

## Treasurer Report July 2023

I would like to thank our host clubs for last season (Aldershot, Basingstoke, Bournemouth, Reading) for hosting and special thanks to Bournemouth for staging 2 meeting to give us our fifth fixture.

My last report mentioned that we would be monitoring costs as inflation was quite high last summer and whilst the rate of increase inflation has levelled off it is still rising. The committee appreciate that host clubs do try to minimise costs where possible but there has been an inevitable rise in costs last winter, with fixtures costs totalling £3691.50 for the 5 fixtures.

For comparison the last 3 seasons we costs were

£2,347.13 18/19 season (5 fixtures)  
£2,332.80 19/20 season (5 fixtures)  
£2,480.80 20/22 season (4 fixtures)

The main increase has been in the essentials of First Aid and the provision of toilets. For example, the cost for the portable toilets at Basingstoke increased by £81 and BMHAC were required to take out separate insurance cover (£97), which in light of the incident at Reading will probably be reflected in all toilet hire going forward.

Whilst we are awaiting our sponsor ship from Alton Sports, for which we thank them, without sponsorship we have run at a loss of £914.59.

The committee have therefore proposed that club affiliations be increased (this was last done in 2018 and before that in 2012) and the new affiliations fees being

Top tier        £200 from £150  
Middle tier    £125 from £100  
Lower tier     £60 from £50

Whilst the bigger clubs would have a 33% increase, the cost per runner over the season are still coming in at between £1 and £2 per race using last seasons figures.

I would estimate that had we used the proposed affiliation fees last season we would have made a small income surplus.

The committee would like to recommend that the following clubs pay the lower affiliation fee for the 2023/24 season: -

Lordshill Road Runners  
Hardley Runners  
Hedge End RC  
Isle of Wight AC  
New Forest Runners  
Isle of Wight Triathlon Club  
Romsey RR  
Guernsey  
Chapel Tri  
Victory AC  
Itchen Spitfires RC  
Ryde Harriers

The 7 clubs with the largest runner participation will continue to pay higher tier league affiliation,  
Winchester & District  
Aldershot, Farnham & District  
Basingstoke & Mid Hants  
Reading AC  
City of Portsmouth  
Southampton  
City of Salisbury

with all other clubs paying the middle band fee.

With the interest rate rise we have had Deposit account has moved from just £0.25 a month to over £3 per month giving us a balance increase of £23.89 for the last 12 months.

The Popplewell Trophy money now stands at £17.75

These accounts are provisional as due to other commitments I have only sent the account for audit this week and Dave Vosser is on grandparent duty in Scotland until the end of next week and unable to finalise them.

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Treasurer  
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