Scottish Athletics Limited Road Running and Cross Country Commission

Minute of Meeting of Monday 7 July 2008 held at 6.30 p.m. in the SAL Offices, South Gyle, Edinburgh

Present:

Marjory Cook Convenor Alex Jackson East District Secretary

Graham Sword Finance Officer Jim Young Championships John Martindale Race Director (co-opted) Ken Hogg North District

Ian Hislop East District Convenor

Mike Johnston SAL, National Endurance Coach

Apologies:

Ron Morrison, Robin Thomas, Lindsay McNeill, Margaret Daly and Alan Potts

1. Chairman's Opening Remarks

Marjory welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were no outstanding performances to report although it was noted the 10K and ½ Marathon Championships had both been successful and well-attended events.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 April 2008 were agreed as a true record. Proposed: Ian Hislop. Seconded: Jim Young.

3. Matters Arising

2.1 Jim Dingwall Memorial Trust

It was agreed this matter should be left in the hands of Falkirk Victoria Harriers.

2.2 50K Championships

It was noted the event had been cancelled due to a lack of entries.

2.3 UK Risk Assessment Course

A report on the course is awaited from Margaret MacLachlan.

2.4 London Mini Marathon

The format for selection for future teams was discussed. It was agreed that Scottish Select teams would be named for this event in future and noted that this provided a better opportunity for North athletes to experience the event.

Action: AJ / MJ

3 Finance

Graham Sword reported that year end figures were now to hand and that RR&CC events had more or less been completed on budget. Representative events also fell within proposed budget figures. Alex Jackson proposed that entry fees should be increased and agreed to gather entry / cost details from previous years with a view to a list of suggested amended fees being prepared for the next meeting.

Action: AJ

4 Fixtures / Championships

The draft fixture list for 2008/09 winter season was distributed. It was fairly urgent that attention is given to identifying venues for the various events and championships. A number of options were discussed and it was agreed that possible hosts should be approached as a matter of urgency.

Action: AJ / GS

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5 Officials Commission

An accident report is required relating to an incident at the National Championships where some officials were lucky to escape injury. The event Referee will be contacted for a detailed report to enable compliance with the UK regulations.

Action: MC

6 Board of Management

Nothing to report.

7 Athletes' Report

No report.

8 District Committees

8.1 East District

Minute distributed. It was requested that confirmation that Callendar Park had been booked for the National Cross Country Championships should be secured along with clarification that no weddings were anticipated.

Action: AJ

8.2 West District

No meeting has taken place.

8.3 North District

No meeting has taken place

9 Correspondence

- 9.1 A letter has been received from the Mull of Kintyre ½ Marathon and 10K requesting that they are considered as hosts for the Scottish 10K Road Race Championships. Following discussion, it was agreed that they should be advised the offer had been declined due to travel problems.
 Action: AJ
- 9.2 A letter has been received from the Dunfermline ½ Marathon Championships requesting that they are considered as hosts for the Scottish ½ Marathon Championships. This offer was accepted.

 Action: AJ
- **9.3** A complaint was submitted on behalf of Ronhill Cambuslang Harriers regarding the fact that only Gold team medals were issued at the Road Running Championships. It was agreed that silver and bronze team medals would be awarded in future.

10 Other Business

No other matters were raised.

11 Date of Next Meeting

To be confirmed.

12 Press Release

No requirement for press release.

The meeting closed at 8.00 p.m.