

HAMPSHIRE ATHLETICS - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON - FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2014 PARK SUITE, FLEMING PARK, EASTLEIGH

Present:

Pam Rogers (President) Colin Goater (Chair) Mike Williams (Secretary) Richard Dean (Treasurer) Mary Goater Michael Coker Betty Tabor Alan Cropp Christine Weeks

Apologies:

Reg Eade John Lofts Mike Barratt Kathy Bailey Mary Axtell (Vice Chair) Eileen Williams Terry Williams David Howells (Wessex RR) Sheena Fitzmaurice John Fitzmaurice Jackie Tobin David Churcher Christine Benning

Minutes from Meeting on the 12 September: Minutes accepted.

Matters Arising: No matters arising.

Secretary: Mike Williams

Details of SEAA Inter Counties, XC Championships prospectus from SEAA and the Indoor Championships prospectus received, all details have been passed to the relevant team managers.

Treasurer: Richard Dean

Please see full report attached.

Finance and Sustainability Sub Group: Michael Coker

A 2015 – 18 Hampshire Athletics Plan has been assembled covering all branches of the sport. This will assist with ongoing funding applications for development of athletics in Hampshire & IOW.

Cross Country Championships 3 January 2015: Pam Rogers

Pam liaises regularly with Jon Osman and the team from Eastleigh RC, who are organising the courses and the recruitment of marshals. The Under 11 Boys' and Girls' races will be increased in length to approximately 2000 metres

Pam also reported that all the infrastructure was in place, and the Officials' have been appointed. The Pavilion is not available, but alternative arrangements are being made. 50 entries received so far. The Saucony team to provide, tape, start and finish flags, the backdrop for the medal presentation and banners to go around the course.

Track & Field Championships: Richard Dean, Mike Williams and Christine Weeks

2015 Multi Event Championships, Quad Kids Events, 3000m and Mile Races: 4 May

2015 Track and Field Championships: 23 and 24 May

Track booked for the above dates at the Mountbatten Centre, Portsmouth.

Points raised by Official Secretaries' to be discussed in full at the meeting in January.

Team Managers:

UNDER 17 MEN - PORTSMOUTH 20 JULY 2014

Our men's team finished 5th out of 8 teams despite having key figures missing as they were competing at the SIAB Schools International at Cardiff.

There were good results in the middle distance races and I would like to thank Ian Byett for all his help filling the gaps. Joseph Wales, Matt Cromer, Danny Ray, Dylan Bardell, Jake Cvetkovic and Jack Boswell scored invaluable points for Hampshire from 800 through to 3000m. Field points were a mixed bag with the vertical jumps and the throws scoring good points. JJ Crookes produced some excellent performances to win the high jump and take 3rd in the Triple Jump. Samuel Wellington, Edward Hill-King, Eddie Jenkinson, Matthew Callaway and Ben Carter took care of the throws.

The relay squads gave excellent performances to finish 4th in the 4 x 100m and 3rd in the 4x400m which was a thrilling race from start to finish.

Well done to all those who played their part in this home match you gave a very good account of yourselves and made your team manager very proud. A Very big thank you to all the officials without whom the match could not have taken place and also to Richard Dean who scored the match and updated the website throughout the day. The athletes really appreciated your efforts, as did I.

Kate Longhurst - Team Manager

UNDER 20 MEN - COPTHALL BARNET- 3RD AUGUST 2014

The team finished 7th overall despite several athletes failing to make the journey to the Allianz stadium on the day. There were four events where there was no Hampshire athlete, mainly middle distance events, and one event where the athlete no heighted therefore no points were scored. A big thank you to those under 17 athletes who stepped up an age group and produced excellent performances to finish 3rd in their events. Well done Oliver Bromby and JJ Crookes.

Competition was fierce but the Hampshire contingent proved formidable on the day with everyone scoring points for the team in their event. Well done to all the athletes who represented Hampshire on the day and to Richard Dean for his assistance with the vests.

I hope that 2015 will bring greater success because Hampshire has some phenomenal athletes and we can do better than 7th.

Kate Longhurst - Team Manager

Reports are also published on the website:- www.hampshireathletics.org.uk

Joint Technical Officials Report: Eileen & Terry Williams

Our apologies for missing this meeting but we will only be returning from Venice Friday evening.

Our sub-committee met and have made the Cross Country Appointments and these have been circulated. Also at our meeting we invited Dave and Jackie Stenson and made a presentation to Dave in view of his retirement as a Starter after 40 years.

We are asked to bring the following points to the attention of the Championship Committee:-

- Need to ask Richard Dean to put no guests on entry form. This to include vets who wish to throw own implements.
- Issue with Southampton Camera Club being asked to take photos by organising Committee. Need to re-iterate Press Photographers only.
- The whole track needs to be roped off with a sturdy rope, not just small sections.

We held Level 2 Courses at Andover on 2nd November with 30 attendees a lot of whom were youngsters and good to see. Unfortunately we did not manage to get this course advertised on the Hampshire website so missed out on possibly more attendees. Thanks to all our Tutors. Also a request for an Endurance Officials' Course which Pam Rogers will deal with.

Our 20th Newsletter has now been emailed through UKA's Trinity database although we did have a few problems as it wouldn't download in view of the size despite our putting it into pdf. UKA eventually managed to reduce it even more and, although we could purchase a more advanced Adobe system, this would come at a cost! Eileen was presented with a Long Service Award to Schools Athletics Award at the annual HSSF awards evening at Winchester after 47 years involvement with Hampshire Schools.

Road Running: Colin Goater

Colin reported that chip timing was being used at some races now, and was proving to be a success. The road race league continues to be very successful.

Full details for the league and further races are available at :- www.hrrl.org.uk

Sports Hall: Michael Coker

The first 2014-15 Hampshire League match was at River Park, Winchester on 19 October, with good numbers of teams/ athletes competing. AFD have re- entered the League, Andover/ Overton have entered combined teams, however Mountbatten School are not participating this winter.

Dates and venues for the remaining 2014/15 League Matches are:-

23 November 2014 - Andover 25 January 2015 - Portsmouth 8 March 2015 - Eastleigh

As in 2014, Hampshire Athletics have been asked to make a financial contribution to the staging of the two 2015 Regional competitions at Burgess Hill.

Development: Michael Coker:

Over 50 Hampshire athletes made successful applications to the Hampshire Talented Athlete Scheme (HTAS). The scheme is funded by Hampshire County Council and attracted over 250 applicants across all sports. The scheme offers significant grants and other support to athletes for coaching and competition.

The first 2014-15 Hampshire County Coaching Day took place at Portsmouth on 20 September, and was attended by c.50 athletes and 15 coaches. Some new athletes attended and were linked to Hampshire Clubs. The second Coaching Day is at Andover on 29 November, and will have a strength & conditioning, physical preparation theme.

The Portsmouth Wheel Chair Race Group was launched in September 2014 and meets weekly. Jenny Archer (David Weir's coach) has committed to 3 coaching visits to assist the development of the group in the early stages.

A working group has been formed to investigate the possibility of a new parkrun in either Fareham or Gosport.

At the Hampshire Schools Annual Awards in Winchester on 6 November, 3 athletes received awards for outstanding performances (Ellie Hodgson, Mahamed Mahamed & Oliver Bromby). Additionally Eileen Williams was presented with a Long Service Award in recognition of 47 years involvement with Hampshire Schools Athletics.

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England Athletics: Christine Benning

Many congratulations to Mike Williams, he has won the England Athletics South East Region Officials Award, it will be presented to Mike later this month by Christine Benning.

Christine's latest report was circulated, and is also published on the website. email address for Christine is:- cbenning@englandathletics.org

Nomination for County President 2015/16

The Executive Committee members unanimously agreed to nominate **Kate Longhurst** as President for 2015/16.

AGM date agreed:-

Friday 13 March

Venue: Park Suite, Fleming Park Leisure Centre, Eastleigh, at 7.30 pm

Next meeting will take place on:-

Friday 9 January 2015

Venue : Park Suite, Fleming Park Leisure Centre, Eastleigh, starting at 7.30 pm

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