



ARMADA ATHLETICS NETWORK
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON
14th February 2011

Present: Paul Ross (EVH & Chairman) Keith Reed (EVH and Network Co-ordinator); Chris Carpenter (COPAC); Richard Warne and John McGhee (Plymouth Harriers); Sheila Houghton (Tavistock AC & BATS); Steve Rose and Dave Dane (Plymstock RR); Malcolm and Julie Elliot (IS); Chris Menlove-Platt. Kevin Williams and Bryan King (Plymouth Musketeers); Pat Paritt (East Cornwall H); Dave Hatch (Moorhaven RC); Sally Dean (Pack of 3); Kevin Stiff and John Smith (Tamar Trotters)

Apologies: Charlotte Lawson (RIE); Amanda Smith, Steven Romanski (Roman Gladiators)

Minutes of Previous meeting: Agreed as true record.

Introduction

PR gave details of year 3 funding application and panel process. PR also gave details of a meeting on March 16th with Nigel Rowe/Chris Mallender/Alex Copeland to discuss the way forward. The meeting will be attended by the Executive committee.

Brickfields – An update was sent out to all clubs but basically the work will not begin until mid March at the earliest. This means the Spring warm up will have to be transferred elsewhere. Training will not be affected on the track. No firm decision yet on the stand.

Website – KR has again been in contact with Allan Herdman and a meeting is planned urgently to sort out access.

Clock – Both clocks will be back at Brickfields for the weekend.

Composite Team – Armada SW league team in Div 1 of the SW league.
Agreed to fund league fees and 50% of coach fares from Forum funds (not network)
Meeting of the NJL team on Friday.

Coaching Courses

The Coaching Assistant course went ahead at Brickfields on 5th/6th February with 10 attendees. Feedback was good.

The athletics coach course has been rescheduled in Tavistock on 26th/27th March. We need to persuade coaches to attend. Sonya Ellis confirmed that there are bursaries available from Active Devon to fund 50% of the course fees. There was also a LIRF course in Plymouth held on 12th Feb with 19 attendees. No confirmed date for the CIRF course as yet, but it is believed to be in the Autumn.

Westward League – Both fixtures held on Sunday 16th January at Bideford and last weekend at Bovey Tracey went well. Good performances from Network athletes and also in the schools events.

Finances We now have a new treasurer who is John Smith from Tamar Trotters.
Memberships are now due from clubs

3K/5K events:

Last 3K was well attended by 96 people. Good mix of new runners, club runners and juniors.
Last 3K of the season will be on Wednesday 9th March (7.00pm) due to a PAFC match.

It was agreed to run a 5K series at Saltram on the second Wednesday of each month from April to August. Cost will be £2 to cover hire of venue. PR to raise licence application.

We will also organise a race in September over 10K on a Saturday evening.

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Plans are well in place for the race this weekend. This is the first time a major road race has been held without Police support so we need to ensure everything is covered.

- Race will be sold out.
- Good coverage of marshals.
- Tamar Trotters and EVH working at finish.
- Staff allocated to sign course (pre signing done)
- Plans in place to manage roadworks
- Clubs to brief entrants
- MP3/IPODS etc not allowed.
- We have a wheelchair entrant – 4 marshals at back of race.
- Fun Run 9.45am

The Runners Fayre will follow the prizegiving – details sent to clubs/press etc.
Two good workshops plus trade stands.

Network Progress report (KR)

KR gave an update of the progress in the last month (copy attached).
We need to make progress on club/coach development over next month..

Run in England Update

New groups being set up across the city. Need to ensure they are linked with clubs.
Clubs are also bringing in new runners.

Update on Weight/Gym facility and new initiatives

There is an urgent need to sort access for Moorhaven. Additional weights purchased. Funding to be agreed.

Run Britain Update

No change from previous. Plan is still to get Race directors to do applications on line from April. Some Cornish race directors have attended a Highways course.

AOB

- East Cornwall Primary Schools Cross country held at Dobwalls.wa very successful.
- Five Tors – April 10th
- Dave Dane said the first two Plymstock area Cross Country events had gone well
- KR stated that Ivybridge 10K entries are now coming in setadily
- Sally Dean agreed to move Downthomas Run back to July 2nd
- D Hatch suggested purchasing warning lights for vehicles to aid traffic management.
- Tavi 7 still has to definite date or race director in 2011. Tavi 13th will go ahead on April 10th.
- Plymouth Musketeers have now produced forms for the revised Hope 5 Date to be 25th June 2011.
- PR gave details of DRC funding gained by Louise Oates.

3 Positives and 3 negatives

All clubs were asked to present this
See separate sheet for findings

Next Meeting is on Monday 14th March at 6.30pm until 8.00pm – Windsor House