

WESSEX YOUNG ATHLETES TRACK & FIELD LEAGUE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 14 NOVEMBER 2010

PRESENT: Sue Davison, Liz Flitcroft, Terry Wegg (Basingstoke), Nick Bull (Team Kennet), Nick Woodford, Helen Dobinson (Andover), Martin Long (Bournemouth), Tim Wilding (New Forest Juniors), Lynne Anthony (Aldershot), Ian Warland (Oxford), Nigel Harding (Poole AC), Sarah Fowler, Emma Carter (Newbury), Les Calder (Winchester), Adrian Roche, Laura White (Camberley).

APOLOGIES: Poole Runners.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS AGM:

All present agreed they were a true record of events.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Nick Bull welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Aldershot. Nick detailed the huge amount of league records this year and the good feedback received from this year's new comers Dorchester illustrating what a great league this has become. He made a plea for clubs to consider hosting a match and for volunteers to act as League Coordinators. He passed on his thanks to all involved in the league in particular to Ian for the new results spreadsheet, to Nigel and Tim for the quick turnaround on producing the results for the clubs. He also asked that with the increasing numbers involved with Quadkids we consider how we manage this along side the other events. Finally some very smart and professional looking Wessex League medals have been purchased which clubs are also welcome to purchase.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Tim Wilding thanked everyone for their support of the league and friendship. The management team were recognised for their committed enthusiasm and hard work. Tim advised whilst he is happy to remain as a coordinator and update the league tables he will not be standing for re-election and he wished the new committee all the best for the future.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Scott Nicholls reported via Nick Bull.

The end of year balance has gone down. This is due to the expenditure of the Quadkids final, with increasing website costs and the cost of the league medals. It was noted that the medals purchased should be enough for the next 3 years. Full financial details will be sent out to the clubs.

QUADKIDS REPORT:

Liz Flitcroft advised the only real problem was with the huge number of athletes taking part in the field events. She suggested we consider split start times but if we go to 5 club matches this may not be needed. In addition to have field score

cards where there is no room for names just numbers to speed up the event start time and the calling up of athletes. Congratulations were passed on to Slough Juniors who won both the League and Cup Final.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

The following were duly elected;

Chairman – Nick Bull

Vice Chair – Ian Warland

Secretary – Vacant

Treasurer – Scott Nicholls

Quadkids Coordinator – Liz Flitcroft

Records & Athletes Weekly Coordinator – Nigel Harding

League Coordinators – Nick Bull, Ian Warland, Tim Wilding, Laura White, Mark Pauley, Liz Flitcroft, Terry Wegg.

PLEASE NOTE: further League Coordinators are required so further volunteers need to be sought and made known to Nick Bull.

LEAGUE COMPOSITION:

No resignations have been received and Aldershot wishes to join subject to final Club Committee approval.

The proposal to divide the league into 2 divisions had been discussed in full prior to the AGM and the idea was rejected.

To accommodate clubs with fixture clashes the league will where necessary continue to issue fixtures over 2 weekends.

A vote was taken to have 5 teams at each match therefore requiring 4 matches, this was agreed by majority.

The potential problems of this change on the field were discussed and the following agreed:

On the field the top 4 will take 2 further attempts provided they have reached a Grade 4 level, Ian will produce field cards as part of the Wessex League printable pack with all the details to ensure the information needed is at hand. Laura when reviewing the timetable will look at the combined age groups to ensure the numbers of athletes fits the time allowed.

LEAGUE DATES:

Discussed and provisionally approved subject to Nick Bull checking with absent clubs. Final details to be published ASAP.

TIMETABLE AND AGE GROUPS:

Quadkids – it was agreed that this year each club can take a maximum of 10 girls and 10 boys. There will be a separate league for the boys and the girls this will help clubs be competitive when they predominately only have one gender – a team will need 4 to score. Ian will ensure a new spreadsheet is produced.

It was agreed that the number of warm up jumps/throws for the under 11s is limited as the event must start on time. Practise should be available 15 minutes before hand and 3 measured jumps/throws should be recorded.
It was agreed that at the end of the league 5 medals per team will be provided by the league and clubs will buy any extra if they need them. In addition gold, silver and bronze medals will be provided by the league for the individual best performances of each event during the season.

Proposal for Under 20s to be scoring athletes was made – all present agreed to reject proposal.

To assist the judges all hosting clubs should buy weather proof numbers, for Quadkids these will need to be 1-100. The non scoring numbers for other age groups should also be 2 digits.

It was reported that the website will be update soon and it was requested that teams delete all paperwork dated 2010. It was agreed that the Quadkids results should be placed on the league website so all results are in one place.

FEES:

The following proposal was made and agreed:

£80 for hosting/co hosting clubs

£100 for non hosting clubs

For the 2011 season only Bournemouth will not pay a fee as they are hosting 4 matches and the tuck shop available there is not linked to the club.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Non scoring events will be hurdles, 100m, 800m and 1500m. At the track referees discretion 300m and 400m. Due to the tightness of the field timetable no non scoring events will be available.