

Minutes of Billericay Striders Committee Meeting held on 3rd April 2002 @ Hannakins Farm Community Centre, Billericay.

Present: Pete Chown, Dave Sweet, Jan Pardon, Dave Godfrey, George Timms, Sue Wood, Ian Grant, Laurence Harrison, Keith Walker, John Halliday, Vic Pridmore, Freda Timms, Brian Cowling and Dave Anderson

Apologies: Elaine Walker,

Also in attendance – Dave Wood, for presentation of Club Web Site

Chairman: PC has provisionally booked the new centre at Norsey Woods for our AGM. The date will be Thursday May 23rd at 7.45 p.m.
Thanks to Jan Pardon and John Pardon for the Quiz Night. Those that attended had a good evening.
For the Jubilee Run on Monday June 3rd from Hannakins cost will be £2 per head. Other Clubs to be invited to attend.

The floor was then passed to Dave Wood to do a presentation of the Club's new Web Site. This idea saw first light through the endeavours of George Timms. Dave then had conversations with George and as a result Dave is now further enhancing the groundwork prepared by George, with the target to launch at our AGM at the end of May. All the Committee agreed the site looked very professional and had great potential to develop and take the club forward.
Since the meeting various committee members have been asked to provide Dave with additional information for inclusion on the Website.

Secretary: DS has received details of a proposal by the SEAA, to change the way they charge for Subs with effect from 1st January 2003. The additional cost to the club would be in the region of £40. A vote was taken amongst the Committee as to whether we should support this proposal or not. The vote was 9 for accepting and 4 for non-acceptance. DS to return the proposal to the SEAA with our vote.

Treasurer: £ 125.08 in A&L Current Account, £ 3,000.00 in A&L Deposit Account; £ 164.34 also in an additional Current A/c. Grand Total £ 3,289.42

Newsletter

Editor: Dave will be producing two more Newsletters in April and May and will then be passing over the reigns to Kevin Jacob who has agreed to be the new Editor.
15 copies of the yearbook at £3 a time have been sold, with the expectations of more orders to follow.

Social

Secretary: A general discussion took place incorporating the following ideas. Should we continue with a Dinner Dance? If so, do we change the caterers, do we change the venue, do we change the time of year, do we change the format. Do we have a Dinner Dance and a summer event, e.g. a Ball, a Bar-B-Q, a London based event like the London Eye. Other options were also discussed, like a Racing Night (Dogs and Horses, but not at the same venue!). It was felt that to drop the Dinner Dance would be a mistake as a lot of people got a lot of enjoyment from the evening. But we would possibly move it to January to lessen the expense of Christmas and to incorporate the presentation of the Club Championships, which conclude in December. Jan would explore other venues and caterers to see what alternatives there were. **Since the meeting Jan has provisionally booked the new Stock Village Hall for a Dinner Dance on January 17th, with new caterers.**

Press

Secretary: IG will arrange for some publicity when we officially go live with the Web Site.
The Southend Bike Ride will take place on July 14th, so maybe we can incorporate this in our Social Calendar.
Mark Gowers will be awarded the Cross Country Plate for the season 2001/2002.

Membership

Secretary: Nothing additional to report

Statistics

Secretary: Nothing additional to report.

Kit

Secretary: No kit problems are being encountered.

Ladies

Captain: Not present for this meeting but had contacted DS to ask for her new address and details to be forwarded to the Committee.

Mens

Captain: For the next few years John would be living for three days a week at his fathers house, so he will therefore not be at the Tuesday Club Nights. This was mentioned in case it had a bearing on his position as Mens Captain, as this is a Committee appointed post.

Brian

Cowling: Nothing additional to report.

Vic

Pridmore: Nothing additional to report

Laurence

Harrison: Nothing additional to report

Dave

Anderson: Dave Simons had approached Dave with the idea for a trophy to be awarded for the fastest person over the Handicap course during any of the four races in the year. Dave Simons would even provide a trophy. Dave Sweet added that he had a trophy at home that could be utilised for this purpose and would bring it to the next Committee meeting.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 9.45p.m. The date for the next meeting, will be Wednesday 1st May @ 8.00pm, at **Hannakins Farm Community Centre**.