



**AGM Meeting Minutes
Held at the Snake Inn
1 May 2019 commencing 8.15pm**

1. Apologies

Andy Harmer
Dave Lockwood
Paul Sanderson
Ian Fitz
Ian Winterburn
Jon Morgan

2. The minutes of the last AGM were approved although a request was made that any reports referred to in those minutes should also be posted on the website.
3. Environmental policy – Tim Rutter summarised the draft policy he had prepared. He said that his aim was to promote a discussion on how to improve the Club's environmental footprint. Various proposals were considered in the context of how our races might be improved from an environmental perspective including requiring people to car share and trying to link train times to the start times of races.

Concern was expressed about the possibility of the policy as presently drafted getting the Club embroiled in political issues. Tim Tett confirmed that there had been widespread support by the Club Committee for the report. It was proposed that the report would go back to the Committee who would agree a set of principles which would then be recommended as the guiding principles for race organisers.

Members of the Club attending the AGM were asked whether an Environmental Officer should be appointed and the overall response was that we should have an Environmental Officer.

4. Pertex Film – Roger Baumeister commented that despite having a starring role in the film, he hadn't even had a pint from Pertex!

The general consensus was that the quality of the film was good and portrayed both the Club and fell running generally in a good light. Tim Tett summarised the statement about the film previously posted on the website by the Committee. Although not strictly to do with the Pertex film it was agreed that anyone could attend a Committee meeting even if they were not an elected member of the Committee if they wish to express a view on a certain matter which might include the Club's future involvement in commercial activities.

5. Directors/Officers' resignations and replacements – Tim Hawley confirmed that he was resigning and that Dave Arundel (an Accountant) had agreed to replace him as Treasurer. Ann Watmore also confirmed she was resigning and Simon Rippon had agreed to become

New Membership Secretary. Tom Saville was elected Men's Club Captain and Megan **Wilson** was elected an Officer with no portfolio. All other Directors/Officers of the Club were re-elected.

6. Treasury Report – Tim Hawley summarised his report. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.
7. Membership Report – A copy of Ann's report is attached to these minutes. Ann confirmed that the Club now has 443 members and 63 of those members have not yet paid their subs.
8. Edale Skyline – Gavin confirmed that once again the race went extremely well. The race was over-subscribed with 450 entries although only 302 started the race. Gavin confirmed that the route for next year will be the same as this year. It was agreed that there should be two sets of sweepers for next year's race. Gavin said that there had been one casualty where a runner had ended up with a punctured lung. Gavin commented that having done an analysis of where the runners came from only 4 runners came from the Lake District whereas a significant number of racers came from the Midlands.
9. Burbage Skyline – Paul Fauset confirmed that the route had changed and the race was pre-entry only now. He also confirmed that for the first time there will be a Juniors race.
10. Junior Membership Report – Lewis Ashton read out his report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.
11. AOB:-
 - (i) Dave Taylor commented that there had been a lack of recognition by the Club of the individuals who had won major championships. He said that there had not been enough mention of peoples' achievements at the Club dinner. It was commented that since Dark Peak News had stopped, the information previously made available to members about Club achievements had been lacking. It was agreed that the Club should celebrate success and it was also agreed that the Club Captains should put out reports on how we did at championship races and at the end of each championship series.
 - (ii) The Committee was asked to give thought to how we make the Club and/or its Committee more diverse.
 - (iii) A query was raised about Dark Peak News. It was commented that we should be publishing interesting events on Twitter and Facebook and the Dark Peak website. It was queried whether we need a Communications Officer. Dave Holmes confirmed he was happy to work with anyone who is appointed as Communications Officer.
 - (iv) Lewis Ashton reminded the Club that someone needed to organise the handicap for the Club Championships this year because he wasn't doing it. The Club also needs someone to volunteer to organise the Club Championships.

- (v) Ralph wanted to raise awareness of the way grouse moors were being managed. It was agreed that this issue would be considered at the next Committee meeting on 28 June 2019.
- (vi) Tim Tett said that a date for the Thornbridge weekend had not been agreed and because we didn't have an organiser or a venue it was unlikely that the Thornbridge family weekend would take place this year, although it was agreed that if possible the Thornbridge race should still take place.
- (vii) Gregg Rimmer made an observation that having just come back from Ireland, a lot of smaller Clubs were able to turn out more teams in championship races in an environmentally friendly fashion through the use of mini buses getting their racers to and from championship races. He suggested that we should use some of the Club funds to get more of our own willing members to major races. It was suggested that we should set a budget for Club Captains to organise buses to get members to races. It was also agreed that the Club would support anyone who wanted to attend the next championship race which we would use as a test case to see how things went.

The meeting closed at 10.35pm.