

Oxford Mail Cross Country League AGM

7.30pm May 21st 2010, OXSRAD, Oxford

Present: Luke McNeill (League Manager), James Bolton (Woodstock), Andy Tuttle (Newbury), Derek Breaker (Eynsham), Richard Jégou (WHH), Margaret Strange (Oxon AA), Michael Search (KRAC), John Griffiths (HRR), James Maile (Oxford Brookes), Richard Gould (Alchester), Alan Vincent (Oxon AA)

1. Apologies: Lawrence Parkes (Cherwell), Colin Price (Team Kennet), Marie-anne Fischer (Oxon XC League), Frank Briscoe (Oxon XC League), Ivor Hopkins (Oxon XC League), Paul Thomas (Oxon AA), Geoff Smith (Banbury), John McCormac (Witney), Gary Richards (Abingdon)

Voting Members: 8

2. Minutes of last meeting - approved as a correct record of the meeting.

3. Matters Arising

5. New sponsorship has not been found
6. All clubs are still being asked to contribute
8. Frank Briscoe stood in and did a great job. Meeting expressed unanimous thanks to Frank.
- 8ii. Impact of new VBS system still unclear. League manager will recommend that all league officials go through procedure
10. Senior women's distance increased at all races. Very few complaints heard.

4. Managers Report

The manager thanked everyone for a successful and uncontroversial year, in particular the host clubs. During the season, mp3 players were banned, and the timetable on race day was changed to avoid clashes of races. No formal complaints were made.

5. Treasurers Report

Accounts for the season were presented. There was an overall profit of £419. Main sponsorship was received from the Oxford Mail early in the season. No claims were made for first aid; it is assumed that clubs are covering their costs with car parking fees. Entry fees need not change and should be maintained at their present level. The treasurer and manager suggested that a contribution could be made to the county chip timing system if required from the balance in the league. The meeting agreed unanimously.

6. Dates for next season :- Nov 7th/ Dec 5th/ Jan 2nd/ Feb 6th/ March 6th. Dates need to be confirmed for no clashes.

Only one confirmed venue = Witney Road Runners at Ascott in November. All other clubs are encouraged to come forward with venues. Possible combination of January fixture with county championships, see later.

7. Divisions for next season

As per results - please see website.

8. Election of Officials

Ivor Hopkins has stood down as the league race referee after several years. The manager asked if the league required a designated referee. The meeting felt that it brings consistency to each race and season. Luke to find new league referee.

9. AOB

i. Due to pressure on venues, and the BBO championships being held by Oxon this year, the combination of the county championships with a league fixture has been mooted as a possibility. The meeting had no objections to this but pointed out that:

- a) league distances were shorter than county championships
- b) thought would have to be given to results recording and calculation
- c) clashes with other county championships should be avoided

Meeting closed 7.55pm.