



Reading Roadrunners

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2019/20

Held 19:30 12Mar19 at Suttons Bowls Club, Lower Earley

1. Apologies were received from: Martin Bush, Jim Kiddie, Gareth Goodall, Adele Graham, Paul & Penny Kurowski, Toni McQueen, Brian Tavener
2. Minutes of the AGM held on 6Mar18: proposed as a true and accurate record of the meeting by Stephen Wing and seconded by Janice Thomas.
3. Annual reports delivered at the AGM are provided separately.
 - a. Chairman Carl Woffington
 - b. General Secretary Bob Thomas
 - c. Treasurer Nicole Rickett (absent)
 - d. Membership Secretary Anne Goodall
 - e. Social Secretary Hannah McPhee
 - f. Coaching Co-ordinator Katie Gumbrell
 - g. Ladies' Team Captain Sam Whalley
 - h. Men's Team Captain Phil Reay
 - i. Charity Report Kerry Eastwood

4. Proposal to update the Constitution & Rules

Bob Thomas presented on behalf of the Committee proposed changes to the Constitution and Rules that had been developed by the Committee over the year. The proposed changes:

- a. Constitution 4.1 Insert additional sentence regarding the Club holding no political or religious bias.
- b. Rule 5.1 Restrict eligibility for the London Marathon Club ballot.
- c. Rule 5.2 Clarify some aspects of the Rules pertaining to use of the Club's social media.
- d. Rule 7.4 Stipulate that the Coaching Co-ordinator is selected by ballot of the coaches.
- e. Rule 8.4 Enhance the transparency of any Supplementary Rule or Standing Order.
- f. Rule 8.7 Introduce a new Extraordinary Disciplinary Procedure

The assembly endorsed all the proposed changes by a unanimous show of hands.

5. Election of the 2018/19 Committee

With 85 voting members present, the threshold number of votes required to be elected to the Committee was 43. All candidates were duly elected.

Candidate	Position	Proposed by	Seconded by	Votes
Alice Carpenter	Ex-Officio	Liz Johnson	Matthew Brown	81
Simon Denton	Ex-Officio	Paul Monaghan	Jill Dibben	83
Jill Dibben	Treasurer	Tom Harrison	Jane Silvey	84
Anne Goodall	Membership Sec	Carl Woffington	Bob Thomas	85
Elizabeth Johnson	Social Secretary	Matthew Brown	Andrew Smith	84
Paul Monaghan	Ex-Officio (Media)	Caroline Jackson	Sandy Sheppard	77
Phil Reay	Chairman	Sam Whalley	Rob Corney	84
Veronika Royle	Ex-Officio	Sarah Richmond- De'Voy	Rachel Helsby	78

Candidate	Position	Proposed by	Seconded by	Votes
Claire Seymour	Ex-Officio	Lance Nortcliff	Helen Pool	81
Bob Thomas	General Secretary	Lesley Whiley	Ken Beck	83

The returning officers were Chris Cutting and Katie Gumbrell.

The elected 2019/20 Committee:

Executive Officers

Chairman Phil Reay
 General Secretary Bob Thomas
 Treasurer Jill Dibben

Ex-Officio

Alice Carpenter
 Simon Denton
 Vroni Royle
 Claire Seymour

Committee posts

Membership Secretary Anne Goodall
 Social Secretary Liz Johnson
 Media Paul Monaghan

The new Committee replaced the outgoing Committee at the front of the room and the meeting continued chaired by the incoming Chairman.

6. Election of Team Captains

Samantha Whalley stood for a third year as the Ladies' Captain and Grant Hopkins stood as the Men's Captain. Both were elected unopposed by a unanimous show of hands to serve for 2019/20.

7. Election of Charity to support through 2019/20

Zoe Browne introduced her proposal for the Club to support the First Days Children's Charity through 2019. Following a presentation by a charity representative, Zoe's proposal was approved by a unanimous show of hands.

8. Registered Other Business related to 2018/19

- a. Katie Gumbrell gave a stirring presentation of why she believed that the Club's ethos of equality of all members required that race distances, prizes and age categories for each of the Club's various events must be harmonised. The assembly endorsed Katie's proposal by a unanimous show of hands.
- b. Bob Thomas presented his opinion that recognition of athletic achievement does not breach the principle of equality of all members and requested that a sentence be added to the Constitution to state this as a fact. The assembly endorsed Bob's proposal by a unanimous show of hands.

9. Actions placed on the incoming Committee

- a. Revise and publish the Constitution & Rules documents in accordance with the changes endorsed by the assembly at sections 4 & 8.
- b. Amend the Club Championships to align male and female age categories.
- c. For each of the Club's events, align male and female age categories and prizes.