

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Ripon Runners held on Tuesday 24th March 2015

Chris Bennett was in the chair and welcomed all members to the AGM.

1. President's Introduction

Monty welcomed everyone but observed that the AGM was less-well attended than the previous year. (35 attendees)

2. Apologies

Claire Walker, Paul Walker, John Bull, Leah Horner, Simon McCudden, Iain Wallace, David Ritson, Richard Binks, Kim Holden, Anneke Imeson.

3. Matters Arising

Lisa pointed out that the chip timing was bought this financial year, not the previous.

4. Chairman's Report (4th Report by Chris Bennett)

A written report is attached to the minutes.

Comments: The move to the Rugby Club has proved a success and Chris thanked Mike Allen for all his help and for being so accommodating. This view was endorsed by the President.

Thursday night training has been very well attended and appreciated. We thanked Claire and Kim for collecting the money for training and to those who previously helped behind the bar. (Ray, Martin and John)

Chris thanked Lisa who is standing down as Treasurer after 10 year and presented her with a Camellia in recognition of her hard work and commitment.

5. Vice-Chair's Report

Claire Walker was not available to present the report.

6. Treasurer's Report

A written report is attached to the minutes.

7. Club Captain's Report

Ray Johnstone urged people to collect their numbers for the evening league races in advance rather than on the night of the race.

8. Junior Report

Lisa reported a successful year and thanked all the coaches who help every week.

Key highlights are: The one girls' team did very well at the W. Yorks XC.

Toby Osman came 4th in the Nationals.

The juniors participate keenly in Park Run and perform well.

A second Junior 5km will be held on 20 September at Fountains Abbey.

There is a Junior Club Championship with presentation of prizes in the summer.

9. Elections

The following officers were elected unanimously.

Officers

Chairman	Chris Bennett
Vice Chair	Claire Walker
Secretary	Jo Wallace
Treasurer	Iain Wallace
Race Director	Tim Joynson

Committee

Jackie Turner, Paul Walker, John Grundy, Mike Pennock, Heather Glegg.

Membership Secretary

Martin Gabriel

Club Captains

Matt Holt and Claire Walker

Press Rep

Matt Holt

Kit Holder

John Grundy

10. Membership Fees

To remain at £30 for competing members

£20 for non-competing members

£15 for social members and students in full time education

11. Charitable Donations

The following 3 charities will be supported:

The Jenny Unwin Appeal, the Walled Garden and Mountain Rescue (Wharfedale and Swaledale).

We will increase the donation to £750 from next year, thereby giving £250 to each charity, though this is subject to change depending on yearly profit.

12. AOB

- It was voted that those who run for Ripon Runners as their 2nd claim club are eligible to qualify in Club championship races if they run for Ripon as their first claim club.
- Chris suggested we mark 2016, our 30th year as a club with a special event. We should form an events committee and possibly use the Rugby Club Marquee when it is up in the summer.
- We would also like to organise a Ceilidh this year as a summer social event.

The meeting closed at 9:30 pm.