

Minutes from Committee meeting dated 09/08/14

18:20 at the Bowling Green, Bradwell.

Present: Andy Robinson, Nick Ham, Dick Scroop, Emma David (Minutes).

Apologies: Karen Nash.

Agenda.

Minutes from last meeting.

Trail running Magazine.

Banner.

Next year's races.

End of season presentation.

Any other Business.

Minutes from last meeting.

Went through minutes of last meeting. All accepted as a true and accurate record.

Actions from minutes of the last meeting:

Bank account: Now up and running with all sponsor money paid in. NH noted that we are unable to use electronic banking to make payments.

Sponsors: All sponsors happy but we need to start talking to them about next year. **Action for AR.**

AH asked for volunteers to contact more sponsors for next year. **Action ED to contact Pete Bland, DS to contact Silva and NH to contact Scarpa.**

Prizes: **Action for ED to distribute the remaining prizes over the last three races, saving prizes for the presentation event.** Note that prizes for Skiddaw are limited to Injinji and Ultimate Direction.

Membership: We are still getting a few new members at each race.

Website: AR has explained on the website why names are greyed out. AR is still trying to update the website with weekly news.

Tax Issues: NH has registered for corporation tax with HMRC. **Action for DS to confirm when the company end of year is.**

Third party insurance: Agreed that there is a need for this although risk is low. **Action for DS.**

Grand Tour of Skiddaw race: Issues with sponsorship have been sorted and documented.

Trail Running Magazine.

AR confirmed that he has spoken with Editor Claire Maxted and agreed that the 2015 series will be launched in Trail Running. AR is likely to be writing the article if Claire is in agreement. Races for 2015 will not be announced at all until they appear in the magazine. AR is also writing a follow up article for the next Fellrunner magazine.

Banner.

AR suggested that we need a large waterproof banner to put up at races to improve our presence.

Action for ED to look into.

Next year's races.

Races need to be decided as soon as possible. Emails have gone out to members with little response.

Action for AR to collate ideas from committee members. Races we would definitely like to keep are the Howarth Hobble, the Long Tour of Bradwell and the Calderdale Hike.

Other ideas included Hardmoors 60 instead of the 55, another race organised by Go Beyond (Round Ripon?) to replace Shires and Spires, the Fellsman, Evesham Ultra, the Manx Mountain Marathon, Marlborough Downs, Bullock Smithy and the Compton 40. We discussed taking out High Peak 40 and Round Rotherham for a year. Other ideas were a Mountain race in the lakes and something in mid or South Wales. **Action for all committee to think about appropriate races and email AR.**

End of Series Presentation:

AR has confirmed that we can hold the presentation in the Pub and all has been agreed with the organisers of the Dark and White race.

Any other Business.

Facebook: ED asked for more photos. **Action for NH to continue to post photos and email a choice few after each race to ED for facebook album. Action for AR to put Chris Vardy in touch with ED.**

Chris Vardy is knowledgeable about Facebook and may be able to offer advice and constructive criticism about the current two pages.

Next meeting (finalised after the meeting)

Friday 17 October 8pm, The Staithes, Old Doncaster Rd , Wath-upon-Deerne, S63 7EJ - the closest pub to the Round Rotherham start, the evening before the race.