

WESSEX YOUNG ATHLETES TRACK AND FIELD LEAGUE

Annual General Meeting Sunday 2nd December 2007 at Andover
Athletic Club

Minutes

Attendees and Apologies

Attendees: Camberley (Laura White), Woking (Les Calder and Simon Akers), Basingstoke (Gill Piper), Marlborough Juniors (Richard Cooper and Mark Sykes), New Forest Juniors (Tim Wilding), Poole A C (Nigel Harding and Mark Pauley), Andover (Helen Dobinson and M Woodford), Ian Warland (Oxford City), Mike Phillips and Les Turner (Poole Runners)

Apologies –Portsmouth, IOW, Bournemouth, Team Kennet and Weymouth.

Minutes of 2006 AGM

Adopted and signed off. No matters arising

Acting Chairman's Report – Tim Wilding.

Report attached.

Treasurer's report – Accounts and report submitted by Ray Scovell and presented by Tim in Ray's absence. Thanks to Ray for looking after the accounts.

Financial position for 2007 as at 2nd December 2007

Total income/Closing balance 2006	£535/£801.66
Expenditure	£565.90
Closing balance	£770.76

Ray will not be standing again as treasurer. The league would like to thank for all his efforts over the years and wish him well for the future.

Big thanks to Nick Bull for sponsoring the U11 medals.

Quadkids Report – Richard Cooper

Richard reported that the Quadkids format worked well and was popular both with our young athletes and parents. Following feedback during the season, Richard requested that the following changes be considered. (1) Eight additional event slots be made available, (2) Ball throw be replaced by Vortex Howler and (3) league placings will be based on actual points scored. Agreed.

It was also agreed to include the individual U13 age group performances on an overlap table similar to Quadkids.

Richard will contact clubs Quadkids reps in due course. Would clubs please ensure that Richard has the correct Quadkids contact details. The meeting expressed it's thanks to Richard for running the Quadkids competition.

Election of Officials

Chairman – Tim Wilding (New Forest Juniors)

Treasurer – Scott Nicholls (Team Kennet)

Secretary – Vanessa Wright (Woking)

Quadkids Secretary – Richard Cooper (Marlborough Juniors)

Official's secretary – Pat Butcher (Portsmouth), asked to continue

League Co-ordinators – Nick Bull (fixtures), Laura White (timetable), Tim Wilding, Vanessa Wright and Nigel Harding (Athletics Weekly and league records).

League Structure

Reading have resigned from the league. Poole Runners and Oxford City were elected to the league. Winchester will compete in the main competition as well as Quadkids. There being no other applications or resignations the matches will be arranged on a 2 x 6 and 1 x 7 basis. Scoring will be from seven points for a win in all matches.

Other items for discussion

Affiliation Fees

- It was agreed to increase affiliation fees to **£50** per club. New clubs will remain at **£75**. Hosting clubs will receive a **£20 reduction**.
- The proposal to reduce the hurdles to single string was unanimously rejected.
- It was agreed to supply a scoring and results disc to host clubs to facilitate electronic scoring.
- It was agreed that a league co-ordinator attend each meeting in order to ensure the meeting proceeds smoothly. League co-ordinator will be appointed on the day if necessary.
- It was agreed that matches to include at least two clubs from each grading group in every match. Clubs are graded into three groups depending on past results.
- It was agreed to have four matches with no cup and plate finals.

Approval of dates and fixtures 2008 (First draft 2nd December)

Date	Host	2	3	4	5	6	7
12th April	Marlborough						
	Bournemouth						
	Slough?						
15th June	Woking						
	Poole Runners						
	Isle of Wight						
13th July	Andover						
	Bournemouth						
	?						
27th July	Oxford						
	Poole AC						
	Winchester?						

Would clubs involved in hosting please confirm ASAP. New Forest Juniors will assist Winchester and others if requested. Any other clubs willing to assist at meeting will be no doubt most welcome.

Any Other Business

- It was agreed to circulate a questionnaire regarding a possible cross country competition.
- It was agreed to make sure there is no confusion where mixed races (U15/17/20) are held. Note will be circulated to host clubs and league co-ordinators before the start of the season.
- There being no other business the meeting closed at 4.05 pm. Many thanks to Helen and Nick of Andover for their hospitality and use of the club house.