

## **Sutton Runners Committee Meeting – 7<sup>th</sup> October 2010**

### **Minutes**

**Present:** Anita Hedges, Mark Asten, Tony Gallagher, Claire Ballhatchet, Andrew Nippard, Charles Green, Therese Panetta, Graham Miller, Steven Barber,

**Apologies:** Neal Richardson, Barbara Burnett

### **Section A: Standard Items**

There were no standing items

### **Section B: Raised Items**

1. Committee Positions (Mark Asten)

Mark presented a proposal inviting nominations for committee positions prior to the AGM and also had some suggestions to the make up of the club committee. These included changing the president to a chair, reviewing the workload of the secretary, allowing extra members on to the committee in non-specific roles, appointing a lead coach and deciding which roles should be committee positions. After some discussion it was agreed that ordinary members would be allowed on the committee and that we would introduce the role of lead coach who must already have a coaching qualification. Each member of the committee was asked to document their responsibilities so that potential candidates could decide if they wanted to stand. The nomination forms and role descriptions would then be sent round the club prior to the AGM

2. Club Championships Awards and Venue (Andrew, Charles)

Charles presented a proposal to change how trophies are allocated at the club championships. The trophies would be unchanged but they would be awarded so that a MV40, MV50, LV35 and LV45 can all compete for trophies in the age categories below their current one but not above. This means a MV50 who comes 2nd in his category can still win a trophy as a SM or a MV40 if there are not more than 3 runners in those categories above him. These proposals were accepted by the committee and Graham will send them out to the club. Also after some discussion it was decided to book the function room at the Robin Hood on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October to award the trophies, which Andrew was going to order the following weekend.

3. Website Redesign. (Darrin Ormston)

Darrin attended the meeting and provided an update on the website design and showed the committee a draft version of the website on his laptop. There were a

few suggestions regarding modifications and Darrin agreed to take them away and present a modified version at the next committee meeting. Andrew thanked Darrin on behalf of the committee for the work he is doing for the club.

4. Coaching (Andrew)

There are more coaching courses which are available for members to apply for. English Athletics have changed the format of the courses so that candidates have to attend a four day course to obtain a level one qualification. Graham will send details out to the club and ask if any members wish to apply to go on the courses. They will need to fund the courses themselves and then can claim the money back from the club once they have done some coaching up the club over the course of a few months.

5. Club Questionnaire (Andrew)

Andrew advised the committee that based on the responses he has had back there was a narrow majority for moving the club away from its present location, however the reasons stated for moving in some cases was personal choice of location rather than safety issues. After some discussion Andrew agreed to produce a summary document to highlight the results of the survey and the key points made which would be sent round to the committee for their thoughts. However, the consensus of opinion was that a significant majority of the club should want to move location to justify it and that appears not to be the case based on all the feedback received.

**Any Other Business (All)**

There was no other business