

Portsmouth Joggers

Committee meeting 1st September 2014

Attendees

Steve Bell, Jane Collins (Treasurer), Chris Gambs (Secretary & meeting chair), Ray Ruzewicz, Tony Conway, Bill Scales, Jeff Clark

Apologies: Claire Fleming

Guests: Angie from Alexandra Sports, Ian Jones XC captain & Steve Wooldridge HRRL captain.

1. Alexandra Sports

Angie kindly attended. CG offered thanks on behalf of the club for the support from AS for our races and race number sponsorship.

CG said Angie had come along to discuss stocking of PJC clothing and the club attending the club for a promotional day.

AS are happy to stock our kit and they have available space in the shop. We asked if it could be inc on their website with pictures of the items. Probably looking at race vests, t-shirts. Agreed TC as the current kit man will go in to AS to refine the range that can be offered.

TC holds stock of kit. He will do an audit of what left and will look to have a sale to clear that stock. He will consider the discount rate and liaise back. Committee are happy for TC to proceed on a sensible basis however. There are some miss-printed shirts which we can look to give away.

Angie is happy for sale stock to be displayed on the promotion day - also we can probably put up our gazebo to display the stock.

Promotion day - look to fix that for 4th October. Probably from 11am onwards. Angie will mail CG to confirm.

2. Winter XC

CG has booked QECP 9.11.14

£150 for lower field and we have the hut free of charge.

QECP want parking on the Butser area and all to be charged the usual £3. RR notes make sure no one parks access road.

CG will collect keys on the Saturday for hut and parking barrier.

Discussion on numbers likely to attend - CG will also ask Dennis Broadway the former RD

RR has spoken to Andy Hazelton whose family did food at the slog. They are happy to do again. CG liaise with Hester who is long standing volunteer for food - also arrange lift for her. CG will liaise with Andy and Hester.

CG, TC & IJ have arranged to meet at QECP 3.9.14 to receive the course - IJ suggestion to run it in reverse - same start and finish.

3. Support for the HRRL & XC teams

As announced in addition to supporting HRRL on a year by year basis the committee would like to extend that to the XC team

The existing HRRL budget is £650. The HRRL participation is higher than the XC and so the support should be proportionate. Based on discussion on number agreed to support XC £420 as proposed by IJ. He offered two proposals. 1. A structured funding arrangement for purchase of branded hoodies or 2. A sum for him to apply by discretion much like the HRRL. IJ proposal doc held on CGs sec file. Agree option 2 subject to account at the end of the season. IJ has already purchased 30 hoodies at £420. Club to refund.

Funding level proposed RR, seconded SB - voted and agreed

IJ and SW to draft joint notice to be published.

Next season we shall look to a joint budget to cover all race activities. Possibly fund PJC rain jackets.

4. GSR Water stations

SB lead and RR support.

Notice has gone of website and social media. RR reported good numbers already.

SB to attend meeting with Christine Weeks and also the main briefing with Nova 22.10.14

CG reminded SB member had raised about having a PJC tent. We raised this with CW at the June committee meeting but SB to remind CW when meets next.

5. Newsletter

SB lead - still working on it - plans to complete this weekend.

6. CG letter re quorum / EGM

CG reported only one member had made contact to say they considered the committee not able form a quorum. This is not a sufficient number to call an EGM. Members can call one any time they want if the required number request that. The committee accordingly at this stage do not propose to call an EGM.

7. UKA course in 30 November at MBC

This is the current base course for leadership in running fitness - £150 per attendee.

CG led this discussion and advocated that we should have a number of GLs attend this course. Point raised can't force GLs to attend and also the cost would

be significant. Noted that previously the club funded 10 and most had left the club or not then contributed back to the club by coaching leading.

Agree a balance needs to be struck. CG suggested that to start with a certain number attend and that is used to set some baseline standards. Some experienced GLs may meet the standards we decide to set but at present we rely on that experience without reference to minimum set of rule. CG noted that is fine for ARC insurance but it's not just about insurance, it is to help runners improve - if they want recognising many just want to attend for a social chat - but noting a large percentage do race and better performance knowledge could help in all groups. IJ added the club could look to add more attendees in follow up periods to spread the cost and give succession. Agree that is good sense. CG suggested that once we have achieved the short-term goal in relation to attending the course / min standards we can then look to develop higher level training.

Noted in discussion that the course for over 18s does not require CRB check.

Tied this in with the GL review raised in the recent letter re EGM. Group discussion - agreed a sequential approach. Stage 1 send out a fact find questionnaire to the club. 2 collate the feedback to help decide no attend course, what club wants 3. Call a meeting for GLs and all interested members to make a plan for the future structure of groups/liaison/ training /coaching / standards etc.

Jeff has also invited Suzy Walker next committee meeting to help us with steps to launch C25K which has been huge success other clubs. Jeff and CF have the lead on this.

8. Partially sighted runner

Jeff attending course on Wednesday at MBC. 9 attendees.

He will provide copies of risk assessments - discuss at next meeting. Agreed sign off all - SB has prepared general ones.

9. Xmas party

TC is lead on this. Date agreed for 19.12.14 at post office club. Disco and buffet looking like £10 a head. Agree to advise members now informally. TC will deal with ticket sales.

Bill will put on the website when he gets back from holiday - away from Friday.

CG noted that there had been no call so far for a more formal event - the committee remain happy to support that if there is call and someone steps up to organise.

10. Further informal social

Agreed good to have another pub meet. Keep them simple at this stage. TC and SB to discuss post meeting and agree venue. Date 5th Oct.

11. Plod

Teresa has been making enquiries. Plan is to run from QECP - date in March. RR and Teresa are liaising. Suggested invited Teresa to next meeting for more detailed briefing. RR to action

12 Treasurer's report / finance matters

RR reports profit from the Slog. Proposed £400 chapel fund, £50 epilepsy, £50 cerebral palsy. Proposed Jeff/ seconded SB – vote passed.

RR spent £79.40 on challenge – within agreed budget.

RR spent £103.29 on general race kit. Still under agreed budget. Still need buy race tags for winter XC. Note one of boilers may be broken.

Summer XC – JC confirms accounts concluded and £500 paid to Rainbow centre

Gazebo chq raised and now delivered. TC will showcase tomorrow at pace challenge.

Balance at bank reported to the meeting

13. Secretary report

Membership 277 as at end July. Membership steadily increasing still.

14. AOB

Bill to take over website hosting costs from Del –he will liaise with Del and CG to confirm to Del

TC will take clock to Overton. They are paying £50.

Lock-up – JC reports fee due but not received yet. Door is a state. TC to tell them to fix or give us another unit.

Parkrun – a number of us have started to regularly attend Southsea. CG has asked if can do shout out for club – they agree and will do that next time attend.

Election acting chair and vice-chair. RR and Jeff stand – no other candidates – vote passed one abstention.

Meeting ends 945pm

Next meetings; Informal 6.15 7 Oct, formal 20 Oct.