

Minutes of Billericay Striders Committee Meeting held on 5th February 2003 @ Hannakins Farm Community Centre, Billericay.

Present: Pete Chown, Dave Sweet, Vic Pridmore, Sue Wood, Dave Godfrey, Ian Grant, John Halliday, Keith Walker, and Laurence Harrison.

Apologies: Jan Pardon, Elaine Walker, Dave Anderson and Kevin Jacob.

Action Points from last meeting – carried forward

Council to be contacted re condition of track/lane at end of Linda Gardens – **outstanding, DS to action.**

UK Athletics Presentation – **DS to issue to committee copies of documentation relating to Phase 2 (leading to application for Grants), for their information.**

Benefits of UK Athletics development programme – **JH to produce article for Newsletter.**

Chairman : Elaine Walker has decided to step down as Ladies Team Captain. PC thanked Elaine for her efforts and her time as a Committee member.
PC also thanked everyone involved with the Presentation Evening, especially Jan Pardon. All agreed the evening had been a great success and looked forward to next years event.
Due to a misunderstanding over the time of this meeting, PC stated that all future meetings would start at 8.00 and be on the first Wednesday of every month (i.e. no change), regardless of availability of full committee.

We then went into the two main subjects of this evenings meeting. Our Cross Country event and the Club Championships.

First up was the Cross Country. BC advised that all the markers, banners etc were currently with Thrift Green. BC then went through course changes due to work being done in the park. These changes would have to be well marked and marshaled. Need to have a big push on club nights to get marshals for the day. **DS had that day issued an e-mail request to club for Marshals, and in addition re refreshments to be brought along.**

As a requirement of staging event we should have two First Aiders on standby. Sandra Rogers and Elaine Walker to be approached.

Next we discussed the Club Championship events. DS produced the schedule from last year to use as a template for 2003. Basically the same events will form the Club Championship, with the only real difference being how the 4 Handicap runs will be scored. We are lead to believe that this year, they will be scored in a fairer way to favour the more runs you participate in. For a detailed explanation see JH or IG.

There will be no difference to the number of scoring events. All events will score. There will be no best 8 out of 9 to count. Or in the ladies case 9 out of 10.

The schedule for March was put together, as there are two Club Championship events that month. The rest of the Calendar will be put in place as event dates become known and are confirmed.

We then went round the table :-

Secretary: The first batch of 12 Cram Tags sold out. DS has ordered another 30 and these are pretty well spoken for. IG to do an article for the Press as this is good PR for club.

Treasurer: See Report Attached for finances.

DG also had an idea for a Telephone Tree, whereby in the event of the entire club requiring to be informed urgently about a matter, the committee can split the club membership between them.

Newsletter

Editor:

Not present for meeting and nothing forwarded for discussion.

Social

Secretary:

Not present for meeting, but through DS suggested that aside the major events that the club should support (Dinner, 10k and Round the Town Relay) additional events be they social or social running will not be pushed, will not have the same emphasis put on them.

Press

Secretary:

There will be Press coverage of Jamie's achievements from last year. Shame there were no photos for Press use of the Presentation evening. Next year we will organise this aspect better.

Membership

Secretary:

Membership currently stands at 119

Statistics

Secretary:

KW commented about seeing a lack of Race Results. Some, it seems from the discussion, are being passed to JH and KJ and not always reaching Keith. KW to discuss with KJ. **DS to also issue an e-mail to the club requesting all race results are passed to KW. (Has since been actioned).**

Kit

Secretary:

VP has supplied 11 new members with T-shirts.

Ladies

Captain:

Nothing to report as not present for meeting. See reference in Chairman's section.

Men's

Captain:

Nothing to report except where mentioned in Club Championship discussion and Statistics Secretary discussion.

Brian

Cowling:

Refer to section about Cross-country event.

Laurence

Harrison:

Nothing to add.

Dave

Anderson:

Nothing to report as not present for meeting, but would also like to extend his congratulations to all involved with the Presentation Evening.

AOB:

Nothing to report.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 9.50 p.m. The date for the next meeting, will be Wednesday 5th March 2003 @ 8.00pm, in the meeting room on right through main door at **Hannakins Farm Community Centre**.

Appendix to Billericay Striders Committee Meeting of February 5th 2003.

Treasurers Report

The Striders financial position as at 1st February 2003 was as follows

Alliance Leicester Deposit A/c	£3,026.79
Alliance Leicester Current A/c	£ 504.58
Lloyds TSB Current A/c	£ 618.00