Scottish Athletics Limited Road Running and Cross Country Commission

Minute of Meeting of Tuesday 23rd September 2008 held at 6.30 p.m. in the SAL Offices, South Gyle, Edinburgh

Present:

Ron Morrison Convener Alex Jackson Secretary
Graham Sword Finance Officer Jim Young Championships
Robin Thomas Vice-Convener Alan Potts SAL President

Ian Hislop East District Convener

Apologies:

Lindsay MacNeill, Margaret Daly, Marjory Cook, Ross Cunningham, Ken Hogg and Mike Johnston

1. Chairman's Opening Remarks

Ron welcomed all to the 1st meeting of the new season. He indicated that he would like to try a new way of running the meetings to concentrate on the development of the sport.

2. Appointments

Assistant Secretary Margaret Daly Vice Convenor Robin Thomas

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th July 2008 were agreed as a true record. Proposed: Ian Hislop. Seconded: Alex Jackson

4. Matters Arising

Jim Dingwall Memorial Trust

This item is removed from the agenda pending a reply from Falkirk Victoria Harriers.

UK Risk Assessment Course

Margaret Ann MacLachlan has done a CC and RR Risk Assessment course.

Feedback on this from Ann will be sought by the Commission

Action RRCC2008-1: AJ

London Mini Marathon

With no places for parents available at Royal Holloway College, 11/12 year olds would not be selected. This would be reflected in the 2008/09 Selection booklet.

5 Finance

Graham Sword reported that a budget had been agreed for 2008/09.

6 Fixtures / Championships

Jim Young reported that all CC and RR championship for the winter had a venue with the exception of the Young Athletes Road Champs. Jim Goldie of South Lanarkshire to be approached with a view to the event being held at East Kilbride. Jim Goldie was keen to host a future cross country champs, noted for 2009/10.

Nova to be contacted to confirm that the Inter District races can again be included within the Great Edinburgh event on 10th January.

Scottish Athletics Limited Road Running and Cross Country Commission

A yearbook check list will be prepared and available for event Conveners to show what requires to be done and when it should be done.

Action RRCC2008-2: AJ /JY

7 Officials Commission

Duncan McLaren and Sheila McDougall, the 2 persons involved in the gantry incident at the National at Falkirk are to be contacted by the Referee pending an incident report.

Action RRCC2008-3: RM

A list of officials who officiate at National and District Championships throughout the winter will be collected by the Commission and returned to the officials Commission as an accurate record of who has officiated at events.

Action RRCC2008-4: AJ

8 Board of Management

Nothing to report.

9 Athletes' Report

No report.

10 District Committees

10.1 East District

Minute distributed. The question of eligibility of Club v University has again arisen. Working group of Ron Morrison, Alex Jackson and Mike Johnston to look at the whole eligibility rule situation.

Action RRCC2008-5: RM

10.2 West District

Minute distributed. Medals for 2nd and 3rd Master medals in 6/4 Stage Road Relays will be awarded in April 2009.

Young Athletes age group Road Relay Champs. Staging of these would not be persued. In the last 2 seasons, Young Athletes Road Relays organised by SAL have had to twice be cancelled due to a lack of entries.

Action RRCC2008-6: AJ

10.3 North District

No report

11 Correspondence

An email has been received from the Highland Fling Ultra Trial Race to be held on April 25th 2009 requesting that their team race within the event be considered as a "Scottish Club Ultra Championships". This will be considered at next Commission meeting

Action RRCC2008-7: AJ

12 Other Business

Edinburgh AC (Women) and Ron Hill Cambuslang (Men) have been invited to represent Scotland in the European Clubs trial race at Liverpool on 29th November. Both clubs will be notified.

Action RRCC2008-8: AJ

GW has secured sponsorship for a Grand Prix of Cross-Country events for the coming season. The Commission suggests that the following events be considered.

District Championships (points 10-1)

Inter-district Championships (points 20-1)

4K Championships (points 20-1)

These have the advantage of having no sponsorships at the moment and being mixed senior/junior races.

Action RRCC2008-9: RM

Scottish Athletics Limited Road Running and Cross Country Commission

Ron indicated that he would like to try to run the Commission meeting differently. He suggested a system of starred items where all papers for the meeting are available electronically 1 week before the meeting. Any Commission member can star any item but only starred items would be discussed at the meeting. This will be trialled at the next meeting.

Action RRCC2008-10: RM/AJ

13 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday 3rd December at Adelaides, Glasgow

Meeting closed at 8.00pm