

# **Sandhurst Joggers AGM**

## **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2021, 20.00 by Google Meet**

1. Apologies for Absence:

Emy Circuit, Dick Newman, Lance King, Beccie Van Oostrum, Tim Smith, Rob and Ann Hewison, Terry Fegan, Karen Symons, James Ratcliffe, Suren Mannick, Chris Szabo-Hemmings and Fiona and Mike Gascoigne.

2. Address by Chairman:

Stating that due to the limited capacity on Google Meet, all reports were posted on-line prior to this meeting. Therefore she would not be discussing the individual reports. Any questions should be asked via the chat capacity.

3. Minutes of last meeting:

Accepted.

4. Club Subscription:

A vote will be taken on-line, a voting form will be sent to all Members, which will need to be completed by 30<sup>th</sup> March 2021. It was proposed that the club subscription for existing members be reduced to £5.00 for the period Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 to Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021, inclusive.

Thereafter membership fees will revert back to £15.00, for existing and new members. EA affiliation will also cost £15.00 for the year. The result of the vote was 96% in favour; therefore the motion is carried.

5. Election of the Committee:

Two people volunteered to join the committee for the coming year, Erol Ali and Sarah Jones.

Erol put himself forward for the Thursday General Member role, which is currently vacant and Sarah has put herself forward to assist Claire with publicity.

Janice Alves De Sousa cast the first vote for Erol and Janet Venables cast the second.

Ian Watson cast the first vote for Sarah and Andrea Vincent the second.

Both motions were carried.

Two positions still vacant:

Secretary and Summer Events co-ordinator: no-one put themselves forward, so these positions were not filled. Since the meeting took place, Maureen Willcox (Mo) has agreed to become Secretary.

No vote for the remainder of the Committee, which will remain unchanged.

6. Non-elected posts:

Jenny Yateley 10K Series Director, Coaches, Carl, Jim and Newton, Lisa Pure Beginners, Ant Webmaster and Simon and Ann Willis for Handicap, the Kit Manager position remains available, for which Michelle Wilson put herself forward for. A vote was cast 1<sup>st</sup> by Roger Halliwell and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Simon Whillis. Motion carried.

7. Club Championship:

Will remain unchanged, entry by age group and must complete at least 5 of the distances ranging from parkrun to marathon, at least one of the distances logged must be 10 miles or over.

Jenny raised the point that the club might have to be flexible with the number of events due to Covid-19.

Vote taken and passed that the Club Championship will remain the same.

8. A.O.B. :

Janet Venables asked if we could have an official club run during the day? The point was made by Janet, that many people are working from home and so an organised run during the day could be very welcome, Janet has given up her car and would be happy to walk to Sandhurst and home again, but only during daylight.

Roger agreed that this would be a great idea.

Ian Watson asked the difference between an official run and an agreed run through the Facebook page or otherwise? What would make it official?

Janet is looking for something similar to the evening runs, where this is listed as an official club run, which will require a run leader.

Andrea Vincent suggested that this could be an informal run, which would not require a run leader, perhaps via Facebook, but Roger commented that he is not on Facebook.

Alison stated that pace could be an issue, depending on which runners wanted to attend.

Jane Ralls would also be interested in running during the day, for similar reasons to Janet.

Alison also suggested putting this to the membership to see the response, which was agreed that this was a good idea.

Carl commented that he would be happy to lead a group, during the day, as did Monica.

Lisa proposed we discuss this at the next committee meeting, maybe after putting this to the membership.

9. Club runs to return from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2021:

Although this is Easter Monday, Patrick is happy to lead a run regardless. Google forms will be available for booking runs of 6 people including the run leader.

10. Closing statement by Chairman:

Lisa thanked the committee and members for their support during a very difficult year for all.

Andrea Vincent asked about running in groups again, now that club runs are starting. It was agreed to discuss this at the next committee meeting, to remind all the GM's to be mindful when running in groups to keep our distance from other pavement users.

Nikki asked what the committee doing about filling the Summer Events position, which is an important position within the club? This position has been vacant for a year and no-one has put themselves forward.

Dave Bartlett commented that this should be discussed, with an action plan, at the next committee meeting, which Lisa agreed.

Update from Jenny regarding Yateley 10K Series and request for volunteers.

11. The meeting was closed by The Chairman.