

# **Minutes of Annual General Meeting of Derwent AC (Cockermouth) - 5/12/12**

## **Present**

Tony Davis(Secretary), John Barker(Treasurer & Membership Secretary), Philip Cueto(Social Secretary), Andy Adams(Coach), Kirsty Hitchen (Club Team Captain), Anna Blackburn, Steve Hackley, Malcolm Sloan, Joanne Eland, Sam Stead, Martin Dutton, Debbie Walker

### **1. Minutes of last AGM**

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

### **2. Treasurers Report**

The treasurer provided a report on the club balances. [This has been removed from the minutes for public issue].

### **3. Race Report**

It was reported that the Club held four road races in 2012. The Isel Cross (60 runners), the Lambfoot Loop (60 Runners), Hay-O trail (62 runners) and the Cumberland Ale 10 (53 runners). Total of 235 runners compared to 247 in 2011 250 in 2010 and 174 in 2009)

We lost Up & Running as a sponsor this year the main affect of this is the cost of prizes the Isel cross, the Lambfoot loop 10K and the Cumberland Ale 10. Goodfellow and Sons sponsored the Hay-O Trail and provided the prizes. The prizes for the Grand Prix were gift tokens from Up & Running for which we got a 20% discount, which is the same as previous years. Jennings donated some Cumberland Ale and provided the rest at a reduced price. Broughton Scouts manned the water station and marshalled the far end of the course. We also had help from various members' friends and family.

Although race numbers overall were down this year, The Isel Cross had another increase in entrants and is slowly growing year on year. The Lambfoot Loop and the Hay-O trail were on a par with last year. The loss in numbers was almost entirely down to the Cumberland Ale 10, one factor was almost certainly the rise in price brought about by the cost of food and the brewery. We probably need to push the advertising more to let people know what they are getting for the extra money.

The Club Grand Prix entries were dramatically down this year, the number of competitors who completed the required races to finish the Grand Prix was less than half of last years number. We need to seriously consider whether we should continue with this as this years numbers and arguably previous years numbers don't justify the money spent on prizes.

Derwent AC also hosted a Cumbrian Cross country series race. We ran a anticlockwise circuit this year with a similar route to last year. [Financial information removed]. Although more help was required at the end to dismantle the course.

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Isel Cross	15	33	32	37	54	60
Lambfoot Loop	42	54	44	72	61	60
Hay O Trail	35	29	37	62	63	62
Cumberland Ale 10	54	70	61	79	69	53
Total	146	186	174	250	247	235
Grand Prix		8 (6 & 2)	13 (10 & 3)	15 (11 & 4)	21 (13 & 8)	10(7 & 3)

It was decided to reduce the prizes for the 2013 grand prix to seniors and one veteran class and potentially put more of the prize resources into the main Cumberland Ale 10 prizes.

#### **4. 2013 Club Races and Dates**

Using the usual formula the 2011 race dates will be

Isel Cross	Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> March (Easter Saturday)
Lambfoot Loop	Tue 28 <sup>th</sup> May (4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday in May)
Hay-O Trail	Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup> July (1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday in July)
The Cumberland Ale 10	Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept (2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in September)

The possibility of staging as new race was discussed. Kirsty and Debbie agreed to look at a pilot race for UKA club members only.

#### **5. Membership Fees**

UKA fees for 2013 are £50 affiliation fee (unchanged) and £10 per person registration fee (up from £5). To cover the increase it was agreed that the Clubs annual membership fee should rise [Financial information removed].

#### **6. London Marathon Place**

As a UKA affiliated club Derwent AC receives one entry for the Virgin London Marathon. Two members, Duncan Lightfoot and Rob Morris, had expressed an interest in the club place. It was reported that because the system for registration had changed this year a draw had been made at an earlier club training session to give the winner longer to register. Duncan Lightfoot had been awarded the place. He had reported back that the new on line system was easy enough to use.

#### **7. Club Championship**

It was agreed that Andy Adams would nominate the races for the 2013 club championship. He would also try to work out the results 2012 as Howard Seal had started to do this but with his move we had lost track of the championship.

#### **8. Election / Re-election of Club Officials**

No nominations or resignations were received. It was pointed out that Howard Taylor the Chairman had not been to the club for some time. Martin Dutton agreed to make contact with him to ask if he was happy to continue in the role of chairman. It was asked if we should

nominate a new chairman should Howard decided not to continue but decided that the proper course of action was to check with Howard first then elect a new chairman at an SGM if required.

All club officials were re-elected.

## **9. Any Other Business**

Steve Hackley has agreed to take on the Club Web site.

Phil Cueto will look into ordering more male club vests.

A new session for slower athletes, who didn't want to join the main group, was to be started in December at 18:00 on Thursdays. Andy Adams would coach this session but it was pointed out that others will need to help out when Andy was unavailable.