Saltaire Striders: Committee Meeting 22/7/25 8.00pm at Julie's House: Minutes

Please check for actions against you, highlighted in yellow.

1. Present and Apologies for Absence
   - Present: Ewan Gibb (chair), Tim Gore (minutes), Tim Mosedale, Julie Patterson, Mel Robinson, Stewart Spink, Russ McFarlane, Dan Jenkins, Lisa Prosho
   - Apologies were received from David Bower, James Carlton and Sue Sroka
   - New members Lisa Prosho, Dan Jenkins, Julie Patterson and Mel Robinson were welcomed, and Julie was thanked for hosting.

2. Minutes of the last meeting
   - Agreed as correct record
   - Action points (unless covered elsewhere in the agenda)
     - Details of PECO clothing company to Tim M. Ewan advised that generally the shop is working, people are buying etc. But there is some new stuff that they haven't added on yet (eg race tees) and also the info on how the club reclaims the markup. They are quite a difficult company to deal with, but Ewan will continue to chase them Action EG
     - Updated pace guidelines published to website. TG to contact Richard to obtain latest agreed version, then David can publish. Action: TG/DB

3. Financial Update
   - Tim had circulated his report in advance and talked through it.
   - Discussed track not "breaking even". Various things were discussed about raising the profile of it, including announcements on Monday meets. Also better social media promotion of it (in addition to the somewhat "functional" post by Louise/Ali describing what the session will be) and promotion of car-share options. Russ suggested another (different) event in the spring to complement the "Murder Mile" will help raise the profile too. Ewan to ask run leaders to announce on Mondays. Action: EG. Agreed not to raise the price yet, but review at next meeting.
   - At the moment we are £115 ahead of budget projection.
   - Tim also reported Santander to start charging for the bank account: £5/month from October. Tim to investigate alternatives, but it may be we have to budget for this. Report back to committee by next meeting. Action: TM
   - Easyfundraising: carry forward to next meeting.

4. Training
   - Proposal to co-opt Marcus Isherwood to the role of T&C Coordinator: Agreed that the constitution requires us to ask for volunteers. Ewan will contact Marcus to warn him that this will happen (Action: EG) then Tim will put out an "advert" via all channels tomorrow with a deadline of Friday 25th July. If no-one else applies, it was agreed unanimously that the committee co-opt Marcus. If there is another application, the committee will discuss and decide via WhatsApp (noted this is a committee decision not a club decision, to co-opt until the next AGM when the post would be open for election) Action: TG.
   - Assistance with run leaders rota: discuss with Marcus (assuming he is appointed) at the next meeting.
   - Tim M reported 4 x new run leaders trained this year and 4 x more in training. Hopefully availability of run leaders generally is an improving picture.
   - No other training issues raised.

5. Membership Update
   - End of year renewals: there was a deluge of renewals after an email went out to non-renewals to say "goodbye" many then renewed!
   - Due to club standards being non-compliant we cannot currently renew/join anyone with EA. Tim G explained the problem was due to us no longer being fully compliant because of new lead welfare officer not yet fully completed training. Tim M reported that there were 2 x renewals and 2 x new joiners "waiting". Julie has completed DBS application and level 1 safeguarding, but can't book adult welfare until DBS is returned. Once she has a date for adult welfarfe course,

she'll report back and we can decide whether to ask EA to "override" the restriction on joining members or simply wait it out. Action: JP.
- Purge of non-members from social media and database: done, thanks to Tim M.

6. Club Main Events
   - BMWR
     - No debrief on this years event: save for future meeting with Ian & Ang
     - Agreed priority is to choose and book in a date for next year, then allow Ian & Ang to arrange a handover with Anthea and report back to us in due course.
     - Our preferred date is 14th June, alternative 7th June. Tim to ask Ian to contact Ilkley Harriers to find out if they've got a date for Ilkley 10K next year, to avoid clashing, and to check with Mike Moss that he is available as a courtesy. Action: TG
   - John Carr
     - Stewart to hand over to Richard Ling in due course (late August?) and work with him on next years event. Action: SSp
     - Proposed date for next year: 4th May

7. Captains Update/Running Events
   - Vets series going well with a number of new runners
   - Mel suggested this was due to the promotion of it at the "captains night" meeting and suggested a repeat. Agreed, but no plans made yet: carry forward.
   - September is a busy month with LCWR, Vets relay in Wibsey and 6+4 stage relays. Captains/VCs to promote and get teams together etc. Tim M pointed out we often miss the registration deadline for LCWR and have to beg for them to enter us late, though exact deadline wasn't known: Russ acknowledged. Action: Captains/Vcs
   - Art of Running Event: Tim explained as best he'd understood it, and advised that run leaders will be required. Awaiting further info from Baildon Runners (organisers).

8. Social
   - Christmas party: 6th Dec: was booked at Baildon Golf club but they have now advised we may be double-booked. Stewart awaiting confirmation before looking for alternative venue, possibly Halfway House. Action: SSp
   - Pie & Peas/StravaArt: agreed date 18th Dec: Stewart to book The Junction. Action: SSp

9. Welfare
   - Handover from Donna & Anthea: Mel and Julie to arrange in due course. Action: JP/MR
   - Agreed it would be beneficial for Mel to do the adult welfare course as well as just Julie, Mel agreed to do this. Action: JP.
   - Mel and Julie to be given access to WebCollect for finding members details: Tim G to advise them how to use it. Action: TG.
   - Discussed how we make sure Julie and Mel are aware of events/circumstance that require contact. Suggested that we have a welfare@saltairestriders.org.uk email address that forwards to both of them. Tim M will set up the address (Action: Tim M) then Julie/Mel will draft an email introducing themselves to the club for Tim G to send out on their behalf. Action: JP/MR/TG. Also include this email address on the monthly newsletter each month (Action: DB)
   - Safeguarding concerns: details on full minutes. Action: JP/MR

10. Club Governance
    - Club values/mission statement: Ewan shared the proposed values and mission statement with the strapline AIR: Ambitious, Inclusive, Respectful. Ewan to share full details of proposed wording with committee Action: EG. On inclusivity, it was discussed how we cater for the slowest runners, even those group 1 find too slow, and it was discussed about beginners/couch-to-5K and the possibility of doing a taster session. No firm plans: carry forward to next meeting.
    - Proposal to make the BMWR chair and JC chair committee posts? Carry forward to next meeting.

11. Communications
    - Moderating of social media chat: assigning facebook permissions etc. Discussed the moderation of Striders Chat on facebook, and agreed it's maybe not so much of a big deal as has been made of it in the past. Currently Ewan and Tim M are admins with plan to add James when he returns.

12. AOB

- Purchase of small gazebo and luggage trolley: agreed we have the spare budget. Ewan to advise spec of his luggage trolley, gazebo as suggested on the committee WhatsApp by Stuart D on 15/7. Tim M to organise ordering. Action: EG/TM.
- New storage location of equipment. Liss P has kindly offered to store the gazebos, flags etc. To arrange collection from Stuart in due course. Action: LP.

13. Date of next meeting
    - Wednesday 10th September 8pm.
    - Venue to be discussed on WhtasApp
    - Apologies already registered from Tim Mosedale and Julie Patterson.