

Minutes - Bracknell Forest Runners AGM Wednesday 18th April 2018 7:30pm Start

Easthampstead Park Conference Centre, Peacock Lane, Bracknell, RG40 3DF

131 Members attended – this exceeds the quorum of current membership required for the AGM to take place

1: Apologies for Absence received from Sara Hanford, Arun Iyer, Derek Smith

2: There were no comments on the minutes of last year's AGM and therefore the minutes were adopted by everyone present

3: There were no matters arising from matters arising from those Minutes

4: Chairman's report

Mike thanked everyone for attending and talked about how the support and family feel amongst BFR is the envy of other clubs he emphasised that our ethos is running for fun. In particular the TVXC league has brought a great atmosphere on a Sunday morning – our inclusive ethos makes us the best club and the best family THE GREEN MACHINE

Mike reminded those present that the committee are volunteers so please be patient in waiting for results to be posted and requests to be actioned. He also reminded everyone that all questions and queries for the committee should go on email NOT Facebook. Mike also reminded the club that the sharing of copyrighted material and unofficial exchange of numbers is not allowed on our Facebook group. He also reminded everyone that race results need to be directed to the race results email along with PB smiley requests.

Mike thanked the committee for their work this year and made particular mention to Jon and Deena for the amount of work they have put into getting membership renewals through this year.

We need more run leaders for Monday and Sunday runs – please come forward to help out the club

We're in initial stages of website testing and hope to have the new site live ASAP

Forest Five race SOLD OUT last year for the first time! – please come and run or help out on the night this year

Mike then thanked all the members of the club for making it what it is and thanked them also for feedback and comments that have allowed the team to make improvements over the past 12 months

5: Treasurers report

Helen Coulthard gave a report (please email and request a full summary of the accounts if required to treasurer@bracknell-forest-runner.org.uk) Accounts were audited by Angela Thorpe.

Increase in membership fees meant more subs paid to EA and additional investment in club kit

Additional Monday Night hire of track to ensure parking for road run has seen a drop in profit from the track

Forest Five profit dropped and no boundaries relay meant a drop in income – increased income from our Home XC event but increased expenditure on entry fees for other events

Donations were received from Bracknell Half Marathon, The Big Half, London Marathon and Ride London – these were all as result of our members giving up their time to volunteer so Helen thanked everyone who has done that over the past 12 months.

We also subsidised the costs of the awards night and xmas party

Other costs were broken down into AGM, Awards, Website, garage rent and ‘other costs’

Plans to invest in the next 12 months are focussed on the new website and Coaching.

6: Angela Thorpe offered to audit the accounts again next year

7: In line with the EA increase our membership fees will increase to £38 for new First Claim members and £25 for renewals. For second claim members the joining fee is £25 with a renewal fee of £15

8:

- Chair – Mike Sankey was unopposed and elected Chair
- Secretary – Niki Felton was unopposed and elected Secretary
- Vice Chair – Gary Farrell was unopposed and elected Vice Chair
- Treasurer – Helen Coulthard was elected treasurer by present member vote
- Membership Secretary – Jonathon Errington was unopposed and elected membership secretary
- Ex Officio Members Nigel Jackson, Julian Fairley, Sean Jones, Peter Tott, Charlotte Davies, Jenny Griffiths and Rachel Stockdale stood for ex officio roles – Nigel, Sean, Rachel, Charlotte and Jenny were elected by present member vote

9: There was no any other business raised prior to the meeting

Mike thanked everyone for attending and the meeting ended at 8:36pm