

Seaford Striders Running Club Annual General Meeting

WEDNESDAY, 20th FEBRUARY 2019

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Seaford Striders 2019 held on Wednesday 20 February 2019 at 8pm in the Olympic Bar at the Downs Leisure Centre.

 <u>Welcome & Members Present</u> RP welcomed everyone present and thanked his predecessor Martin Bulger for all that he had done over the years.

Members present - Martin Bulger, Rob Plant, Trevor Jones, Julie Taylor, Anneka Redley, Becky Souissi, Andy Farley, Hilary Humphreys, Tony Humphreys, Nick Farley, Matt Franks, Chris Le Beau, Victoria Maleski, Richard Honeyman, Lauren Morgan, Graham Jones, Simon Fletcher, Andy Gorrie, Sue Wallis.

2. Apologies for absence

Graham Little, Gareth Hutchinson, Sandra Standen, Alice Lennie, Sue Garner, Verity Skinner, Tom Roper, Josh Rudd, Jacob Miles, Stacy Bennett, Wendy Woodford, Emily Eaton, Joel Eaton, Simon Nixon, Kristy Sherry, Terry Ward.

3. Vote to adopt 2018 AGM minutes

The 2018 AGM minutes had been circulated previously. There were no amendments requested. The vote to adopt the minutes was proposed by Hilary Humphreys and seconded by Becky Souissi.

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the 2018 AGM minutes.

5. Chairman's Report

RP reported that the Club was in an excellent state with 298 members (including around 100 juniors) as compared to 118 at this time last year. This superb growth is down to the enthusiasm of the existing members.

6. Treasurer's Report

CLB circulated the Treasurer's Report. 2018 was another good year for the Club. Expenditure broadly matched the income. There was £2,000 expenditure on Mince Pie 10 from the prior year. Subscription income was up 94%. Mince Pie 10 expenditure increased this year because of the high quality medals, new hi-vis and other improvements but entry fees and entry

numbers were up as well. Kit sales had increased. The cost of space hire for the juniors is a new factor but this was offset to some extent by the reduced room hire cost for the seniors. It is hoped that lots of our new members for 2018 will renew their membership this year.

7. Election of Chairman and Committee

The following posts were nominated, their election was agreed by all present as proposed by Anneka Redley and seconded by Lauren Morgan:

Honorary Club Captain	-	Martin Bulger
Chairman	-	Rob Plant
Treasurer	-	Chris le Beau
Secretary	-	Victoria Maleski
Men's' Captain/Vice	-	Nick Farley / Josh Rudd
Women's Captain/Vice	-	Becky Souissi / Emily Eaton
Mince Pie Director/Deputy	-	Terry Ward / Nick Farley
Junior Coach/Leader	-	Simon Nixon
Social Secretary	-	Anneka Redley/Kristiane Sherry
Newsletter Editor	-	Deb Plant tbc
Press Officer	-	Katherine Elton tbc
Kit Organiser	-	Hilary Humphreys
Website Organiser	-	Tony Humphreys
Social Media Rep	-	Shared role
Cross Country Rep	-	Luke Borland
Grand Prix Rep	-	Matt Franks
Club Grand Prix Rep	-	Chris le Beau
Club Welfare Officer	-	Rob Plant
Junior Welfare Officer	-	To be confirmed by new Junior Committee

8. Mince Pie Report

No report received in Terry Ward's absence.

9. Juniors Report

No report received in Simon Nixon's absence

10. Sussex Grand Prix

2018 was a good year for the Club with an overall team position of 3rd together with a number of individual awards as well. A great team effort. The list of events for 2019 has been published and there will be two extra this year. All Senior Club members are encouraged to take part and if they are EA affiliated they will be recorded as representing the Club. RP will ensure SGP events are mentioned regularly on Club nights.

11. Club Grand Prix

CLB reported that there was excellent participation in the Club Grand Prix last year and he hoped this would continue in 2019. The list of events for 2019 was published in the last newsletter. Some of the parkruns will be scored using age grading. The scoring for 2019 will revert to the top 20 positions for men and women.

12. Website

TH reported that general updating and changes had been made to the website including new header photo, new sections on Training and Education and one for Club documents. The awards pages had been rationalised, all race references had been moved to the Race heading

and a Facebook widget had been added. The unused calendar has been removed and a link to MemberMojo had been added.

MemberMojo has made joining/renewing much easier for members and has made communication with different types of members much easier for Club officials. Please renew your membership if you haven't done so already and check your personal details are up to date.

13. Club Rules, Regulations & Code of Conduct

VM reported that the current Club rules are available on the Club website, but it is time to carry out a review to ensure they are kept relevant and appropriate. It was also suggested that the Club should have a Code of Conduct. VM asked for volunteers to help review and produce updated Club documentation. Lauren Morgan, Graham Jones and Richard Honeyman all agreed to help with this.

14. Kit buying process

HH reported that EA had approved the new sapphire blue Club colours so members now have a choice of wearing either black with white lettering or sapphire blue with black lettering at official events with immediate effect (if the Club is putting forward a relay team or equivalent all members would need to wear the same colour).

HH also confirmed she was looking to reduce existing stock. Future orders must be pre-paid and will be put in monthly. Members will also be able to purchase direct with Intersport in person as they will hold stock of Club colours. New members will be given a voucher to take into Intersport. The cost of shirts will remain the same.

15. Striders Strider Voting Process

RP expressed his surprise at the low number of votes received for the Striders Strider award and asked those present how the number of votes could be increased for this award next time. It was suggested that a ballot box with voting slips could be provided on Club nights in December to remind people to use their vote. It was also suggested that all members who vote are put into a prize draw.

16. Any Other Business

The next C25K will start on Tuesday 30th April 2019. As last year participants are asked to preregister by emailing <u>info@seafordstriders.org.uk</u>

17. Date of Next AGM – Wednesday 19th February 2020

18. <u>Close</u>