2008

100 Marathon Club

Minutes of the 2008 Annual General Meeting held 3.30pm, Sunday 4th January 2009 in the Norman Park Athletics Track Meeting Room, Hayes Lane, Bromley, Kent

The Chairman welcomed those members who had stayed after the handicap marathon to attend the meeting.

Apologies for absence had been received from Selina Da Silva, Alan Morton, Syd Wheeler, Ernie Barker, Peter Rogers, Mike Gaunt and Ian Sharman

Minutes of the 2007 AGM: Minutes were approved (Proposer Pam Storey and seconded by Dave King)

Reports of the Committee

- Chairman's report: Roger Biggs advised that the club was going from strength to strength and that there were a number of new marathons in 2009, details of which can be viewed on the "What's New" page on the club website
- Secretary's report: Jack Brooks reported that at 31/12/08 the club had 159 full and 30 associate paid up members against 158 paid up at 31/12/08. Jack summarised the achievements of the Association of Road Running Clubs (ARC) in 2008. Jack also thanked Tad for organising the Centenary Marathon and Colin Poole for organising the Carpi trip in 2008 and particularly for very kindly paying for the hire of the track facilities for the AGM event
- **Treasurer's report**: Tad Lancucki advised that the club's finances were healthy, but that the accounts have not yet been finalised. The provisional accounts were approved (Proposer Colin Poole and seconded by Bob Parmenter)
- **Kit report**: Colin Poole advised that 2008 sales had gone well, especially for medium sizes. The question of sew-on badges was discussed and whilst some members advised that there might be problems sewing these onto other clubs' vests there was a majority vote in favour of badges. There was a suggestion that there should be club shorts, but this did not receive approval. There was substantial interest in both club fleeces and club jackets and it was agreed that the Committee would further investigate providing both.

Resolutions: None were received

Election of Committee Members: All of the existing Committee members were elected unopposed: Roger Biggs, Tad Lancucki, Peter Graham, Colin Poole, Selina Da Silva, Dave King and Jack Brooks (Proposer Paul Watts and seconded by Peter Burns)

Subscription Rates: It was agreed that the wording relating to free membership for over 70s should be looked at. The intention is that members will not get free membership in the year during which they turn 70, but will get it thereafter. The Committee agreed to investigate the age profile of the membership to see what impact giving free membership to over 65s might have on club funds. The proposal to rationalise all fees payable to £10 per annum was approved (Proposer Danny Kaye and seconded by Pam Storey) subject to any member joining between 1st October and 31st December only having to pay £10 for the period (12 to 15 months) up to 31st December in the following year.

Membership of EA, ARC and ABAC: Carol Paul proposed that we affiliate to all 3 and Mike Newbitt seconded. The proposal was approved.

The Future: The Committee was requested to investigate the possibility of some sort of linked event with other European hundred clubs. There was a suggestion that the club should nominate a charity each year, which runners should collect for, which was not widely supported. However, Pam Storey suggested that for each AGM handicap marathon the club could consider nominating a charity and that any surplus for the event could be donated to that charity. The Committee agreed to consider this. Complaint against a Club Member: There was some discussion about what action should be taken against a member whose actions could well bring the club into disrepute. Roger Biggs advised that he was making investigations about this and would report back in the near future.

Club Statistics and Eligible Events: There was a discussion as to whether events advertised as being 27 miles should be counted as marathons. A vote was taken and by a large majority it was determined that they should not. It was also agreed that anyone participating in LDWA Marshal Events and also then doing the main event could not count this as more than 1 marathon.

Pam Storey's Crawley Track Marathon: Pam advised that this is an expensive event to put on and asked if the Club could sponsor £200 of the cost. There was a majority vote in favour of this as a one-off for 2009.

PRESENTATIONS

Handicap Marathon

- 1. Tom Wilkie
- 2. Janet Cobbey
- 3. Roger Biggs

UK and Ireland 2008 Road Marathon Challenge

Top Lady was Ruth Benzimra = 13

Men

- 1. Steve Edwards = 21
- 2. Dave Moles = 19
- 3. Jim Mundy = 19
- 4. John Dawson = 18
- 5. Paul Watts = 16

50 Counties Award: A certificate was granted to Dave Moles for achieving this major milestone.

Photo of the year: The photo was given to Tad in recognition of his superb achievement in organising the Centenary Marathon. An additional award was made to Dave Lewis for his photo taken at Jungfrau Marathon

Award of Pins:

200 marathon pins were awarded to Linda Major and Peter Burns.

300 marathon pins were awarded to Dave Major, Tad Lancucki, Dave Lewis, Gina Little, Danny Kaye and Robert Hardy.

A 500 marathon pin was awarded to Roger Biggs

A 600 marathon pin was awarded to Mike Newbitt.

There was a vote, which was approved by a large majority that the Committee should not charge members for these pins (which are relatively inexpensive).