



Victory AC AGM 2013

Conference Room, Havant Leisure Centre. 28th November 2013

Present:

1. Malcolm Hagan
2. Belinda Harding
3. Jim Clow
4. Shelly Butler
5. Tony Butler
6. Martin Coles
7. Kevin McTaggart
8. Neil Tolfrey
9. Nicola Stott
10. John Cowlin
11. Mark Hay
12. Damian Hamilton
13. Mary Short
14. John Gallagher
15. Andrew Wright
16. Jan MacDonald
17. Pete Harding
18. Gary Heather
19. Paul Willcox
20. Rob Godwin
21. James Tolson
22. Mike Edwards
23. Mark Griffiths
24. Marilyn Crocker

The meeting opened at 19:45

1. Apologies:

- Ed Spencer
- Christine Gallagher
- David Walker
- Graham Foden
- Hamid Alamar
- Carol Tolfrey
- Suzy Walker
- Christine White
- Maria Lush
- Richard Mitchell
- Helen Anne
- Rob Davies
- Dave Morris
- Jo Gilholm
- Anne Panting

2. Items carried forward (numbering from 2012 Minutes)

10.1 – Sweeper System

There was debate on the operation of the sweeper system. The concept is really appreciated and is working well but there was some concern over the carriage of the First Aid Kit and whether people should be accredited/qualified to use it. **The meeting agreed that the process should be formalised and it was referred back to Committee to resolve.**

This was reviewed at committee and the decision taken not to continue using the First Aid Kit. For safety, the sweeper would carry their mobile phone on which they would need/have the HLC telephone number to inform them and the Head Coach of any difficulty encountered.

3. Approval of Minutes from 2012 AGM

Proposed by Jan McDonald, seconded by Neil Tolfrey.

4. Chairperson's Report – Belinda Harding

Thank you all for coming to this year's AGM.

This past year has been yet another successful one for the club as the club goes from strength to strength with new members joining the club. Encouraging and supporting new members is always important, and we appear to be doing well with new members joining.

This year we saw the club introduction of Honorary Membership which went to James Tolson and Mike Edwards.

This past year has also been very successful for one member of the Club, namely Dan Bailey, who won Gold in the World Long Distance Duathlon Championships in Switzerland.

The event which took place on Sunday 8th September involved a 10km run followed by a 150km cycle ride and then a 30km run. Dan is truly an inspiration for our running club. Our first 'gold medalist' Congratulations.

In the Road Race league, both the men's and ladies remain in Division 2, but the ladies are having an excellent season so far with both the A & B teams' top of the Division. The league now takes a break until January.

The Cross Country season is now underway, and the in the Hampshire Cross Country League on Saturdays both teams have managed to put in a full team – and I am sure that the Club captains will be very grateful for more runners to participate. The Today's Runner Cross County appear to have a better team representation.

The Hayling Billy 5 organised by Jon Gallagher, Suzy walker and numerous volunteers and this year's race raised money for:

Guide Dogs for the Blind and Hearing Dogs for Deaf People.

Further afield, the club has been represented in various marathons which is a great achievement and challenge for individuals. One marathon is clearly not enough for Beth Pirie and has only the Portsmouth Coastal in December to complete 6 for this year.

The Club handicaps continue to be popular and credit goes to Jan Macdonald for the Summer handicaps and Malcolm for the Winter handicaps for organising these events.

The relays are always popular with the Club. This year in the Emsworth to Basingstoke relay, the Ladies team came in first in the competing ladies teams. We also put teams in for the South Downs way Relay.

The Hayling Relay was also successful. The money raised, £592 and was donated to the local RNLI at the Hayling Lifeboat station.

The smooth running of the club relies on the contributions of many unsung heroes, who do various tasks in their own time. I feel that without them the club would not be as successful as it is. I will not name you all as I feel that I will miss some one out and I do not want to do that. I would like to thank all of the unsung heroes and I am sure you know who you are. If these people do not volunteer then certain the club would not be as successful as it is. So if you feel or think you would like to 'help' in making this club more successful then please feel free to volunteer and get involved with the Club.

Finally on a personal note, I would like to thank the committee members who perform vitally important tasks within the club.

5. Secretary's Report – Martin Coles

No report this year.

6. Treasurer's Report – Jim Clow

Please refer to the Account Summary (Appendix 1) for details of income and expenditure.

The club's finances are sound, and the current subscriptions of £16 for individual membership, and £24 for family membership, will not change for 2014.

Income and Expenditure

The main source of income is subscriptions, up by nearly £100 this year. We also received £168 from

the sale of Leisure Centre passes, and this year received a grant of £200 from the IBM Club towards the cost of trophies. We raised funds for the club at the Christmas and Annual Dinners, and from the Hayling Billy '5'. The club's main expense is the Havant Leisure Centre fee of £1,000, and we also pay a substantial amount in affiliation fees to the sport's organising bodies, and for trophies which are awarded to club members.

The Projects expenditure is decided by the committee based on the surplus from the previous year. In 2012/2013, this was spent on coaching, support for social functions and we bought some tents for use at various events. The account summary shows an overall surplus of £1,154 on the 31st of October. This includes £592 not yet paid to the RNLI, so the club's real surplus for the year was £562.

Charity Donations

Victory AC once again supported several charities, through the Basingstoke Relay, Hayling Billy '5' and Hayling Island Relay, raising a total of £2,289.

Outlook for next year

If we maintain membership at the current level of about 200, subscriptions will more or less cover the basic running costs of the club, although it is inevitable that expenses will continue to rise. The surplus from 2012/2013 will allow us to invest in the club next year.

7. Approval of Accounts

Approved by show of hands.

8. Resolutions

No resolutions this year.

9. Election of Officers and Committee Members

The following were elected at the meeting.

Chair – Belinda Harding

Secretary – Martin Coles

Treasurer – Jim Clow

Membership Secretary – Jan MacDonald

Committee Members:

Malcolm Hagan

Nicola Stott

Kevin McTaggart

Marilyn Crocker

10. AOB

10.1 – Selsey 10k

The AGM was informed of the club's intention to stage the Selsey 10k in 2014. This is being revived and the prime mover is Dan Bailey who lives and works in the area. He is the Race Director and is working

with the committee to ensure that not only can the race be staged successfully, that it is also financially sound. The club and local charities will benefit from the profits. Pete Harding gave a synopsis of the situation in Dan's absence.

10.2 – Handicaps

Gary Heather raised several points from his analysis of the summer handicap results from this year which were debated. These included:

Winter relief not fair as set time given for fast and slow runners.

Consider additional points for PBs

Removal of "old" runners from the lists

Update website with final results and standings.

Jan responded that she had inherited the rules and the complex spreadsheets when she took over and gave the meeting a rundown of how these worked based on Races, scores, bonus, series and winter relief. It was agreed that it would be referred back to committee to review prior to the new season start in March/April.

10.3 – Running Advice

Gary felt we should be able to offer more to runners to include kit, gait, breathing techniques etc. It was agreed that feedback could be given when sought from our coaches and other experienced runners.

10.4 - Safety

Gary suggested that everyone should give an In Case of Emergency (ICE) contact which the club could access and use should any issues arise whilst training or racing with the club. There ensued a debate over how this could be done using iCloud technology etc. but it was reiterated that this was very much a personal responsibility of the individual. The committee would debate further.

10.5 – Sports Relief Mile

This was being run for 2014 on 23rd March and Victory has been asked to partner HBC as before to run it. It would be scheduled for the afternoon to permit runners to attend the Eastleigh 10k in the morning.

10.6 - Handbook

This was raised again by James Tolson and there were mixed views on what could/should be done especially as we had a comprehensive website nowadays. The committee would seek volunteers to take it on.

10.7 – HBC Sports Awards

Dan Bailey would be nominated in the senior men's category. His gold medal at the World Duathlon Championships should be compelling evidence.

10.8 – Charity for Victory donations

Jan MacDonald wanted to know how we chose a charity for our major donations such as from the Billy 5. Members were urged to make suggestions from which the committee would decide.

11. Close AGM

The meeting closed at 2040.

Appendix 1 follows – details of the 2012/13 accounts.

Appendix 1

Treasurer's Report

November 2012 to October 2013

Account Summary

<u>Income</u>	this year/ £	last year	<u>Expenditure</u>	this year/ £	last year
Key items					
Subscriptions	2,372	2288	Havant Leisure Centre fees	1,000	1000
Leisure Centre Cards	168	216	Affiliation fees	587	477
IBM Club grant towards trophies	200	0	Trophies	695	546
			Expenses	107	72
			Equipment	42	0
			Projects	375	0
Subtotal	2,740		Subtotal	2,806	
Self funded items					
Entry fees	46	0	Entry fees	72	176
England Athletics registrations	640	360	England Athletics registrations	635	350
Kit	110	64	Kit	110	64
Relay events	265	150	Relay events	350	212
Subtotal	1,061		Subtotal	1,167	
Club run events					
Hayling Billy 5	2,323	2704	Hayling Billy 5	1,988	2250
Hayling relay	592	592	Hayling relay	0	592
Subtotal	2,915		Subtotal	1,988	
Social and charity items					
Charity sponsorship	497	675	Charity sponsorship	497	675
Annual dinner	1,620	2219	Annual dinner	1,394	2073
Christmas dinner	1,713	1434	Christmas dinner	1,540	1351
Subtotal	3,830		Subtotal	3,431	
Total	10,546		Total	9,392	

Bank Account

Balance on 01/11/2012	2,927	Cheques not cleared on 01/11/12	592
Income	10,546	Expenditure	9,392
Cheques not cleared on 31/10/13	15	Bank balance on 31/10/2013	3,504
Total	13,488	Total	13,488

Charity Donations

Meningitis Trust (Basingstoke Relay)	497	
Hearing Dogs (Hayling Billy '5')	600	
Guide Dogs Association (Hayling Billy '5')	600	
RNLI (Hayling Relay) - donation pending	592	
Total	2,289	(2,767 last year)