

STRIDERS COMMITTEE MINUTES – 10th January 2013

1) **Minutes of last meeting** – 8th November 2012 - agreed

2) **UKA changes in subscriptions**

In late December UKA sent out a communication, the main gist being :

Based on consideration of all the comments received we have made the following decisions.

For the affiliation year commencing 1st April 2013 the following will apply:

- **All individual athletes will pay a flat fee of £10 irrespective of age or discipline. (The £10 fee will also apply to the optional Under 11s scheme. Details on the benefits pack for this scheme will be communicated in the New Year.)**
- **The club and affiliated bodies registration fee will remain at £50.**
- **The processes for clubs to affiliate and register athletes will be as in the current year.**

So now we need to decide how to deal with this increase for all members from £5 to £10
Looking into incentives to encourage members to renew subs promptly – possibly free piece of kit for those who pay quickly.

Possible caveat on future AGM discussions on subs that we might need to call an Extraordinary General Meeting if UKA raise the fees more than we anticipate : unfortunately UKA made this year's registration decision (which was subsequently altered to the above) a couple of weeks **after** we had our AGM.

Agreed to make final decision in July in preparation for AGM

3) **Chairman's Report –**

Sandilands

The Sandilands committee agreed a 3% increase in subs across the board. So Striders goes up to £1390. Sandilands finished the year with a surplus of about £310. But only because of the £2200 contribution from the CHM. We are hoping a new nursery will open in April. It is progressing well despite some resistance from the bar. If it succeeds it will bring in £5000pa less the cost of extra heating which will be welcome bonus. But she has still got to recruit some children.

Croydon Half

The CHM is progressing steadily 240 entries to date it was 247 on the same date last year. Putting the price up to £20 doesn't seem to have had much impact. I am due to meet the council early Feb. Running Sisters will manage the baggage tent again, Tennis have offered 10 helpers. No sponsorship for water or goody bags to date. I think we will go back to plastic cups for the water station and buy bottles for the finish. Not sure yet about goody bags.

4) **Membership Secretary's Report.**

General email reminding about subs due to be sent soon.

Then follow up with personal emails to non-payers.

UKA registration will not be renewed in April for non-payers.

5) **Treasurer's statement**

The bank account is still in a very healthy position. We have paid the Sandilands rent and still have £5,230 in the accounts.

We will need to pay the EA member subscriptions which will increase this year to approx £2,300 (up 1k on last year) but the club at his time can cover the increase. Swimming continues to more than pay for itself and kit sales have been strong. Entry fees for the CHM have been arriving steadily and we are now holding £2445 in addition to the £5k.

6) **Kit Report**

Steph reports : I have looked at other suppliers and had a sample from Ronhill, but at present Hexx cannot be beaten on price or quality so I have placed an order for more T-Shirts and vests and a sample of shorts with a view to stocking them. I am also looking at updating the kit colours to a more modern green and yellow.

Kit sale on Weds. 6th Feb.

7) Socials

Will aim to promote Last Weds. of the Month drinks – possibly to include pre-club run orders for food to be delivered to the bar.

21st April – post marathon celebration – probably in club bar.

Possible 'curry and quiz' night to be organised by Mick and Hannah – in May ?

8) Long runs and cycles.

Marathon training runs seem to be as popular as ever. We might have to review some of the local ones if it stays very muddy.but so far so good.. Nothing else planned at this stage.

Perhaps orienteering and a bike ride at Easter.

Next club duathlon to be arranged.

9) Mob Matches using parkruns

Confirmed return fixture with Bromley & Blackheath at Lloyd Park on 9th March 2013

10) Next committee meeting

Thurs. 28th Feb. – venue TBC

Action points carried forward :

540	Arrange xmas party DJ	Done	Mick	01/12/12
541	Kit payment list to Steph	Done	John H	01/12/12
542	Web site checking	Done	RJ/CM/MT	01/12/12
543	Chase up subs non-payers	Open	Mick	07/02/13
544	Kit sale	Open	Steph	07/02/13
545	Promote 'Last Weds. of the Month' drinks	Open	Robin/Hannah	30/01/13
546	Organise 'Curry and quiz' night ?	Open	Mick/Hannah	01/05/13
547	Organise club Duathlon	Open	Chris	01/05/13