**ENGLISH ROAD RUNNING ASSOCIATION**

Chairman: Mike Neighbour

**Minutes of ERRA Annual Open Meeting**

**Hallmark Hotel, Midland Rd, Derby DE1 2SQ 18/05/19**

**Present**: Mike Neighbour (MN), Bob Brimage (BB), Anne Brimage (AB), Graham Heeley (GH),

Jean Simpson (JS), John How (JH), Ken Smith (KS), Steve Gaines (SG), Rita Brownlie (RB), Pete Shaw (PS), Joe Mower( JM).

**Apologies:** Judith Temperton, Arwel Williams, Ian Clarke

**Minutes of 2018 AOM**

Minutes of the 2018 Annual Open Meeting were presented and agreed as a true record

Proposed GH, Seconded AB

**Matters Arising**

JS reported that the additional coats that were required had been paid for. JS also reported that an auditor had been appointed at a cost of £50.

**Secretary’s Report**

BB reported that once again we had fulfilled our constitutional obligation of holding 2 meetings per year with meetings on 25/7/18, and 13/2/19. We are grateful to EA for allowing the use of their offices at Alexander Stadium. Two Championships had taken place at Sutton Park. The Men’s 6 stage, ladies 4 stage and Young Athletes relays were held on 6/10/18 and the Men’s 12 stage, Ladies 6 stage and Young athletes 5k races were held on 6/4/19.

Results of all races are available on Sportsoft website and via a link on ERRA website.

BB thanked Mike Neighbour, Jean Simpson, Ken Smith and the outgoing committee for their support during the last 12 months and Ian Clarke for his continued assistance with the race routes. Bob also thanked Start Fitness for supply of numbers and race tape for all our championships.

RB asked about the young athlete 5k races at the April event as she thought they were not well supported. RB said that it was agreed to hold them for a 3 year trial period and review after that.

**Treasurers Report**

JS presented a full breakdown of Income & Expenditure and reported an overall loss of about £5k with approx. £3.7k of the loss for the screening of the October relays. There was a small loss of £400 for April relays and a profit of about £4k in October. It was also agreed to hold the championship entry fees to last year’s price. The current balance in the account is £122819.78

**Championship Secretary’s Report**

KS presented his report. This showed that Stockport won the men’s 6 stage from Leeds and AFD in a very close race with the teams only separated by 33 seconds. AFD had a comfortable win over Leeds and Tonbridge in the ladies 4 stage. The young athlete’s races were won by Tonbridge (u13G), C&C (u13B), Vale Royal (u15G), AFD (u15B), City of Norwich (u17W), Charnwood (u17M).

The men’s 12 stage saw a win for Leeds from Bristol & West and AFD with Leeds ladies making it a double for the club by beating Herne Hill and Birchfield. The Young athletes 5k races saw wins for Scott Nutter (Barnsley), Jodie Martin (Kingston upon Hull), Ryan Martin (AFD) and Lizzy Edge (Rushcliffe) with team wins for Woodford Green with Essex Ladies, Newcastle Staffs and 2 for AFD.

A discussion followed as to the continued participation by the other home nations. It was agreed that we would invite 3 teams from each as guests.

KS also reported that a 5 year supply of medals would be purchased and held by the supplier Steve Millington and we would draw down on them when they were needed.

**Constitution changes**

There were no proposed amendments to the constitution.

**Election of Officers**

The following officers of the association were proposed by BB and seconded by MN and were duly elected.

 Chair Mike Neighbour

 Treasurer Jean Simpson

 Secretary Bob Brimage

 Championship Secretary Ken Smith

 Website Manager Ian Clarke

Northern Reps Arwel Williams, Judith Temperton, Pete Shaw

Midland Reps Graham Heeley, Rita Brownlie

South Reps John How (to arrange additional names with Linda Whitehead)

 JS has arranged for Roger Morley the be inspector of accounts.

**AOB:**

There were no items raised.

**Date of next meeting:**

The meeting closed at 11.55

The next meeting was arranged for Wednesday 7th August 2019 at 11.30