

Avon Valley Runners Committee Meeting



Held at Trowbridge Rugby Club on
Tuesday 2nd August 2022

Committee members present	
Martin Bull	Minutes Secretary
Emma Day	Membership Secretary (Admin)
Dave Hyde	Chair
Gemma Knudsen	Road Race Secretary
Jackie Rockcliffe	Committee Member
Laura Waterhouse	Honorary Secretary

The Chair opened the meeting at 20.38 pm

Item	Minute	Action
1	<p>Welcome and apologies for absence. Declaration of quorum.</p> <p>The Chair welcomed all.</p> <p>Apologies for absence were received from Carole Alston (Safeguarding Lead), Michael Guy (Off Road Race Secretary) and Sheona Yellowlees (Honorary Treasurer).</p> <p>The meeting was declared quorate.</p> <p>The committee were content for a current committee member who now has AVR as a second claim, to continue on the committee until the end of their term in early January 2023.</p>	
2	<p>Review and Approval of the minutes of the AVR Committee meeting held on 05/07/2022</p> <p>The minutes of the AVR Committee meeting held on 5th July 2022 were approved as a fair and accurate record of the meeting.</p> <p>The Chair gave updates on the following items from the July meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Container/Storage – Not yet finalised. DH is having more thought about it. • First Aid – Have spoken to the Rugby Club and will look to get 12 spaces. • EA Award Nominations - LW and DH will have to do a writeup. Closing date = 31st August. • Coaching – Had a meeting last week, including a representative from English Athletics (EA). Agreed to hold a monthly meeting on the first Monday of the month with the aim to work together. Noted that there will not be a Thursday session at BoA. • Long term coaching plan – Under discussion. • Social Media policy – This is being tightening up, mainly in regards to advertising on the members page. • Official AVR address – This was approved today, so TRFC is now the official AVR registered address. AVR will have two boxes in reception, one for post and one as a sort of swap box. 	<p>DH</p> <p>DH</p> <p>LW / DH</p>

3**Reports**

Reports to provide brief update to committee, with option to circulate detailed written report via Secretary for committee to discuss as required.

a. Treasurer's report

None.

b. Kit report

None.

c. Membership Secretary report

ED's membership report (given below) had been emailed to the committee before the meeting:

- 6 joined in July, including 4 brand new members.
- 1 of those that joined in July also applied for EA.
- Therefore, as of the 31st July there are 330 members, which includes 25 life members (so 305 paying members).
- Of the 330, 162 have applied for EA membership as well, and 35 of the 330 are new members this year.

d. Club captain reports**- Road**

GK's report had been emailed to the committee before the meeting, which was as follows; "In terms of road racing for July, there were lots of AVR runners out and about at Westbury 5k, Yeovilton 5k, Chippenham River Run and the Langley Burrell 10k and some great performances.

For league racing, there was the second Heddington 5k series but unfortunately that was during one of the very hot days so we didn't have a huge turn out. It's the best of the series to count though and we had lots of runners at the June event and hopefully will have more at the final race in August. I'll start trying to encourage people to sign up for that and also the Compton Bassett 5 mile race which is coming up. Fingers crossed we can hold on to our lead at the top of the league table - we're currently 6 points ahead of Chippenham and our B team is in 6th."

- Off Road

MG's report had been emailed to the committee before the meeting, which was as follows; "Great turnout for AVR at the Hazelbury Hurrah, with some terrific performances on a challenging course. It's the sort of turnout I'd like to see in the Wiltshire league races so will really push those. The Bowerhill Bomber and Mells Scenic 7 were both cancelled and have been replaced in the club championship by the Piggy Plod (31st July) and Chedworth Roman trail 10 miles. The Piggy Plod has already happened with only 3 entrants from AVR, Drew Holloway was first AVR, and I beat my sister for second AVR. Next race is the Hilly Helmet."

- Avon Valley Triathletes (AVT)

LW read a report out.

e. AVR Youth

Debbie Ellis had emailed the committee before the meeting to report that; "As AVRY are not training at the moment and we have no news there will be no report this month".

	<p>f. Working group reports</p> <p>None.</p>	
4	<p>Committee updates and discussion</p> <p>a. Update on coaching</p> <p>None??? I have no notes from this section</p> <p>b. Committee roles and updates on applications</p> <p>Vacant AVT Secretary position - Only one person has applied; Caroline Scott. DH proposed that Caroline becomes AVT Secretary. The committee agreed.</p> <p>Tim Lowrie (Committee Member) and Sally Frawley (Assistant Secretary) have both resigned from the committee with immediate effect. Not looking to refill these positions. Carole Alston & MB have indicated that they will not continue after the end of their term of office in early January 2023.</p> <p>Permanent Chair position – Two applications have been received.</p> <p>Honorary Secretary position – No applications have been received.</p> <p>As the Chair position would need to be voted for at an Extra General Meeting the committee looked at dates for such a meeting. Friday 2nd Sept could be too soon, especially with summer / school holidays in August. Tues 27th Sept would be more realistic.</p> <p>c. AVR / Rugby Club Christmas party</p> <p>It was deemed to be too time consuming, and not a good time, to try to organise an AVR Christmas Party. AVR will instead promote the TRFC Christmas party on 10th / 16TH / 17th December. £20 includes band and buffet. WHICH DATE IS IT??</p> <p>d. Update on recent club situation</p> <p>Chair reported that we are nearly at the end of the road with this process.</p> <p>Have asked Steve to contact us, which he has.</p> <p>EA have supplied AVR with a suggested response.</p> <p>e. AVT</p> <p>Covered above in Item 4b.</p> <p>f. WAA meeting</p> <p>The next WAA meeting is on Tues 9th August. GK can't attend. Given the difficulty of finding a temporary replacement in August there is likely to be no AVR representation.</p> <p>Feedback though will be given to WAA that the Lacock Road Races - HM, 10km, 5km & 1km on 26th June 2022 (Relish Running) were inadequate in many aspects.</p> <p>g. BoA Lions Club 5k and 2k fun Runs</p> <p>The BoA Lions Club have emailed AVR about their runs on Sunday 18th September. AVR have supported this in the past, by lending them our finish funnel, timing systems, etc. 10am – 2k. 11am – 5k.</p> <p>AVR is happy to lend them the finish funnel and anything else they might like. Same level of support as before if we can. Vicky Ody may be a person well placed to help.</p>	
5	<p>AOB</p> <p>Complaint - DH has received quite a long complaint about AVT. Suggest they attend our next committee meeting, when the new AVT Secretary will hopefully be attending as well.</p>	

	<p>Free run places – AVR have been offered two free places at two events run by the 'Great Run' company if we can promote their events. The Great Bristol Run 10k / HM on Sunday 25th September, and the Great South Run 10 mile on Sunday 16th October.</p> <p>Agreed to promote their events and give the free places away to AVR members through an open ballot via the member's Facebook group.</p>	LW
6	<p>Remaining Committee Meeting Dates for 2022</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All due to be held at Trowbridge Rugby Club at 8.30pm on the first Tuesday of the month. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✘ Tuesday 6th Sept 2022 ✘ Tuesday 4th Oct ✘ Tuesday 1st Nov ✘ Tuesday 6th Dec 	

The Chair closed the meeting at 22.05pm

Signed:

Date:

Items to be Actioned later in the year and added to agenda for the appropriate meeting.

AGENDA ITEM	MEETING DATE	MINUTE NO.	DATE DUE TO REPORT	ACTION/ OWNER
None at present				