

Striders of Croydon Committee Meeting Minutes

1st September, Spreadeagle, 5.30pm

Tony Flowers (TF), Mick Turner (MT), Ruth Pearson (RP), Beatrice Schaer (BS), Nikki Javan (NJ), Michelle Klein (MK), Michael Smaldon (MS), Lyes Fridi (LF)

Apologies – Simon Webster (SW), John O'Mahony (JOM)

Other References Ally Whitlock (AW), James Burree (JB), Michael Davis (MD), Graeme Drysdale (GD), Debra Bourne (DB), Chris Morton (CM), Hannah Luffman (HL), Andy Perks (AP)

1. Chairman & Sandilands – TF
 - a. Welcome to Michelle Klein and Michael Smaldon to their first Committee Meeting.
 - b. Wayfinder Posts. The promotion event took place on the 10th August. There were a number of walkers a couple of runners. Promotional leaflets are in the parklife café and with the Council. Two posts, which had gone missing, are to be replaced. This will use the last of the Council funds for the posts' maintenance.
 - c. Results processing.
 - i. Graeme Drysdale has taken over the task of compiling the Owen Trophy targets and the Road Ranking results and looking at results submission in general. The Committee thank him for this.
 - ii. A new results submission form has been added to the website. **GD to promote this to the club. TF to communicate this to GD.**
 - iii. Owen Trophy. GD has suggested that we request that runners register to be included within the calculation for the Owen Trophy. It was also commented that we could be better at communicating what the Owen Trophy is and to encourage wider club participation. **TF/GD/JOM to look at comms re trophy and to new joiners.**
 - d. Website upgrade
 - i. Michael Davis has agreed to help us look at the website and how we can update it, looking at the hosting and wordpress platform. **MT to look at this with MD/AW and JOM.**
 - e. Croydon Half Marathon
 - i. JB has announced the date for the next CHM of 15th March 2020. This avoids Mothers Day this year.
 - ii. The Committee looks forward to the planning for the 2020 race under JB's stewardship.
2. Secretary – MT
 - a. Committee. The one Committee post that remains vacant is the Runners Representative, representing the faster runners in the club. It will be advertised in the AGM notice.
 - b. AGM
 - i. The bar is booked for the AGM on 25th September 2019. **MT aims to issue notice to the club on 4/9/19**

- ii. Triathlon Trophies. It was agreed to present awards to the first male and female Strider finisher in our annual August triathlon. **JOM to note**
 - c. Switchback 29th September 2019. Needs more promotion online and at local parkruns. **DB/MT to push.**
- 3. Membership
 - a. 333 members. 266 first claim **MT to ask SW for analysis of leavers/joiners in past year.**
 - b. Nikki Javan and Andy Perks both need access to members' DOB and EA reg numbers in order to add them for XC races. **SW to provide access to this subset of membership data**
 - c. Striderslist replacement. There are continuing issues with sending attachments via Yahoo Groups. **TF to continue investigation of Google Groups and groups.io**
- 4. Treasurer – RP
 - a. The account summary to the end of August 2019 showed small fall in our balance for the year.
- 5. Social – LF
 - a. Christmas. 14th December at Sandilands. Details TBC.
- 6. Communication Officer
 - a. Welcome email and comms to new joiners. It was agreed to review this over the coming weeks. **SW to circulate welcome email to Committee members.**
- 7. Kit Officer – NJ
 - a. Webshop. Work is progressing on the justalittlebit.co.uk website. Tech T shirts will be the first available product. The plan is to launch around the AGM.
 - b. Very old kit. **NJ to continue looking at an overseas charity to donate the old logo kit to.**
- 8. Club Runs
 - a. Run Leaders.
 - i. It was suggested to add another tab to the Run Leaders availability roster. **TF to contact AW/JB**
 - ii. The Committee want to encourage more members to become Run Leaders. **TF/MT, with AW/JB to continue promotion of LIRF courses. MT to ask if HL will give her 'How to be a good run leader' talk to our run leaders.**
 - b. Thursday night speed session with Harriers. **TF to ask CM to add to his weekly Tuesday email.**
- 9. Yoga & Swimming
 - a. MT has given notice to L, our yoga teacher. It became unsustainable due to us not covering the Sandilands hall hire fee. The last session will be on the 17th September. The Committee thanks our past teachers and students for the 3 and half years of Striders yoga.
 - b. Swimming continues with 5 regular Striders. The relationship with Amphibians continues to keep swimming in the black.
- 10. Triathlon and Multisports – BS

- a. Moving into the off season now so BS will look at a programme of events leading into the next triathlon season.
- 11. Recognising ultras
 - a. The Committee has been approached with a view to award a trophy for and note ultra performances . It was felt that it was too difficult to specify an award. However, it was agreed to look at updating the ultra results page with plans to develop this page in the website re-design to take advantage of the experience within the club. **MT to take this up with AW/MD/JOM.**
- 12. Cross Country
 - a. Andy Elliott is stepping down as women's Cross Country manager after 4 years in the role. He will be much missed. The Committee thank him for taking over this role at short notice in 2015 and for encouraging our women's team over the years. NJ will take over for the 2019/2020 season.
 - b. AP and NJ to look at co-ordinating another Cross Country Q&A at the clubhouse – possibly in conjunction with the Winning Margin.

Action Points

Section	Responsibility	Status	Action
AGM	MT	Open	Issue AGM notice
AGM	JOM	Open	Note Tri awards for presentation
Coaching	MT	Open	Email generic coaching links to club
Cross Country Talk	NJ	Open	Co-ordinate with AP
Finance	RP/MT	Open	RP to provide MT with forms to allow him to become a bank signatory
Kit	NJ	Open	To see if overseas charity wants old stock
Membership	SW	Open	Update detail of current members/new members in last year

Membership	SW	Open	Provide access to AP/NJ to subset of membership details for race entry forms
Membership	SW	Open	Circulate welcome email to Committee
Owen Trophy	TF/GD/JOM	Open	Look at comms re trophy and to new joiners.
Results processing	TF	Open	Promote submission form to club via GD
Run Leaders	TF	Open	Ask Run Leaders to add second tab for future roster
Run Leaders	TF/MT	Open	Push LIRF courses
Run Leaders	MT	Open	Ask HL re talk
Safety	TF	Open	Circulate Incident Procedure to Committee for comments.
Speed session with Harriers	TF	Open	Ask CM to add to Tuesday email
Striderslist	TF	Open	TF to continue investigation of Google Groups and groups.io
Switchback	MT/DB	Open	Continue to promote

Talks	SW	Open	Set date for running with map/compass talk
Training	NJ	Open	Make Harriers aware of our marathon training programme
Training	Runners Rep	Open	Survey faster runners. Action once a faster runners rep in place
Ultra page development	MT	Open	Raise with AW/MD/JOM in website upgrade
Website upgrade	MT	Open	Arrange meeting with MD/AW and JOM to progress this
Welfare	NJ	Open	Investigate further re becoming an EA RunTalkRun group

The meeting concluded at 8.10pm

The next Committee Meeting is scheduled for mid November 2019