

# Sandhurst Joggers – 34th Annual General Meeting

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**Held Thursday, 14th March 2022 at 8.00pm**  
**Sandhurst Town Council Offices**

## **Agenda**

Welcome by Chairman

1. Approval of the 2021 Minutes and Matters Arising
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Reports from Committee
  - Events: Winter/Cross Country
  - Membership
  - Social
  - Secretary
  - Publicity
  - Treasurer – Annual Statement of Accounts
  - General Members
  - Vice Chairman
  - Chairman
4. Yateley Road Races Report and Accounts
5. Coaches Report
6. Club Subscription
7. Election of Committee for 2022/23
  - Chairman
  - Vice-Chairman
  - Treasurer
  - Secretary
  - Membership Secretary
  - Social Secretary
  - Events Secretary – Winter /XC
  - Events Secretary – Summer/Relays
  - Publicity Secretary
  - General Members
8. Non-elected Posts for 2022/23
  - Yateley Road Race Director
  - Handicap Run Organiser
  - Webmaster
  - Track Coach(s)
  - Kit Director
  - Pure Beginners
9. Any Other Business
10. Closing remarks by Chairman

## **Present**

Committee - Lisa Harrold, Mo Willcox, Dave Bartlett, Andy Hazell, Janice Alves de Sousa, Patrick Wadsworth, Alison Jones, Sarah Jones, Andrea Hadfield, Erol Ali, Emy Circuit, Mark Fallowfield-Smith

Other members – Suren Mannick, Sally Kent, Janet Venables, Susan Plumb, Jon Green, Alurie Dutton, Monica Burbidge, Gerry Mepham, Richard Boese, Ian Watson, Jenny Robinson, Jackie Kent, Roger Halliwell, Simon Whillis

## **Proceedings**

Lisa welcomed everyone to the first in-person meeting after two years of online AGM. She gave us a recap of 2021, and thanked Yateley Road Races and Jenny for a successful series, especially given the covid rules at the time.

### **1. Approval of the 2021 Minutes and Matters Arising**

Approved

### **2. Apologies for Absence**

Helen Vizard, Karen Symons, Chris Cole, Jo Fraser, Carl Bradshaw, Lance King, Andrea Vincent, Bryony Lambert, Anne Whillis, Dave Metcalfe, Lyn Winter, Paul Brooks, Chris Brooks, Dave Breslin, Philip Turner, Harvey Young, Jane Bannister, Nikki Fallowfield-Smith, Gabbi Bassett, Nigel Basset

### **3. Reports from Committee**

#### **a. Events: Winter/Cross Country**

Dave presented the first slide on the reports, explaining that we were unsure what the take up would be in the first season after the pandemic, but pleased to report that all the events were back to normal. The season consisted of 6 races rather than the usual 8. Next season will see 7 races and the following year, back to the usual 8 clubs hosting the event. Weather and conditions were reported as good. An average of 434 runners attended each event, Sandhurst had an average of 30 at each. Out of 15 teams, Sandhurst finished 8<sup>th</sup>. Datchet, Maidenhead and Windle Valley finished 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> respectively.

#### **b. Membership**

Janice talked us through her slide, membership has picked up considerably in the last year with 340 members now, of which 190 are female and 150 male. Membership payment has been simplified by utilising MemberMojo, eliminating any delays in acceptance. EA have increased the affiliation fee by £1, making the fee £16. Club affiliation remains at 150, meaning that we are eligible for 1 Marathon place and we would need to have over 200 to be eligible for another place. Athlete registration packs are digital only so athlete emails must be kept up to date, either by letting Janice know or by logging into your profile and updating the information there. Affiliation runs from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31 March. There is an additional slide with a further analysis of the membership.

### **Kit Manager**

Janice is also managing the kit, with the introduction by Dave Bartlett of ordering and paying for the kit via MemberMojo, it has simplified the whole system. We are looking to introduce long sleeve tops and running jackets in addition to keeping the stock fully supplied with a range of sizes. Janice passed around the details of the new kit.

### **c. Social**

Alison presented her slide, over the last 2 years, a few new initiatives were introduced including the library, member of the month, pizza after the intraclub relay and Tuesday evening fish and chips, these last two are highly recommended to be kept on the social calendar in future years. Alison and Andrea have enjoyed their tenure and suggest that the role works best as either a shared responsibility or a subcommittee style as under Nikki Fallowfield-Smith.

### **d. Secretary**

A brief description of the meetings and frequency that they are held. We have been able to give away places in The Great South Run and Run Bournemouth this year. The results of the Club survey were also published in January.

### **e. Publicity**

Sarah explained her role, the weekly run down, designed to be as inclusive as possible, keeping all the social media accounts up to date, which includes the website, the Facebook page; which now welcomes and introduces new members to the club.

### **f. Treasurer – Annual Statement of Accounts**

Mark reported that the club is in rude financial health. Membership fees didn't generate as much this year as we had offered the reduced rate. We did benefit from the Yateley 10K series going ahead again this year. Costs went down as not as many events were held although the TV Cross country cost more to run this year, due to the increase cost in the first aid provision, venue and catering costs all going up. Friday Track sessions will continue to be monitored as the hiring the track for the session is now charged per hour and extra for the lighting. Costs for that session are shared with 3CTri, with a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> SJ, 1/3<sup>rd</sup> 3CTri split between the two clubs. The year saw a profit of just over £1,000. Old kit needs to be written off and we are holding around £15,000 cash which is considered too high and SJ members are encouraged to suggest club-wide events to make use of the reserves.

### **g. General Members**

Patrick talked us through the report for the GMs.

Monday - a smaller, faster group than pre-covid.

Tuesday - the biggest club run of the week.

Tuesday Intervals – Jenny reported that this has a loyal group of about 8 runners each week.

Wednesday - now the tempo run, attracting 6-8 people, while encouraging participation in the Handicap run on the second Wednesday of each month.

Wednesday lunch run – Janet informed us that the lunch run has been going since May 2021, and is now an established run of the week.

Sunday – Dick and Emy have both been injured since Christmas but the Sunday run is still popular with a reasonable turnout.

With such a wide variety of runs on offer, Lisa summarised that we do have a run for everyone.

**h. Vice Chairman**

Dave went through his slides, describing how we have managed to have keep things as normal as possible. He outlined the events that have taken place, starting with the Intraclub pairs relay, happily renamed Paris relay on the trophies awarded due to a printer's error. Two teams were entered at Endure 24 in its new location at Henley. Home Cross Country was a great event, much appreciated by all the participating clubs. The general members' support across all runs, evenings and Sunday mornings has been fantastic. The return of the Track has been well received. We are making more use of MemberMojo, for booking of track sessions, paying for membership and kit and will look to develop it further. Ideas for kit will be gratefully received if there is an item that any member wishes to see stocked.

Looking ahead to this year, we would like to expand the Intraclub relay idea, to a different night, location, maybe up on the common near The Ely to finish there afterwards, a midsummer relay at the Memorial Park followed by pizza, and a further one towards the end of the year at an away location to add to the challenge.

We would like to reintroduce pub runs and it would be good to see increased club attendance at team events in the local area. We haven't had an away weekend in recent years so that may be reintroduced including a run with guest speakers and activities. And also looking forward to the winter and another successful cross country season.

Ian Watson asked which specific local events, and was reminded that it included Green Belt Relay, Runneymede, Clarendon Relay, Windlesham Pairs amongst others. Jon Green requested a return of the Pub Crawl, which Dave is happy to add to the social calendar.

**i. Chairman**

Lisa presented her slides and talked about the return of the Yateley 10K and how the good the atmosphere was there and the Cross Country events brought much joy to those that had missed them, organised by Nigel and Gabbi and the home event under the guidance of Wayne Boardman, with great feedback from all participating runners and clubs. 19 Pure Beginners began on the 6<sup>th</sup> July last year, organised by Lisa and Liz, supported by Janet Venables and Sally Kent. The need for completing group of 6 forms and track and trace forms were removed, a thank you to Jenny as our covid coordinator was given. The SJ Ball was well attended and enjoyed by so many members. A few changes to club runs have been made, the amalgamation of Wednesday and Thursday to new Tempo run on a Wednesday, the reinstatement of the first Tuesday of the month run from Morgan Rec and the return of Track in February.

**4. Yateley Road Races Report and Accounts**

Jenny Robinson presented the report for 2021. A fantastic achievement to have had such a successful series in the face of so many obstacles, with, unusually, no complaints! The adjudicator was happy and gave his approval and has already been approached for 2022 series. The event's success meant that £15,500 was awarded to

charity. Alison Jones is working with Jenny for this year's series, planning is well underway and they are working towards being the first eco-friendly races, eliminating plastic from the event. Race entries are open and selling fast with a 1000 places available, the fun run is due to open very soon. Some of the measures introduced during covid will remain, such as the staggered start as this helps keep people spread out and helps with traffic management.

## 5. Coaches Report

Lisa read the Track report, stating that 2021 was obviously tricky with covid rules still in place. The coaches adapted by running on roads and fields around Crowthorne and Sandhurst. It was looking unlikely that Track could return, but with much work behind the scenes, track was back on with 3CTri. Numbers are stable at around 30 with great feedback. As the lighter evenings return, this allows warm ups on the grass to take place, and the highlight of the year – the annual track challenge - can take place this year, which is hotly contested.

## 6. Club Subscription

It is proposed that the annual subscription for membership fees remains at £15. As EA membership has increased to £16, anyone wanting a joint membership will pay £31. Dave will ensure this is reflected on MemberMojo.

## 7. Election of Committee for 2022/23

The election took place with the results below:

Position	Candidate	Proposed by:	Seconded by:	Result (Elected Unopposed)
Chairman	Lisa Harrold	Simon Whillis	Richard Boese	Elected Unopposed
Vice Chair	Dave Bartlett	Roger Halliwell	Janet Venables	Elected Unopposed
Treasurer	Andrea Hadfield	Alison Jones	Sarah Jones	Elected Unopposed
Secretary	Mo Willcox	Ian Watson	Jackie Kent	Elected Unopposed
Membership	Janice Alves de Sousa	Ian Watson	Alurie Dutton	Elected Unopposed
Social				
Events-Winter/XC	Gabbi + Nigel	Gerry Mephram	Emy Circuit	Elected Unopposed
Events-Summer/relays	Patrick Wadsworth	Jon Green	Richard Boese	Elected Unopposed
Publicity	Sarah Jones	Andrea Hadfield	Andy Hazell	Elected Unopposed
General Members				Elected Unopposed
Monday	Patrick Wadsworth	Jackie Kent	Gerry Mephram	Elected Unopposed
Tuesday	Andy Hazell	Janice Alves de Sousa	Monica Burbidge	Elected Unopposed
Wednesday	Erol Ali	Suren Mannick	Patrick Wadsworth	Elected Unopposed
Friday/Track	Carl Bradshaw, James Casey, Newton Johnstone	Patrick Wadsworth	Dave Bartlett	Elected Unopposed
Sunday	Harvey Young	Roger Halliwell	Andy Hazell	Elected Unopposed

## 8. Non-elected Posts for 2022/23

Position	Candidate
Yateley Road Race Director	Jenny Robinson + Alison Jones
Handicap Run Organiser	Simon + Anne Whillis
Webmaster	Ant Harrold
Track Coach(s)	Carl Bradshaw, James Casey, Newton Johnstone
Kit Director	Janice Alves de Sousa
Pure Beginners	Lisa Harrold
Home XC	Wayne Boardman

Outgoing Committee members, Dick, Emy, Andrea, Sharon, Alison, Lina, Michelle and Claire were thanked for their contribution to date. Mark was singled out for his outstanding, long-serving contribution to the Club.

## 9. Any Other Business

Sally Kent suggested the purchase of a couple of outdoor hot water urns specifically for Cross Country use, but also useful for other events. A further list has been compiled that will be passed on to Dave Bartlett.

## 10. Closing Remarks

Lisa closed the meeting by thanking the Committee and everyone for their hard work and support, in particular Dave. The members of the club were also thanked.

The meeting was closed at 9.00pm