

GLOUCESTERSHIRE AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT
THE GALA CLUB, FAIRMILE GARDENS, TEWKESBURY ROAD, GLOUCESTER
ON FRIDAY 17TH MARCH 2017

Present:	Sandra Ennis	Chair
	Norman Lane	Vice-Chair
	Rachel Vines	Treasurer
	Andy Hawkins	Cross-country Team Manager
	Norman Wilson	Road Running Team Manager
	Anne Wilson	Beyond the Limitations
	Chris Driskell	CLC Striders
	Elliot Prince	Cheltenham & County Harriers
	John Anderson	Life Member
	Julie Walford	Stroud & District AC
	Geoff Trueman	Stroud & District AC
	Mike Storey	Gloucester AC
	Lynn Hudson	Road Race Series Co-ordinator
	Steve Hudson	Deputy Road Race Series Co-ordinator
	Ian Willoughby	Coaching Secretary
	Georgina Emile	Angels RC
	Elizabeth Anthony	Angels RC
	Edwina Driver-Dickerson	Angels RC
	Mick Morris	Secretary
Apologies:	Ron Freeman	Gloucester AC
	Arthur Daley	Cross-country Secretary
	Ruth Fulford	Cirencester AC

ITEM 1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

1. The minutes of the executive committee meeting held on Friday 20th January 2017 were accepted as a true record.

ITEM 2. MATTERS ARISING

2. There were no matters arising.

ITEM 3. CHAIR'S REPORT

3. Good evening everyone. Only one thing to say tonight and that is to remind you all county track and field championships are here again and I am asking for your help again to ensure that we have another successful two days on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th May 2017 at the Prince of Wales Stadium, Cheltenham. I will be emailing our list of officials with the dates and a timetable, but I am also asking if you will please ask around your clubs for any coaches or parents who would be willing to give some time to help. Following recent reports in the local papers I am anticipating a possible rise in the number of para athletes. Karen and I have been a little concerned regarding some officials who because of the popularity of their event by the time they come in for refreshments

either the food has all gone or the refreshments bar is closed. Therefore with your permission I will be making up lunch bags for officials to take out with them. Well that's me finished. The meeting agreed Sandra's proposal that lunch bags be prepared for officials at our track and field championships.

ITEM 4. TREASURER'S REPORT

4. Rachel Vines reported that at the time of our last meeting we had a balance of £5709.66 in the current account. Since that meeting we had received income of £1782.95 and had expenditure of £921.30 giving a new balance of £6571.31. The secretary has just handed over bills for £590.00 (hire of coach for inter-counties cross-country championships at Loughborough on Saturday 11th March 2017 plus coach parking fee and team entry fees in addition to affiliation fee for Gloucestershire Playing Fields Association) which will need to come out of that total but we also have some further income totalling £309.00 which will be paid into our account shortly (£120.00 in coach fares plus £189.00 from sale of county vests). This means that currently we are in a good financial position although the secretary has stated that we need to purchase some more of the smaller sizes of team vest and also some more of the team colours (badges) that we present to first time county team members.

ITEM 5. SECRETARY'S REPORT

5. Mick Morris reported that we had a good turnout of athletes for the inter-counties cross-country championships at Loughborough last weekend. Although no one came back with a medal this time we still had athletes who finished highly and show definite promise for the future. The following achieved placings in the top 20 in their event which was very creditable running on the day:

Under 13 Girls	20 th Poppy Clark
Under 20 Ladies	9 th Zoe Wassell
Under 15 Boys	12 th Fraser Willmore
Under 20 Men	7 th Tom Mortimer.

There were others finishing in the top 50 as well. Our best team placing was 17th which was achieved by both the Under 15 Boys and the Under 20 Men. There was a very good atmosphere around the squad and it was lovely to see everyone getting on so well together and supporting each other.

6. Notices and announcements are as follows. Tetbury Royals have disbanded and will no longer be affiliating although some of their members still meet for a social run. Another running group has formed in Tetbury but they have not indicated they wish to affiliate yet. Bristol and West AC are holding night of paced 5000m races at Yate on Saturday 22nd July 2017. Pacing will be at 14m 30s thru to 22m 00s and each race will be limited to 25 runners. Entries are on-line. Forest of Dean AC are holding their spring 1 mile races at their track in the forest on 2nd May 2017. Parts 1 and 2 of the county track and field championships will take place at the Prince of Wales Stadium, Cheltenham on 13/14 May 2017 and the entry form and timetable have been sent out the club contacts this week. Part 3 (the 10000m, 1 mile and relays) will take place on the evening of 1 September 2017 at the Blackbridge Jubilee track in Gloucester. Severn AC have advised that they have a new website: <https://www.severnac.com/>. The county 10 km road championships will take place at Temple

Guiting on Sunday 2nd April 2017 as part of the Dave McNamee Memorial 10 km road race and the organisers have emailed details to county clubs. On Wednesday 31 May 2017 Dursley will be hosting their Dursley Peaks Race which is a hilly off-road 10.31 km race which has 318m of climb.

ITEM 6. CROSS-COUNTRY SECRETARY'S REPORT.

7. Arthur Daley was unable to make this meeting and had not had time to send in a full report but he did advise the secretary that offers to host fixtures for the upcoming season were going well which was very pleasing.

ITEM 7. EDUCATION AND WELFARE SECRETARY'S REPORT

8. Albert Gardiner reported that there was an officials course scheduled for 1 April 2017 at the Prince of Wales Stadium, Cheltenham with modules for Health and Safety, Field Judge and Track Judge and details plus application forms are available from the England Athletics website. Endurance officials should be aware that UKA will withdraw their licence if they do not complete the risk assessment course. We were offered the opportunity to run this course in the county but did not feel there was sufficient interest to warrant us doing so. Officials should note that it is possible to do the course on line and it is recommended that anyone who has not done the course takes it through this avenue as soon as they are able. Elliot Prince advised that there is an assistant coaches course being held at the Prince of Wales Stadium, Cheltenham on 15/16 April 2017.

ITEM 8. ROAD RACE SERIES CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

9. Lynn Hudson said there was nothing in particular to report at the moment other than that the third event in this year's series, the Gloucester 20, will take place this coming Sunday.

ITEM 9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

10. Road Race Series Awards. Julie Walford advised that Stroud & District AC would like to donate a shield for the Over 60 Men competition as that was a category for which we do not currently have a shield. Everyone agreed that this was very generous of the club and thanked them for their interest and support. Steve and Lynn Hudson said they would show them an example of current shields that were being presented to give Stroud some idea of what was currently in use.

11. County Road Relays Championships. Norman Wilson thanked everyone for their support of the road relays that were held at Harefield recently. There had been a good turnout from clubs both in the county and from outside and the event had gone well.

ITEM 10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

12. The next county executive meeting will take place at the Gala Club, Fairmile Gardens, Tewkesbury Road, Gloucester at 8.00 pm on Friday 2nd June 2017.

MICK MORRIS
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