



Lingfield Running Club Committee minutes

Date: 22 September 2022, 6pm

Location: Victoria Sports and Social Club

Attendees: Scott McDonald (SM), Tom Cartledge (TC), Dave Watkins (DW), Gary Spring (GS), Graeme Bennett (GB)

Apologies: Kath Garrido (KG) and Fiona Champness (FC).

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| 1. <u>Minutes of meeting on 25 August 2022</u> | |
| a. approved | |
| 2. <u>Matters arising</u> | |
| a. Club kit – wider range now on club website. | |
| b. Surrey League XC venue – DW to chase Ollie Garrod for minimum requirements again. | DW |
| c. Welfare Officers – Alison done safeguarding training, awaiting ‘time to listen’; Helen not sure if she is continuing with it (SM to check). We will advertise for replacement if Helen pulls out. | SM |
| d. LSA response still awaited. GB to do update para for newsletter. SM to chase LSA. If committee decides to pursue will need formal meeting and strong majority for move. | GB/SM |
| e. Cashless payment machine – GS/TC still to progress. | GS/TC |
| f. Survey monkey – GS enquiry revealed cost of £450pa, not £200 which FC mentioned. To be clarified for next meeting. | GS/FC |
| g. WhatsApp groups – GS did article for newsletter about being accessible to new members. | |
| h. XC fixtures – article done in newsletter. | |
| i. Parkrun takeover went v well. Thanks, Fiona. | |
| j. VSSC membership charge to LRC – GB had advised committee. No formal written agreement but LRC pays £250pa when invoiced, however large our membership. | |
| 3. <u>Treasurer’s report</u> | |
| a. Balance of £5,918 in account. Will still need to pass £108.72 from L10s to Age UK. | |
| b. Signatories – Nicky is now off, Clare next, then will add GB. | TC |
| c. L10s account – makes more sense to retain separate balance sheet for L10s rather than setting up new account. | |
| d. Xmas handicap charity – to discuss at next meeting. | GB |
| 4. <u>Review of inclusion policy</u> | |

- a. GB has circulated ideas for action plan. Please send comments & for discussion at next meeting. All
5. 'Welcome' for new members
- a. GS will send email confirming membership & welcome. Each month he will tell SM who they are for him to send his personal welcome. GS
- b. All new members are welcomed in weekly newsletter.
6. LRC race vests
- a. Report detailed four options for future procurement. Committee ruled out two - holding a full pool of vests and also using PB Teamwear online shop.
- b. Ways of increasing sales were discussed, as well as cost to be charged.
- c. Agreed to replenish stock up to budget of £500 (approx 20 vests). These to be held by club, not to go to Scimitar online shop. GB to liaise with Michelle. GB
7. Co-operating with other clubs in 2023
- a. Agreed we respond positively to suggestion of two joint weekday evening social runs with Oxted Runners next summer. GS
- b. Also agreed to explore further the idea for a 'three counties' tie up the club's Lingfield 10s with East Grinstead (Andy Ripley 10k) and Tunbridge Wells Harriers (Eridge 10) to boost numbers at all events. Captains to include in planning for GP events in 2023. FC/DW
8. Club's 40th anniversary
- a. In 2013 the club celebrated its 30th anniversary (although it wasn't formally constituted until Dec. '85).
- b. Agreed we should celebrate 10 years on, in 2023. SM will liaise in early planning with Dee (social side) and GS (celebratory run) in the summer. SM
9. Any other business
- a. Noted that Hartfield 10k has moved itself to 20 November, coinciding with another GP event, so will be dropped from 2022 GP list. This now comprises 14 events only.
10. Next meetings
- Committee meeting - Thursday, 20th October, 6pm

Postscript

Future agenda items; could you please email GB with suggestions for future agenda items, ideally seven days before the meeting.

Items for newsletter update

- Lingfield Sports Association has yet to respond to the list of queries we sent on 22 August. Until we receive a reply, we cannot consider this possible move any further.
- More Scimitar race vests to be ordered to maintain stock levels. Contact Michelle if you need one.
- Agreed two weekday evening social runs with Oxted Runners next summer.
- Agreed to explore tie up between Lingfield 10s, East Grinstead 10k and Eridge 10 next year.
- In 2013 the club celebrated its 30th anniversary with a BBQ and sports day. Therefore, we plan to celebrate 40 years in 2023.
- There will only be 14 Grand Prix events this year as Hartfield has moved to a date which clashes with another.

Final GP events are

- East Grinstead 10K - 9th October
- Surrey League cross-country - 15th October
- Titsey Trail Race - 16th October
- Reigate XC relays - 5th November
- Brighton 10k - 20th Nov.
- Tilgate parkrun - 3rd December