Run Further Committee Meeting Minutes

12.4.14 The Works, Sowerby Bridge

Present: Andy Robinson, Nick Ham, Dick Scroop and Karen Nash

Apologies: Emma David

- 1. **Minutes** of the meeting on 15.3.14 were circulated and accepted as a true and accurate record.
- 2. **Bank Account**: NH reported that it all stems from an initial error in advice from the bank. They are also proving difficult to communicate with and have asked for all our details again. NH explained our unhappiness with their dealing of opening an account during the 8 April phone call, lady said she would note this in the file. **ACTION NH** The next phone appointment is booked for 22.4.14, then they should send out paper work and NH can take this to a local branch. Hopefully we will have an account by mid May. We should end up with a Community Account with no fees. In the meantime we can manage but cannot pay in sponsors money. We agreed that the account should be set up to use any 2 signatories from the four of us: Andy Robinson, Nick Ham, Dick Scroop and Karen Nash and ideally that 2 of those (Nick and Andy) should have the ability to deal with on line banking.
- 3. **Sponsorship**. AR reported that we now have 5 sponsors- Clif Bars, Injinji, Ultimate Direction, Ultramarathon store and now Raidlight. **ACTION AR** to check that existing sponsors are OK with RL joining us and RL have been told they should not supply race vests as that would clash with other sponsors. There was a general discussion re sponsors and goods provided. We hope, in the future, to be in a position to be able to give rewards to those who complete 4 races in a series as happened previously. These might be caps or T shirts but as DS pointed out we need to avoid orders and selling as it will change our business position.
- 4. **Prizes**. ED now has the role of coordinating and keeping track of prizes through the season. It was agreed that we keep to ARs suggestion that 20% is held back for the end of year awards. Spare kit could also be used as spot prizes or web competition prizes. AR has arranged for luggage tags to be attached to prizes so that it is clear they are from RF and who the sponsor is. **ACTION KN/ED** to ensure this continues at Evesham and beyond. Possible use of address labels printed with the information. **ACTION AR** email the info he used. We decide what goes to races and negotiate with ROs as to how this is distributed among those at the event. We must use the Clif bars as these have a best before date. DS asked about prizes for Evesham. It was suggested 8 and a mixture of UD visors, UD hand held bottles, Injinji socks and Clif bars. We do have UD bum bag and bottles but they are higher value.
- 5. **Membership**. We now have over 100 as we collected more today.AR explained those greyed out were those who had not signed up yet and this was to encourage them to do so. DS suggested this needed to be explained in first line of the table **ACTION AR** to arrange. Despite at least one request it was agreed we would not be sending out regular group emails. NH and KN regularly post on facebook. AR posts via twitter and we want the website to become the place people look at before and after each event. **ACTION AR** to try to add weekly news. AR reported that the new results spreadsheet designed from scratch now has people in points order regardless of gender and based on their best 4 races. This means position is overall , not 1st lady , first V50 man etc. Ages will be on race day so a person could be in two categories during the season.

6. **AOB**

• **Tax** DS had written asking that as we are non-profit could we be treated as a dormant company and be exempt from filing a tax return. The first half of the reply said yes, once we have filed our

first accounts. The second half of the letter made no sense. DS has written back and is awaiting a reply.

- **Committee T shirts** KN reported that she had left the final design in the hands of Terry at Fastrax as not all art work was usable and this would speed things up. They should be ready very soon.
- NH asked re signing of company certificates ACTION DS will investigate.

NEXT MEETING: Although we only need one and the AGM it was agreed that we have 2 and the AGM. The next will be after the Long Tour of Bradwell and the other the night before the RRR50. Venues to be decided closer to the time. At the final meeting we hope to have some ideas re 2015 race series in order that we can discuss, finalise and present this at AGM.