



AGM Minutes

29 March 2022, 8.00pm

The Crown and Greyhound, Dulwich Village

Attendees

David Mullany	Will Simpson	Harriet English	Ian Fernandez
Emma Heath	Clare Dunne	Rachel Jones	Georgia Coxhead
Nicole Teszke	Emma Pond	Claire Owen	IB Lilley
Gillian Cavell	Sonia Burrows	Lucy White	Steve Lewis
Emma Embleton	James Hewlett	Jess Hodgson	Katia Hadaschick
Laura Griffin	Derek Arnold	Natasha Bell	Zach Braedemar
Maurice McParland	Spenser Lane	Lucy Hayhoe	Raissa MsSkimming
Karen Azaadi	Lesley Young	Alice Marsh	Mark Schofield
Nat Lowe			

Apologies

Lou Fernandez	Angela Emmott	Martha Brownlow	Lucy Ross
Susan Smith	Anna Gregorowski	Dave Harris	Rosemary Harris
Linda Talbot	Linda Griffiths	Paula McMahan	Ella Harold
Tim Griffiths	Oghene Aaron	Alan Brown	Heather Larson
Zoe Wilson Young	Becky Furlong	Caroline Brennan	Barbara Wren

Agenda

1. Welcome and Meeting Protocols

David welcomed attendees to the 38th AGM of DPR.

2. Minutes of 2021 AGM and matters arising – minutes attached

Emma H referred to question around compulsory EA registration raised at 2021 AGM. Following consultation with members it was agreed that EA registration would remain compulsory. No further matters arising

3. Chair's Report on DPR, April 2021-March 2022

- Increase in membership – 128 this time last year. Now 189. Club has a high degree of financial security.
- Sunday events – slow at start of the year; picked up now – Successful trips to BPP, Sussex, Surrey Hills, etc.

- Cross country – Thank you to captains, Alan and Emma. Very high attendance, particularly women. Took part in national cross country championships for the first time.
- Handicap – Thank you to Alan. Very successful year – increased average participation to 24.
- Summer league disrupted by Covid – only had three events. Dulwich attendance at the Regents park event was disappointing but otherwise quite successful. A big thank you to Lucy for coordinating and in particular for organising the Dulwich Park event. And we moved off bottom of the table.
- Completed full programme of club championship races – Thank you Sonia
- Two successful parkrun ladders – 78 participants in the Winter ladder
- Funded three members to complete Coaching course – Paula, Zach and Katia
- Susan ran x2 Intro to Faster Runners courses
- Record attendance levels at beginners courses – thank you to all helpers.
- Good range of social events. Thank you to Clare Stephen for organizing trip to velodrome; Mark for pizza night; Angela E and Emma H for annual dinner; Will for quiz night
- Raised over £500 for club charity
- Members’ Survey – received lots of good ideas and although not a satisfaction survey, the responses indicated high satisfaction levels.
- Thank you to all committee members. And a particular acknowledgment to Oghene and Derek who are stepping down after several years’ service.
- Messages for members for 2022 – Encourage all members to walk back after finishing races to cheer on other members still running; and please attend more events! The club cannot achieve success without members talking part.

4. Club Plan 2022-3 – Draft plan attached

- Plan runs from Jan – Dec 2022 (in comparison to previous year;s plan which matched the membership year of April 2021 to March 2022. Using the calendar year brings the plan into line with the budget.
- Mission and values haven’t changed
- Aiming for 200 senior members by end of 2022 – realistic target
- Regular running opportunities: informed by survey, we are going to expand our offering.
- Increase to 12 socials a year and 2 field trips per year
- Some demand in survey for non-running activities – 1 or 2 this year
- Communications under review

5. Election of Committee 2022-3 – details attached

- New committee announced
- Georgia asked if the social sec role be done by more than one person? Yes, we are open to role sharing.
- Maurice asked about changing the time of the Tuesday evening run. Will be discussed at next committee meeting
- in the absence of more than one person standing for each post all those standing for the committee were approved:
 - Chair-David Mullany
 - Secretary- Emma Heath
 - Kit Secretary: Emma Pond
 - Treasurer IB Lilley
 - Membership Secretary -Jess Hodgson
 - Races Secretary Sonia Burrows
 - Communications Secretary James Hewlett
 - Welfare Officer and Social Secretary posts remained vacant

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6. Approval of 2021 Accounts – report attached

- Made large surplus of £7215.
- Biggest expenditure – rent and socials
- Accounts for 2021 were approved

7. Agreement of Membership Fees and Budget 2022 – report attached

- Budget assumes membership fee of £30, with a predicted reduction in the number of sign ups for beginners courses, more expenditure on rent, on socials and medals and on subsidized kit. Would still expect to make small surplus of £850
- If Membership fees set at £30 plus EA fee £16 plus vest for new members at £20 = £66. If we reduce to £25 it would balance the budget and there would be no surplus expected at end of the year.
- Lucy W questioned if anyone had ever complained about fee being too high. DM responded that there had not to his knowledge
- Georgina asked how do we compare to other clubs? DM responded that the net fee is relatively high but we do offer free coaching on Thursday nights so those who attend the coaching get very good value indeed
- Nat asked about any unexpected costs that could happen during the year? DM responded this was unlikely. Our rent is subject to an agreement with DCSC and the club can control other costs
- Members voted on whether to keep fee at £30 or decrease to £25. Narrow majority for retaining fees at £30.

8. AOB

- SB informed the meeting in the new arrangements for the awarding of medals – as per paper
- Will asked about moving from clubhouse to new pavilion at Streatham and Marlborough Cricket Club as discussed a couple of years ago. DM replied that the building of pavilion still hasn't started as the cricket club ran into funding and planning issues but they are still hoping to go ahead
- Clare D asked about any communication from our charity. Response from DM: we shared letter from them in a newsletter thanking us for our donation but we have not visited them to forge closer ties
- The London Marathon Marshall Ballot took place. The one marathon place available went to Zoe Wilson Young, First reserve is Adam Tzeske; 2nd reserve is Ollie Gilbert
- The meeting closed at about 9.30pm