

# Reading Roadrunners Committee Meeting

TUESDAY 14DEC21 – 7:00PM  
(by video call)

## THE COMMITTEE

Phil Reay (Chairman)  
Chris Burt (Treasurer)  
Ian Giggs (Social Secretary)  
Anne Goodall (Ex officio)  
Paul Monaghan (Social networks/Web)  
Claire Seymour (Coaching liaison)  
Bob Thomas (General Secretary)  
Sam Whalley (Membership Sec)

## APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Paul

## MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting were proposed as a true record by Sam, seconded by Ian.

## MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Nothing to report.

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Phil offered his congratulations to everyone involved in staging the very successful Club TVXC fixture on 12Dec, with special thanks to Sam for having acted as Race Director for the event.

Preparations for the 2022 Bramley 20/10 and Shinfield 10K are underway. Barring further unplanned restrictions, the races are scheduled to take place on 20Feb and 2May, respectively.

It has been brought to Phil's attention that some members are failing to observe the Club's very straightforward track usage rules. If this continues, the Committee will need to sanction the culprits.

Finally, and on behalf of the Committee, Phil wishes all members a merry Christmas and happy New Year.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Chris provided a copy of the November Club financial position and confirmed that he is working on the end-of-year outturn.

Following contact by GSL (Palmer Park management outsourcers), Chris is working with its financial team to agree what track usage the Club has bought and what was consumed through 2021. The position is complicated by the various lockdowns imposed during the year. Chris expects this to be finalised before year end.

Chris reminded the Committee that Bramley race preparations are underway and will need to make purchases for which there will be no new revenue as entries have been carried forward from 2020 (floods) and 2021 (lockdown).

## GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

**Track closures.** The last track session of 2021 will be on 22Dec and the first session of the new year will be on 5Jan.

## MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT

Sam reported that eight new members have joined in the past month.

Sam noted that she will begin renewals in the coming weeks. Bob pointed out that England Athletics will increase its affiliation fee by £1 from April22 and asked for a vote to increase the with-EA subscription fees by £1, which was unanimously endorsed..

## SOCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Ian reported that he still has spare capacity for the Christmas Party. He expects there to be a raffle at the party in support of the Charity and assured the Committee that it will be kept short.

It was agreed that attendees will be emailed prior to the event asking them to take a Lateral Flow Test and not to attend the party if it returns a positive result.

### **COACHING REPORT**

Sarah reported on behalf of the Coaching Co-ordinators...

We have a newly qualified LiRF and she is keen to start a Couch to 5K group in January.

There has been some blatant disregard for track rules by one coach and many athletes who continue either to do as they please, appearing above the rules, or do as their coach tells them.

The coaching coordinators are currently looking into offering an outrun or two while track is closed over Christmas, this will depend on coach availability.

First aid kits have arrived, Sarah has two in her car and Pete has one. While we can't access our storage, they will be handed out when there are outruns.

First aid training has been booked for January with many coaches and LiRFs wanting to attend.

### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**Dinner dance.** The Committee agreed that Anne could purchase what she needs to stage the 2022 Dinner Dance.

### **VACANCIES**

Members who would like to know more about any of these roles are invited to contact Phil in the first instance, email to: [chairman@readingroadrunners.org](mailto:chairman@readingroadrunners.org)

**Chairman.** Phil will stand down as Chairman at the AGM.

**General Secretary.** Bob will stand down as Secretary at the AGM. It would be ideal if his replacement were shadowing before the AGM.

**Newsletter Editor.** Ben has stood down as the newsletter editor. If the newsletter is to continue, we need a volunteer to step up as editor.

**Mental Health Champion.** The requirement for this post arises from EA, which summarises the role as:

*"The role of a Mental Health Champion is to support people to access the mental wellbeing benefits of running, remove stigma and get people talking about mental health. Champions will NEVER be expected to provide mental health support in the role but they will be provided with details of where to signpost people for professional support with their mental health."*

The best way to understand the role would be to consult the [narrative provided on the EA website](#).

**Ex officio Committee posts.** There are three Committee posts vacant for ex officio members and two more will become vacant at the AGM, when Anne & Claire stand down. The ex officio members do not have fixed duties (c.f. Chairman, Media Manager, Treasurer, Social Secretary, etc) but are available to take on tasks as they occur throughout the year.

**DONM:** 19:00 Tuesday, 11 January by video call.

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