



AGM Minutes

Shelton Striders AGM Meeting

8pm, Friday 23rd March 2018

Boulton Lane Community Centre

Attendees:

K Milwain, S Wells, C Hopkinson, R Green, P Holden, Tim Spate, Marie Standley, L Meakin, S Cooper, S James, D Askew, N Trickey, L Cubiss, S Cartwright, I Patheyjohns, R Tissington, J Evans, D Turley, H Turley, C Hopkinson, C Donald, A Nerys, A Brooks, C Hopkinson, L Hart, D Keegan, J Corby, M Kerr, G Mayfield, G Pickering, C Ongoma, D Duffy, G Thompson, D Pickering, I Crompton, A Holden. (36).

1. Secretary's Opening Comments.

R Green discussed the Agenda (see Appendix 1). Then identified the fire exits and muster point. Last year's minutes had been posted on line (no paper copies for environmental issues) several members had reviewed the minutes and agreed they were a true representation of the previous AGM. At this point the attendance number (36) was deemed too low to be quorate (40 or 25%). It was decided to continue with the Agenda with the exception of the official vote on fees. The vote on the new Committee could continue as it had been open to electronic voting and 62 members had voted prior to the meeting.

2. Chair's Address (P Holden)

Our achievements this year include C25K completion, following which a number of the participants have become members, some expressing an interest in helping with the next C25K!

We have more qualified coaches, which can support the high Wednesday night attendance. Attended EA workshop & secured a 'ClubRun' experienced EA coach to come and help develop our coaching in 2018.

We've attended a wide variety of events – Road races (winning the RunDerby championship), fun runs, fell races, trail races, cross country, handicaps and relays including about 20 teams in the Hairy Helmet. We have subsidised trips and relays where members have applied and we could support.

We have supported Ramathon as pacers and marshals, we have supported Brooksies Bash & other Peak Running events and we've helped at a number of other local events, including Parkrun.

As well as the success of our fabulous 10K, we introduced, thanks to Sam Pearch and friends the inaugural Mackworth Challenge Marathon, which despite the weather, was deemed a success by those who could join.

Yet again we have raised a great amount for our chosen charity, both through individual efforts and co-ordinated events such as the Hill Climb Challenge and the fantastic Ceilidh, which were both very well attended.

Our presentation evening went very well, we responded to feedback from the previous year and we continue to welcome suggestions for improvement and volunteers to help organise in future.

In the background, the committee have been doing a lot of work this year and I would like to thank each and every one of them. Everyone has contributed to different aspects, but I would particularly like to highlight the amount of work put in by Chris Hopkinson, Richard Green and Paul Webster who have worked tirelessly on the constitution, bye laws and welfare for the benefit of the club.

We also now have a representative on the building committee in the form of Ian Crompton and Chris Hopkinson has liaised with council on the subject of fire safety. The number of volunteers (on and off the committee) who help and support this club never ceases to amaze me and it is what makes us a truly great club.

Next steps:

- Benchmark other clubs to understand how Junior sections managed.
- New Couch to 5K course
- Look at local championships/county representation/Masters etc
- Continue supporting events and trips
- Carry on the good work

3. Treasure's Address (M Standley)

See Appendix 3.

A summary of the cash flow was presented. Generally the income covered expenditure. The balance sheet looks like a deficit but this is due to showing cash flow for one financial year; some cash is moved and kit stock income is carried forward. Income has also come from the Shelton 10k and Toyota's grant.

The Awards Night was a success but did not break even – some thought into costs of the Awards Night needs to be considered for next year.

The club also invested in training (welfare, safe-guarding, LiRF and coaching).

In future any expenditure will need to be matched by receipts, as far as possible.

It should be noted that Brooksie's Bash broke even for the club, but made a profit for charity.

4. Membership Secretary's Address (T Spate)

There are presently 271 members (36 of which are junior members). This is made up of 147 male and 124 female members. The demographics being: 10 under 16yrs, 39 16-19yrs, 9 in their 20s (a note of concern that this is under represented) and 10 in their 70s. There are 195 first claim members, 62 social members and 14 second claim.

Having members only at the track and the C25k has increased the membership.

It was noted that a few more first claim members would add another London Marathon place allocated to the club.

The use of the EA portal for on-line payment seemed painless and easy to use. It makes the Membership Secretary's task much easier – and overall it is felt worth the small service cost. Gareth was thanked for putting the system in place last year.

5. Shelton10k Report (P Holden)

The Shelton Striders 10k continues to go from strength to strength. The 2017 race saw a number of considerable challenges which we not only came through, we blew them out of the water!

The new road development and the general increase in Sunday morning traffic was making the old route more and more difficult to manage safely and for the first time ever, we had marshals who helped in 2016's race saying that they would not do so again because of the dangers and risks. We also needed an ever increasing number of marshals, meaning that few of our members could ever run our own race. So a new course was developed, designed, tested, redesigned, tweaked, adjusted, started over again and finally settled upon. It was then measured, new risk assessments done, new marshalling positions created, new start area organised etc. Further challenges were thrown our way as several of our usual major players were unable to be there on the day.

Whether it is seen as a challenge or an achievement, we were also faced with our first ever sell out. We increased our race limit a couple of years ago, from 450, a number we had never reached. This year, we allocated 500 places and they were all filled.

One of our goals was to create a course that needed fewer marshals, freeing our members up to run. There is no doubt that this was achieved. Of the marshals that we had, we have probably never had so many from outside of the club, with significant help from organisers and marshals from other local races. Striders helping at events such as the Derby 10k, the Ramathon and the Wilne 10k, was repaid in kind. Continuing to support other local races has helped our race and our club too and long may this mutual support continue.

The biggest Shelton Striders 10k in our history saw us raise a lot of money; for the club and for the charity whilst the feedback from runners was universally positive. It remains a small, local, friendly race but one that punches way above its weight. The race committee do not see this changing, there is no ambition to make the race grow any bigger, we just want to further build on our excellent reputation. A race that reflects the club behind it.

2018's race will be on the same route as 2017's and we plan to use the fact that it sold out as a selling feature. We don't expect it to sell out in a few minutes like the Ashby 20 does but we plan to advertise it as a race that sold out and that people will need to enter early to avoid disappointment. We will announce a date when entries will open and try to build excitement towards it.

We also plan to use the race as a platform for helping the Padley Centre. All race communication will include encouraging runners to bring an item to donate on race day and will also advertise our justgiving page, as well as the usual contribution from entry fees.

We do have one significant challenge already with this year's event. James Walker has done a great job in recent years organising race numbers, being our technology guy and a big part of the behind the scenes organisation. We need a volunteer to come onto the race committee in his place and take on some or all of what he did. Please help, the race and all of the money that the club makes from it, depends upon our volunteers.

Thanking all of the people who do volunteer is a good place to end; the committee members for all they do and also everyone that helps in any way on the day....thank you.

Dave Nunn

P.S. 7th October 2018 is the date for your diaries

6. Charity Report (P Holden)

2017 saw the club supporting the Head and Neck Oncology Team at the Royal Derbyshire Hospital, the team that have been helping Hayley. Although the obvious bit of what they have been doing for Hayley has been about her treatment and care, the most important bit was probably before

that, when after months of nobody being able to identify what her symptoms were caused by, their state of the art technology spotted the problem and led into her treatment and recovery. If the problem had not been found when it was, the outcome might have been very different.

The money that the club raised, £7,250, will be used to update the diagnostic tools that the team have and will truly save people's lives.

We have now raised £30,000 in the few years that we have been identifying a charity every year and this is achieved by lots of people doing lots of things. Last year we had more and more events added to our running and social diary which also contributed to our efforts. As well as long standing events such as our 10k, the Furnace Inn Boxing Day Run, the 20k, Dave Thornton's quizzes and the Hill Climb Challenge, there was Sam's new laps run, the now annual Barn Dance, lots of events, runs and food, organised by Andy & Chris from Peak Running and scores of others.

2018 sees us supporting the Padley Centre and already we have raised several hundred pounds and made donations of clothing. The goal for this year is as well as giving a big cash contribution that we can look back and say that we also gave x hundred blankets, x hundred hats, gloves, scarves etc.

There will be several collections of specific items through the year. For example, we plan to use the 10k as a springboard for donations. All of our publicity will include asking runners to contribute, through the justgiving page and also by encouraging every one of them to bring one warm item to donate on the day.

I would also ask you all to think about buying one extra item per month when you go shopping; either an item of toiletries, a pair of socks, underwear or gloves, something small that you can afford but when it is added with everything else that your clubmates collect, it will make a huge difference. We don't have room at the club to collect them but please put them aside and we will collect several times through the year.

If any of you are running an event and someone asks if you are doing it for charity, or if you have never done a charity run before and aren't sure how to go about it, or if you just want to piggyback on our fundraising, we have set up a club justgiving site which any member can use or direct people towards. All anyone needs to do is go on to justgiving and search for Shelton Striders. That's it. Anyone can then donate, it could not be easier.

We have already raised more money this year than we did in the whole year when we first started this idea, and we haven't really started yet! Thank you everyone for all of your efforts and ideas.

Dave Nunn

7. Vote on the Proposed Committee Members for the next year.

See Appendix 4

The proposed committee had been published online and an email vote allowed. Names of those voting was logged (see Appendix 4). Anyone who voted online did not vote again if they attended the meeting. Voting online was a yes vote for the entire committee (all seconded by R Green) and anyone that had any issues was requested to attend the AGM. Due to the numbers voting online this vote was quorate.

Proposed Committee:

Chair – P Holden

Secretary – G Mayfield

Treasurer – M Standley

Membership Secretary – T Spate

Welfare Officer – C Purslow

Welfare Officer – S Pearch

GMs – Steve Wells, Ian Patheyjohns, K Milwain, T Bentley.

Vote carried unanimously.

8. Membership Secretary's comments regarding the proposed Fees

See Appendix 2.

G Pickering asked about the float for Friday. It was agreed that the Treasurer could provide petty cash as a float for milk, birthday cards etc.

It was noted that it would be easier on the coaches not having to collect cash – but they would have to monitor attendance for non-members.

Not being quorate the AGM could *not* vote on the proposal and it was decided to provide an email vote available to all members – action G Mayfield. T Spate identified that this would need to be conducted soon as payments to the EA portal could begin in April.

9. Any Other Business

The Chair thanked the outgoing committee members for their hard work in 2017.

There was a discussion regarding Friday night attendance. It appears the attendance at track and Darley is healthy but the numbers on Friday has declined. The general consensus was that Friday night sessions needed a refresh:

- The speed of the groups needs better regulation and better fit the attendees.
- Run routes/pace could be posted online in advance (like other clubs).
- The groups should have dedicated leaders and maybe could use the LiRFs.
- Friday meeting needs more structure – it was felt to be confused and newer members were nervous about the run groups. It was suggested that the organisation had relaxed, over the last 12-18 months.

It was decided to leave finding a solution to the new Committee.

Appendix 1 - Agenda

1. Opening address by the Secretary, confirmation of previous year's minutes (no hard copies – see website, *save the planet*) and safety moment.
2. Decision on if the Agenda is quorate (by the Secretary).
3. Chairpersons Address, outlining the work conducted over the last year.
4. Treasure's address, provided a summary of the Club's accounts.
5. Membership Secretary's address.
6. 10k Committee address.
7. Open questions from the floor to the Committee named positions (Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Secretary and Welfare Officer).
8. Vote on the proposed Committee members for the year ahead.
9. Membership Secretary to present the proposal for the changes to the fees structure. Questions and answers to follow.
10. Vote on the proposed membership fees structure for the year ahead.
11. Any other business from the floor.

Appendix 2 – Fee Proposal

The committee is proposing a substantial overhaul of subscription fees, simplifying the price structure and increasing fees to replace track and club night fees.

England Athletics Fees

England Athletics registration fees have and risen substantially in recent years and will continue to do so. For the 2018/19 season the cost of EA registration is £15 per member. Our Social membership category was created to save members who do not wish to represent the club in competitive events, or just don't run, the cost of EA registration. Freezes in the membership fee in recent years has meant that the payment differential between Social and Competitive no longer reflects the cost of EA registration. While encouraging most members to be registered we are looking to restore the fee differential to avoid Social members effectively cross-subsidising EA fees.

Club Night Fees

We are also proposing a one-off membership fee increase to replace both the club night 50p and Wednesday night £1 track fees. This is an idea that has been mooted before to remove an administrative burden on the treasurer, club coaches and all members attending the sessions. It is made easier by new policies restricting non-member access to the sessions. It also serves to remove any scope for, or suspicion of, abuse of the honesty box system. By replacing both fees, we aim to be fair to members who regularly just attend one of the sessions each week.

Family Membership

While recognising the club's strong family ethos, with increases in EA fees the cost to club of offering a Competitive family membership at £40 is no longer sustainable. It's also unnecessary – most of our junior members do not need England Athletics registration. There is no registration requirement for members running in the junior races at Derby Runner League Cross Country events, or competing in the club fun run championship. To simplify the fee structure to ease administration (the EA web portal has no support for the family/group membership concept), we are proposing to remove the family membership category completely, but set junior membership fees at a level that enables us to continue to encourage our junior membership.

Proposed Fees 2018/19

	<i>Social or Second Claim Membership</i>	<i>Competitive Membership (inclusive of £15 EA Registration)</i>
Adult	£15	£30
Junior (under 18s)	£5	£20

Appendix 3 – Financial Balance Sheet

Source	Income	Expenditure
Carry forward from 2015/21016	£5,320.48	£0.00
Door on club nights / room hire	£826.67	£900.00
Membership / EA subscriptions	£1,117.54	£295.00
Kit Sales / purchases	£683.00	£1,419.98
Track	£1,042.95	£1,007.10
Trophies	£22.00	£847.20
Club trips	£490.00	£1,289.47
Physio	£0.00	£0.00
Catering	£0.00	£135.46
Gail	£0.00	£150.00
Presentation Night	£855.00	£1,474.75
10K sponsorship	£2,000.00	£0.00
10k entries	£0.00	£0.00
Run Derby	£0.00	£100.00
Breakfast	£0.00	£0.00
Donations	£1,360.20	£66.50
Other	£0.00	£7.00
Brooksies 10 mile Charity race *	£2,044.50	£3,513.98 *
Marshalling	£0.00	£0.00
Leaders course	£294.36	£620.50
	£10,736.22	£11,826.94
Net income / expenditure:	-£1,090.72	

* Brooksies Bash started off as a Striders event.
 Transactions were made through Striders account.
 The event broke even.
 Not all receipts were in this financial year, some were prior to 31st March.
 Donation by Striders was £113 towards Marshalls refreshments.

Due to pay during next month

	£0.00	£0.00
Carry forward into 2018/2019	£0.00	-£1,090.72
	£10,736.22	£10,736.22
Carried forward allocated funds		£2,140.00

Appendix 4 – Internet Votes for 2018 Committee

Alex Hall	Sally Cartwright	Martin Kerr	Julie Corby	Gail Thompson
Amy Clark	Samantha James	Matt Bailey	Jamie Atkinson	Gerrard Moss
Alison Nunn	Sharanjit Singh	Matthew Lynas	Janet Wheatcroft	Gerry Mayfield
Andy Holden	Charlotte Convey	Nurkan Dogruel	Jerry Evans	William Glossop
Angela Monk	Steve Cartwright	Patrick Munro	Will Gregory	Louise Hart
Brian Budd	Stephen Hawkins	Paul Phillips	Ian Jones	Helen Heywood
Catherine Clifford	Tiffany Upton	Robin Hutchinson	Matthew Henning	Helen Smith
Chris Hopkinson	Tim Bentley	Rebecca Emerton	Dave Keegan	Helen Andrews
Dean Ward	Tracy Hepburn	Richard Green	Lee Meakin	Dave Williams
Daniel Craven	Vicki Hutchinson	Richie Wheatcroft	Louise Surgay	Julie Dolphin
David Thornton	Steve Aynsley	Richard Tissington	Luke Bremmer	Dorothy Pickering
Emma Roe	Sam Pearch	Jacqui Habgood	Luke Inglis	David Duffy
Sally Winterton	Margaret Cowling			