

# Denmead Striders Running Club

## Committee Meeting

Date: 25<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Location: Zoom (Virtual Meeting)

Present	Apologies
Clare Welch	Julia Revill
Lisa Peckover	Mel Hunt
Stuart Hoare	
Kirsty Aked	
Paul Welch	
Graham Clarke	
Gary McCawley	
Simon Toms	
Nick Giffiths	
Gary Armstrong	

### 1. Committee Meeting.

#### 1.1 Club Chairman

Clare Welch reported;

2020 has been an interesting first year as Chairman and not really the role I was expecting. It has been difficult to know how to steer things forward in these challenging times and I cannot thank Gary and the coaching team for offering normality when restrictions were eased. Feedback from club members attending the "Covid Safe" sessions was greatly received and I know that many are keen to come back as soon as possible.

As we head into a new set of restrictions it looks very likely that we can re-visit the training and I am sure Gary will cover this in more detail.

With the promising news of a vaccine I am hopeful that 2021 will mean the Striders can at some point get back to the great team spirited club we all know and love and also host another successful Denmead 10k in the autumn.

#### 1.2 Vice Chairman

Julia Revill had nothing to report.

#### 1.3 Club Secretary

Lisa Peckover reported;

London Marathon Club Applications will open in February 2021. Further details on the process will be made available in December 2020.

### Matters Arising from 25<sup>th</sup> August meeting:

EA Mental Health Ambassador – Clare Welch has spoken to Catherine Arnold who is happy to take on the role.

Welfare Officer – Lisa Peckover emailed the details round to the committee with no responses. Lisa to email to Nick to take a look at.

**ACTION LP**

Coaches Kit – Gary McCawley putting this on hold for now.

#### 1.4 Club Treasurer

Stuart Hoare reported;

Funds currently £3,000 approx with not much costs to go out.

#### 1.5 Membership Secretary

Julia Revill had nothing to report.

#### 1.6 Club Captains:

Ladies: Kirsty Aked reported;

The first few HRRL races of the 2021 have been cancelled along with the last HRRL races of 2020. It's not certain what will happen with the league next season.

Men: Gary Armstrong had nothing to report

#### 1.7 X-Country Representative.

Paul Welch had nothing to report.

#### 1.8 Striders League.

Graham Clarke is looking at new ways to do the results in the future.

#### 1.9 Social.

Clare Welch organised Virtual Quiz night for 28<sup>th</sup> November.

Christmas Party – It was decided the Christmas party will be cancelled. We may lose the deposit on the venue.

**ACTION CW**

#### 2.0 Coaching.

Gary McCawley recommends a return to training on 09/12/20, this will allow him time to update the schedule, advise coaches and let EA publish their guidelines, so we can update ours if needed.

He will look into training sites as some of the street lights are out along the Berewood path.

Gary will be sending an email round to the coaches regarding an Online CiRF coaching prep course, which will cost £20.

Clare Welch to put details of training on the website and facebook.

**ACTION GM & CW**

#### 3.0 Members Representatives.

Simon Toms reported that he has received nothing but positive comments about the return to training. Members are grateful for all the work that's been put in.

Mel Hunt had nothing to report.

#### 4.0 Denmead 10k Committee.

Nick Griffiths confirmed if we are to think about putting the Denmead 10k on next October the planning will need to start in January 2021. A date of 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021 was agreed. Nick will be contacting the 10k committee shortly.

**ACTION NG**

#### 5.0 A.O.B.

5.1 Awards – We may need to change the way the awards are awarded in the future. A discussion was had surrounding posting this years awards as they are still being held by Kirsty. Kirsty will look into the cost.

**ACTION KA**

5.2 Christmas Social Run/Mince Pie Run – With the current restrictions discussions were had regarding these. A social run (normally on Boxing Day) would be allowable as an organised club session. We may be able to organise a mince pie run, as long as we stick to the regulations.

**ACTION CW & GM**

5.3 Membership Discount – Discussions were had regarding a possible discount for existing members for next year. Without the Denmead 10k we can just about cover out costs. It was decided that the fee will be reduced to £20 from £26 for existing members only. Clare Welch will speak to Julia Revill before putting on the website and facebook.

**ACTION CW**

5.4 Newsletter – Clare Welch gathered opinions on the newsletter. She will restart a quarterly newsletter in 2021.

#### **Next Meeting**

12<sup>th</sup> January 2021