

Sandhurst Joggers

Annual General Meeting – 21st March 2011

Present:

Roger Halliwell, Matt James, Dave O'Toole, Larry Sharpe, Roy Whillier, Dave Shepherd, Monica Burbidge, Mike Gascoigne, Fiona Gascoigne, Royston Crandley, Graham Robinson, Nina Cron, Mally Cron, Sarah Alexander, Paul Alexander, Nikki Stanley, Nige Webber, Suren Mannick, Steve Smith, Janet Foran, Greg Ward, Richard Pollington, Nikki Fowler, Barbara Peen, Patrick Wadsworth, Mark Stock, Nick Stock, Nick Jacobs, Serena Gigg, Jenny Gray, Becky Miller, Graham Meek, Paul Biggs, Gerry Mephram, Rob Hewison, James Casey, David Breslin, James Ratcliffe, Brendan Cottrell, Clive Rolfe, Lisa Hale, Sue Wright, Janice Alves de Sousa, Scott Bailey, Louise Gubb, Richard McCready, Richard Johnson

1. Apologies:

Tim Smith, Austin Soane, Christine Armstrong, Elin Loftesness, Carl Bradshaw, Dave Raeside, Ann Hewison, Jon Gubb, Mark Fallowfield Smith, Phil Boylan, Dave Ricards, Kim Reeves

2. Approval of 2010 Minutes & Matters Arising

Minutes approved with no matters arising

3. Club Committee Reports

3.1 Rob Hewison – Events (XC)

Of the 8 races we won 7 and this was by a large margin. Sandhurst Joggers won the league for the 2nd year running, but it was agreed not to send a team to the national finals this year. Rob praised team spirit shown by the club and thanked all for good turnout. Richard McCready has now taken over responsibility for organising the home fixture, volunteers will be needed to assist, the role will be split into six different jobs – *jobs to be assigned once volunteers confirmed*

3.2 Dave Breslin/Brendan Cottrell – Events (Summer)

Sandhurst Joggers entered a total of 9 relays, along with several other club organised events:

Tuesday Away Day Relay – held at Frimley Lodge Park with teams of 4 doing the Park Run course, there was a very good turnout of runners and positive feedback.

Green Belt Relay – a 22 stage 220 mile relay round the M25 over 2 days. 2 teams of 11 runners were entered coming in 7th and 21st place.

Peak District Relay – Organised by Alan Kirby, went well with Sandhurst Joggers winning.

Runnymede Relay – 6 stage relay in Windsor Great Park, 5 teams were entered finishing 3rd, 10th, Ladies 15th, 23rd and 35th

North Downs Relay – First time Sandhurst participated, unfortunately got lost!

Dinton Pastures Relay – A 'Guess Your Time' relay of 3 stages of 3km. 6 teams were entered, winning team and individual trophies.

Bounders Relay – Tuesday night relay with Sandhurst entering 13 teams (52 members in all) 1st men, 1st ladies and 1st mixed teams, with other teams coming 6th and 8th.

Club Track Challenge – a well attended event organised by Carl and James, which received positive feedback despite limited use of the track due to another event being booked at the same time.

Try A Tri – organised by Carl, with 30 club members taking part.

Brickmakers Relay was cancelled due to lack of entrants

River Relay – 3 teams were entered, with Sandhurst Joggers finishing 1st, 10th and 18th.

Clarendon Way Marathon Relay – 2 teams entered finishing 8th and 23rd out of 73 teams. The event is not running in 2011 but will return in 2012.

Mountain Biking in South Wales – 16 people attended, with all enjoying and another will hopefully be arranged later in 2011.

SJ Weekend Away – Well attended and enjoyed by all

SEAA XC Champs – 4 runners entered, next year's national XC championships will be held at same venue (Parliament Hill) hopefully full men's/women's teams will be entered.

Canal Run – Organised by Erol with approx 50 runners attending.

Grizzly – A big Sandhurst turnout, with the club finishing 1st and 2nd (Adam Stirk and Graham Robinson)

3.3 Janice Alves de Sousa – Membership

There are 338 members, 12 rejoined and 87 new, 239 renewed with an increase since last year. Membership cards will now be sent electronically, but members to contact Janice if they would like a hard copy. Club members were asked if they could make the club aware of any medical conditions. The lower subscription rate of £7.50 will take effect at the start of January running to the end of March. Any members who have not renewed 3 months after the due date (1st April) will be removed from the database. A reminder will be sent out a month after the 1st April.

3.4 Liz Morris – Social

The pub runs were all very well attended, members were invited to nominate a pub if they wished. Summer barbecue was held at Richard and Dawn McCready's house. Halloween Hash and Mince Pie Runs were also well attended. 85 people have responded to confirm attendance at the End of Year Dinner – *to be promoted at club runs*, especially Tuesday

3.5 Lisa Hale – Secretary

The 4 club London Marathon Places were secured.

3.6 James Ratcliffe – Publicity

The website is going well as is the Facebook group. There have been several articles in the local paper and Running Fitness magazine. The club's charity support has been publicised in local press. There is a good communication network between members. The family fitness funday and Yateley 10k series are the next events to be promoted.

3.7 Graham Robinson – Annual Statement of Accounts

Awaiting audit by Alan Kirby

Approx £500 profit made. Balance £3-4k. Budget of 300 members was reached. Donation from YRR reintroduced this year of £2,000 (including backdating from last year) End of Year Dinner cost was increased from £25 to £30, with club subsidising disco and trophies. Money has been saved by moving Mon/Weds night runs to Owlsmoor, saving £1,000 per year. The London Marathon bus is to cost £5 for members, and breaking even. The club will continue to support the cross countries. Overall cost savings should save club additional £1,000 per year. Membership fee will not increase this year, but will be reviewed again next year.

3.8 Royston Crandley, Serena Gigg, Alan Kirby Paul Alexander – General Members

Paul Alexander has taken over General Member role from Richard McCready. It was reported that Tuesday night group now has 50-60 members which split into 3 different paced groups. Volunteers will be needed to lead summer runs to accommodate increasing numbers. Away day runs to stay at Morgan Rec. The main change to Mon/Weds runs is the change in venue which has worked well financially and all have been happy with. PA e-mailed club members for feedback – 3 responses received! It was suggested to have an away day run every 3rd Monday of each month – Hawley Lake/Broadmoor.

3.9 James Casey – Vice Chair

Organised Lucozade to attend weekend away, and will be producing the End of Year trophies. Also helped with the organisation of St Michaels Hospice 10k.

3.10 Jenny Gray – Chair

Thanked all for attending and introduced the results of the club questionnaire – 28 members replied

4. Yateley Road Races

Accounts to follow

Turnover of £37k, with £5k to charity. Expenditure increases each year. Planning is going well for 2011, venue booked, supplies organised, and first aid booked. Entries are open and website updated. There were some traffic issues due to police no longer attending, Clive Rolfe has taken responsibility this year. 6 people have been on course to enable them to manage road closures.

5. Club Subscriptions

It was agreed that these will not increase this year but be reviewed again next year, potentially to £20, the general feeling was that most members would not object if this needed to happen.

6. Club Championships

Events have been increased to include Parkrun. If members compete in events not listed, these may be considered as long as they are accurately measured. It was agreed that the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes for each age category would be presented together at the End of Year Dinner to save some time. The Age Graded Championships do not include the winners of the Club Championships to give more opportunities for winning.

7. Club Discussion – General Members Committee

It was put to the members that it may be a good idea to have a 'sub committee' of club members from all groups of the club to ensure that all members are better represented. They would meet 4 times a year, with an agenda set partly by themselves with input from the committee. Hopefully this would increase influence from a wider spectrum of members. Volunteers were asked to contact Paul Alexander. *Jenny Gray to e-mail volunteers*. This idea to be particularly promoted to Tuesday group who are sometimes under represented.

8. Election of Officers 2011/2012

- 8.1 Chair: Nominated: Jenny Gray Proposed: Lisa Hale Seconded: James Casey Vote: Elected
- 8.2 Vice Chair: Nominated: James Casey Proposed: Alan Kirby
Seconded: Rob Hewison Vote: Elected
- 8.3 Treasurer: Nominated: Graham Robinson Proposed: Nick Stock
Seconded: Graham Meek Vote: Elected
- 8.4 Secretary: Nominated: Nikki Fowler Proposed: Dave Breslin
Seconded: James Ratcliffe Vote: Elected
- 8.5 Events: Nominated (winter) Rob & Ann Hewison Proposed:
Royston Crandley Seconded: Janice Alves de Sousa Vote:
Elected
Nominated (summer) Dave Breslin & Brendan Cottrell Nominated: Paul
Alexander Seconded: James Casey Vote: Elected
- 8.6 Membership: Nominated: Janice Alves de Sousa Nominated: Roger
Halliwell Seconded: Brendan Cottrell Vote: Elected
- 8.7 General Members:
Nominated: Serena Gigg (Tues) Proposed: Royston Crandley
Seconded: Janice Alves de Sousa Vote: Elected
Nominated: Royston Crandley (Tues) Proposed: Nina Cron
Seconded: Mally Cron Vote: Elected
Nominated: Paul Alexander (Mon/Weds) Proposed: Richard McCready
Seconded: Paul Biggs Vote: Elected
Nominated: Nikki Stanley (Mon/Weds) Proposed: Lou Gubb
Seconded: Sarah Alexander Vote: Elected
Nominated: Nina Cron (Tues) Proposed: Dave Breslin Seconded:
James Casey Vote: Elected

9. Non Elected Posts for 2011/2012

Yateley Road Race Director	-	Jenny Gray
Handicap Run Organiser	-	Simon Whillis
Webmaster	-	James Ratcliffe
Track Coaches	-	Carl Bradshaw, Alan Kirby, James Casey
Newsletter Editor	-	Royston Crandley
Kit Sales	-	Richard McCready
SJ XC Co-ordinator	-	Richard McCready

10. AOB

Medical Tags

It was discussed whether people with medical conditions could wear tags identifying them 'Cram tags' so other runners are aware should anything happen. Nina Cron said she was happy to look at purchasing and distributing – cost £1 each. It was emphasised that club can only make recommendations but not enforce, club members need to take responsibility for own health and safety.

Leadership in Running/Walking

Nina Cron and Serena Gigg – Leadership in Running/Walking due for renewal, anyone else who is interested to speak to Nina and she will co-ordinate.

Family Fitness Funday

Anyone interested in helping to contact Roger Halliwell, date confirmed for June 4th.

Basingstoke Canal Petition

Now open to all to sign, deadline is June.

Thursday Night Runs

There has been a lot of interest in re-starting a Thursday night run, especially for another option to Tuesday night runners or those who do not feel fast enough for Wednesday runs.

Serena Gigg to gain feedback from Tues group in terms of time/location/structure – proposal for structured programme e.g. hills/speedwork/set routes to ensure does not drop off as has happened previously.

Greg Ward and Sarah Alexander volunteered to lead Thursday runs.

Thursday runs to take place from same venue as Tuesday – Greg Ward agreed to start immediately.

Beginners

It was agreed that more publicity should be given to achievements of beginners in the club as sometimes there is a feeling that there is more focus on the faster runners, this could be put in the newsletter.

Serena Gigg and Royston Crandley to ask Tuesday runners for feedback/suggestions, and promote Thursday runs.

Meeting Closed at 9.47pm

