

Denmead Striders Running Club

Committee Meeting

Date: 13th November 2025

Location: Elizabeth Road, Waterloooville

Present	Apologies
Clare Welch	Kimberely Churchill
Lisa Peckover	Steve Trevenna
Julia Revill	Andy Taphouse
Stuart Hoare	Graham Clarke
Paul Welch	Dawn Banting
Gary McCawley	
Sam Morris	
Jenny Parks	

1. Committee Meeting.

1.1 Club Chairman

Clare Welch reported;

Welcome to November, with the HRRL SCCL in full swing it has been great to see everyone in their club colours getting involved. On that note the new club kit is now in stock and available to order online to date we have sold 6 vests and 3 t-shirts since the beginning of September.

Christmas party is booked for the 12th December at Horndean. Upon looking into the DJ I feel this is too expensive so am looking at a simple speaker and playlist. I have also decided to scrap the raffle this year unless there are any strong objections. From my understanding in previous years this was to raise funds towards the evening but with current sufficient funds, off the back of the 10k, I do not feel it necessary and quite frankly it consumes a lot of the evening with quite a few helpers missing out on their night. The committee had no objections to scrapping the raffle.

I have been looking into a Trackchat which is an online platform which can help with club membership payments, communications, newsletters etc. I am still in the early stages of investigating there is a cost involved which would be purely on the membership -transaction fee is 7.5%, 6% goes to us and 1.5% to stripe. This is on all transactions done within the platform. Will continue to investigate. The committee agreed this is a good idea to look into.

The AGM & awards night has been booked for the 27th March at Denmead War Memorial again.

I have unfortunately not had any feedback on the club positions which is a slight concern, I therefore ask the committee on how we plan moving forward should the roles not be filled.

The committee discussed what will happen if no one comes forward to fill the roles and it was decided the various jobs the Chairman, Secretary and XC captain do will be taken on by the other members of the committee until the roles are filled. The chairman and secretary are to write out their roles in more description so members know exactly what would be involved.

ACTION CW & LP

1.2 Vice Chairman

Kimberley Churchill had nothing to report.

1.3 Club Secretary

Lisa Peckover reported;

Gemma Heggs DBS approved.

London Marathon confirmed we have one place for 2026. A draw has been arranged for the 19th November. Clare Welch asked for clarification on members becoming eligible, this was confirmed.

Matters Arising from 14th August 2025 meeting:

HRRL Car Share – Andy reported that the car share has had a slow start. Him and Sam will keep trying. Race 'debriefs' at the pub have been slightly better received and seem to be something everyone enjoys and gets behind.

Charity Donation in memory of Gary Cassap – Clare Welch organised the £100 donation.

Comedy Nights – Andy Taphouse contacted the organiser regarding a group discount, but it wasn't that much considering the deals that come up every so often. It was decided to leave organising a group night.

HRRL Incentives – This was discussed and it was decided to keep things simple and keep promoting the races as we are now, with the possibility of perhaps doing something at the awards night.

Food Bank Run – A food bank collection was held on 3rd September at our training session; it was another success. The consensus is to continue to organise these twice a year. Lisa Peckover has confirmed she will continue to organise even after stepping down from her role.

1.4 Club Treasurer

Stuart Hoare reported;

Since the last committee meeting the club has put on the Denmead 10k race, this generates a substantial part of the club's total income and without, the club would not be able to pay for as much as currently.

This year the race entry fees received totalled over £6,000 and after the payment of all related costs, a surplus was achieved of £2,017.

For reference, surplus for the previous year was £2,036.

On the general operation of the club, the main item of expenditure over the past three months, is the club had committed to purchase a new stock of running vests and T-shirts, for sale to the club members. This process has required the club to tie up £1,157 worth of funds into this stock purchase. Recovery of those funds is dependent upon members purchasing the new running kit.

In summary, this year January to date:

The club's income is.

Membership contributions £1,346

Denmead 10K surplus of £2,017

The club's costs are.

Affiliations subscriptions £530

Social & AGM events £860

Ryde transport £408

Coaching courses £200

General running costs £339

Leaving a net surplus to date of £1,026

Funds allocated to the purchase of new club kit of £1,157

Currently the club has reserves held totalling £5,165

1.5 Membership Secretary

Julia Revill reported;

No major updates, we have 178 member at present.

1.6 Club Captains:

Ladies: Sam Morris reported:

A team

We've delivered a solid performance in the league, securing 3rd place with a total of 396 points. Our strongest showing came at Overton, where we finished 2nd with 103 points, demonstrating competitive strength early in the season. At Totton and New Forest, we placed 5th and 6th respectively, maintaining consistency across events.

Race	Position	Score
Totton	5	159
Overton	2	103
New Forest	6	134

B team

Denmead Striders achieved an impressive 2nd place overall with 954 league points, marking a strong presence in the competition. Our standout performances came at Totton and Overton, where they secured 2nd place in both events with scores of 348 and 256 respectively. Although they finished 5th at New Forest, their consistency across the first three fixtures highlights a competitive edge and solid team effort.

Race	Position	Score
Totton	2	348
Overton	2	256
New Forest	5	350

Individual

The women have showcased strong individual efforts across the first three races:

- Samantha Morris led the team with an outstanding average score of 91.23, consistently performing above 91 in all events.
- Kirsty Aked also impressed with an 88.55 average over two races,
- Lisa-Marie Peckover contributed solidly with a 77.30 average across all three.
- Several runners, including Suzanne Richardson and Bridie Rowlands, maintained competitive scores in the high 70s, adding depth to the team's performance.

Name	Club	N races	Score Avg
Samantha Morris	Denmead Striders	3	91.23
Lisa-Marie Peckover	Denmead Striders	3	77.30
Marie Wiles	Denmead Striders	3	52.93
Clare Welch	Denmead Striders	3	19.57
Kirsty Aked	Denmead Striders	2	88.55
Suzanne Richardson	Denmead Striders	2	78.30
Bridie Rowlands	Denmead Striders	2	77.70
Caroline Whiting	Denmead Striders	2	67.55
Rachael Harrison	Denmead Striders	2	58.90
Jenny Parks	Denmead Striders	2	45.60
Clare Ryan	Denmead Striders	1	81.00
Bethany Wilson	Denmead Striders	1	55.00
Linda Taylor	Denmead Striders	1	53.30
Christina Banner	Denmead Striders	1	51.70
Molly Bicknell	Denmead Striders	1	43.90

Coming up:

- Gosport half – 16th Nov
- Victory 5 – 7th Dec

Men: Andy Taphouse reported;

Denmead Striders Men (2025/26 HRRL Season to Date)

Overall League Positions

Team	League Position	League Points
Men A1	4th	12 pts
Men B1	4th	14 pts
Men B3	2nd	6 pts

Team Event Results

Event	Men A1	Men B1	Men B3
Totton 10k	6th	4th	3rd
Overton 5 mile	3rd	7th	2nd
New Forest Half	3rd	3rd	1st

Summary:

- The A team is maintaining strong consistency with two consecutive 3rd-place finishes.
- The B1 team is performing solidly mid-table, improving after Overton.
- The B3 team is excelling — they've improved each race and took 1st place at New Forest!!

Individual Results (Top Denmead Men to Date)

Rank	Name	No. Races	Score Avg
11	Rob Wilson	3	82.3
25	Paul Welch	3	58.43
26	Neil Hawkey	3	58.33
37	Michael Deller	3	45.07

Rank	Name	No. Races	Score Avg
46	Jeffrey Streeter	3	38.97
52	Andy Newcombe	3	35.13
66	Tony Liddell	3	14.8
80	Julian Manning	2	93.5
103	Andy Taphouse	2	80.1
—	Michael Harrison	2	79.5

1.7 X-Country Representative.

Paul Welch reported;

The season is underway, albeit with just the one race having taken place.

The first race at Benyon's enclosure had an attendance of 25 men & 11 ladies, which was up from last year's first race, which is great to see.

The women finished in 11th & the men were 1st, giving us a team result of 5th out of 22 teams. So, a very good start.

The joint top 3 are currently, Liss Runners, Basingstoke & Midhants, & Fleet & Crookham. With Haslemere Borders sitting in-between them and us in 4th.

The next race is at Bourne woods on the 23rd November.

With the others as follows:

21st Dec – Lord Wandsworth (Clashes with coastal marathons)

18th Jan – Chawton House

8th Feb – 100 Acre wood (TBC depending on local authority approval)

1st Mar – Alice Holt

1.8 Striders League.

Graham Clarke reported;

This year's competition is well underway with three HRRL and one SCCL race now complete. As agreed at the last committee meeting the League races will consist of all the HRRL and SCCL races and, in addition, the Stubbington 10k in January and the Southampton Marathon/Half-Marathon in May.

Participation in the League has been strong with points being awarded to 38 members in the road races and 33 in the cross country races.

It is early days of the season with up to 11 road races and 5 cross country races to go but the field is already opening up. The leader board is currently as follows:

Ladies

1st Samantha Morris 25.5 pts.

2nd Lisa-Marie Peckover 23.8 pts.

3rd Clare Welch 19.9 pts.

4th Marie Wiles 19.5pts.

5th Caroline Whiting 84.5 pts

Men

1st Rob Wilson 27.3 pts.

2nd Paul Welch 25.2 pts.

3rd Neil Hawkey 24.8 pts.

4th Andy Newcombe 21.6 pts.

5th Julian Manning 21.3 pts.

1.9 Social.

Clare Welch to put a post out to members to see if anyone would like to take on an unofficial social chair role.

ACTION CW

2.0 Coaching

Gary McCawley had nothing to report.

3.0 Members Representatives.

Steve Trevenna had nothing to report.

Jenny Parks had nothing to report but did ask for clarification on if the club would be liable if a non-member had an accident whilst training with us. Stuart confirmed that according to England Athletics non-members (or people looking to join) are covered.

4.0 Denmead 10k Committee.

The Denmead 10k have not had their follow up meeting following the race just yet.

5.0 Newsletter

Dawn Banting had nothing to report.

6.0 Website

Graham Clarke had nothing to report.

7.0 A.O.B.

7.1 Announcements – Clare Welch asked if members of the committee would be willing to do announcements, it was agreed a rota could be put together.

ACTION CW

Next Meeting:

12th February 2025