



Trent Park Running Club

Committee Meeting Wednesday 29th November 2017

Present

Pete Hughes – Triathlon Rep
Ed Simmons - Coaching Coordinator
Charles Taylor - Chairman
Steve Clayton – Honorary Secretary
Adam Bowman – Team Manager
John Rose – outgoing Social Secretary
James Joy – Co-opted Member

Apologies: Jason Maloney, Paul Brennan, Neil Kimberley, Phil Ley

Minutes of last meeting – Read and Agreed

Matters arising

N/A

Club Chairman (Chas Taylor)

We are hopeful of finding a replacement for Paul Brennan (Communications) and John Rose (Social Secretary) Paul has already stepped down and John at the end of the year.

We have had some accidents relating to speed bumps on the Pineapple (road between SHC and the Cockfosters gate. Several members have tripped over these bumps which are thought to be above regulation height. Adam is meeting Berkley homes soon and will raise this matter.

On the Berkley Homes front, we note that the overflow car park on the concrete road at the top of Snakes Lane has limited space because it is being used for Berkeley Homes machinery.

Sally Minks and Michele Watters have completed the first aid course. Issue raised were defibrillators. Dave Kunzmann had also raised the question of defibrillators. (There is one at the Southgate Hockey Centre); First aid kit to be taken on runs (Not thought practicable) and Walkie

Talkies (Peter Hughes thought mobile phones would be more useful as people knew how to operate them and in the past WT devices did not cover the whole park.)

Last Sunday league held at Trent Park was organised by Brian Bowie. Car Parking was an issue; drivers ignore advice; car parks at Cockfoster's station and Oakwood available. The clubs postcode not helpful as it took drivers to a different location. Postcodes are a particular issue for emergency services.

The container near the wildlife centre needs some tidying up and ongoing management. John Loftus has agreed to take on this task.

Next February 2018, Barnet are hosting a Metropolitan League race and Trent Park have offered to help. We need to find someone to lead this for TPRC.

The trophy cabinet needs to be cleared out.

On marathon places, we have 7 in total, 1 from UKA (Steve Clayton needs to submit a name soon to ensure we get that place, the deadline for runners to complete and pay for their entries is 17:00 on Friday 26 January 2018. There will be no extension to this deadline under any circumstances. ; 4 from mile 18 marshalling team (James Joy mentioned we get 1 place per 10 Marshalls and we are hoping for 40 Marshalls); 2 places from the baggage team at the finish (Len Edmonds applies for these);

The AGM minutes need to be finalised and added to the website.

Co-opted Member (James Joy)

The new development website (which has been available for about 18 months) is able to send reminders for content. (TrentParkRC.com there is some content already there for Training; Juniors; Triathlon; Kit; and the about us and home page. Some areas do not yet have any content: News; Results; Calendar; Photo gallery or Contact us.

James Joy is taking over the handicap now Peter Lambert has stepped down; the handicap results can be loaded directly on the website.

Triffic Trail chip timing is too expensive and unreliable at the moment; John mentioned the Mornington Chasers (Regents Park) have a good system.

We have enough kit in the store and tri kit will be offered at a 25% discount.

Coaching Coordinator (Ed Simmons)

UKA Coach now asking for dates and a schedule; We are allowed 3 sessions between now and end of March. The course for senior members is not aimed at beginners. The content was discussed with various ideas - Marathon; Half Marathon; 10 & 5Km focus. The cross-country training plan is on the website .

Team Manager (Adam Bowman)

Limited runners in Chingford league, fine as we are not focusing on this at all this year. Sunday league, fantastic race at TP. Men won every category. Women had a strong performance. Club still remains top of the combined overall standing. Men winning A and B team, and third in the Vets. Women mid table across the board. Met League Vets are in a very strong position in Div 1 and should stay in the division comfortably. Overall Men's a place off promotion currently but looking strong so with some work could get promoted to division 1. Women high in Division 3 so also could get promoted.

London champs recently at Parliament Hill with the usual average turnout from both men and women.

Fraternity cup at the weekend, Men could have definitely won the overall but due to lack of numbers finished 5th. Fantastic performance from the women finishing 3rd and only 5 points off 2nd.

Social Secretary (John Rose)

Xmas party in place shared with Juniors; DJ and magician booked; Sally Minks is organising the Xmas Fun Run.

Triathlon Representative (Peter Hughes)

This is the close season for Triathlon; the Duathlon (Revenge of Mince Pies) was booked again for Sunday 7th January at the Velopark; A bike maintenance course was planned but we needed money in advance (£5 per attendee). This would be held at the YHA in Lea Valley at a cost of £80. Christine Prescott was advertising this event on Running Buddies.

Any Other Business

A cheque has been received from the River Relay organisers for £1200 to go to charity (Nightingale Cancer Support) for winning this race again. Congratulations to the team.

Steve has received information regarding a Safeguarding course which we should consider taking advantage of.

Next Meeting

The next committee meeting will take place on Wednesday 31st January 2018 at Steve's (9 Windsor Road, Palmers Green, N13 5PP) at 7:30 pm.

Steve Clayton

Honorary Secretary