacqui has everything organised and so far has 40 entries which is fantastic. 8 marshals will be required as will timers. Maybe use parkrun system again? Fiona will email clubs again to remind them. Prizes, spot prizes, chocolate coins & doggy bones will be bought nearer the time.

Time Keepers Course. Attended by Pete, Vicki & Mark. Seems to be some confusion over exactly what they are all now qualified for, but Pete seemed content!

Child Protection. Chris H has arranged to meet Aidan Dowle on 22nd November and will report back at next meeting.

Race Programme for 2013. The next race is on 10th February and is the Mixed Pairs Relay (could do with some application forms to hand out at the Christmas Tree race maybe?)Y

orkley Race – currently scheduled for the 8th September but Pete asked if this could be changed as it clashes with the final Avon League. Jacqui will check with the Football Club to see if we can move it. Parkrun vice director – still pending we believe (any comment Dave?)

Defibrillator. Chris H has investigated and has found that the cost is nearer to £695 rather than the £95 we were lead to believe. In the circumstances will aim to borrow the one from the Fit Zone if needed (hopefully not!) and we also need to check whether the Leisure Centre also has one.

2) Treasurer's Report

Money In £150.00

Expenditure: £90 for the 3 time keeper's courses

Bank balance – still in the region of £3100

We need to remind people to pay their weekly track fees (Fiona to prepare email to be sent out)

3) Membership Report – Frank & Kathy continue to do a sterling job and in recent weeks the following have all joined: Kyran Hale, Scott Berry, Helen Gabriel, Lisa Medcalf-Woodward, Joanne York, Joe Lidgett, Monique Davis, Sonya Nash.

4) England Athletics Fees A meeting to arrange the increase in affiliation fees is being arranged on the 1st December in Solihull and Chris H & Chris M hope to attend (via a convenient parkrun!)

Morpeth Harriers have also contacted all clubs via their respective county AAAs to express their dismay at the increase in fees, see below (forwarded to us by Mick Morris of Glos AAA:

Raising of affiliation fees 2013-17

Would your club be willing to support the following resolution to be sent collectively by local clubs to the CEO of England Athletics?

The following clubs reject the document put forward that sets the affiliation fees for 2013-2017 on the grounds that a case has not been properly made and that the proposals are unworkable. We will continue to collect and forward registration fees at £5 per active member which we deem reasonable. There is considerable disquiet and similar action is contemplated throughout the country. Should you agree the above it will be circulated for an officer of your club to endorse. This has been kept deliberately simple and unambiguous. If you support please let me know as soon as possible.

MIKE BATEMAN Hon Sec. Morpeth Harriers & A CChairman NECAA Road Running Committee

After discussion at the meeting it was agreed that we would support Morpeth with this resolution and also see what feedback the Chris's return with from the forthcoming Solihull meeting.

5) AOB – there was none!

6) Date of Next Meeting: 15th January 2013