

# Annual General Meeting Minutes of Meeting

Time: 19:00 - 21:00

Date: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct 2014 Venue: Leziate Village Hall,

**Attendees:** Kirsty Bunting (KB), Mark Collins (MC), Dave Neale (DN), Nicky Rogers (NR), Julia Pepperell (JPep)

Jess Cunningham, Anna Seaman, Geraldine Jordan, Karl Patterson, Matthew Davis, Miles Thomas, Rob Johnston, Alistair Doig, Colin Simpson, Sue George, Jamie Staples, Daniel Guppy, Gordon Cunningham, Emma Cuthell.

### **Apologies:**

Stina Thorarinsson, Mark Germany.

### **Minutes**

Item	Description	Action
1	Welcome and Introductions	
	MC opened the AGM and thanked everyone for coming.	
2	Apologies	
	See above	
<u>3</u>	Committee reports	
	Chairman's Report – see appendix 1	
	Treasurers Report – see appendix 2	
	Secretary's Report – see appendix 3	
4	Election of New Club Committee	
	MC informed the meeting that all current committee members were	
	willing to carry on in their current positions except Welfare Officer (Mark	
	Germany) who has resigned from post due to other commitments and	
	Funding and Sponsorship (Miles Thomas). There is also a new position	
	this year of Membership Officer.	
	A majority vote from members resulted in the following committee	
	members being re-elected onto the committee.	
	Mark Collins was voted in as Chairman	
	Stina Thorarinsson was voted in as Vice-Chairman	

- Julia Pepperell was voted in as Treasurer
- Kirsty Bunting was voted in as Secretary
- Dave Neale was voted in as Training Co-ordinator
- Nicky Roger was voted in as Public Relations Officer
- Sue George was voted in as Clothing Secretary
- Anna Seaman was voted in as Social Secretary

No members had come forward for the position of Welfare Officer or Fundraising and sponsorship therefore we would continue to look for someone to take this role. Both would be discussed at the next committee meeting.

Julia Pepperell came forward to take on the role of Membership Officer as part of her current Treasurer role. This was put to a vote and Julia was unanimously voted into the post.

### 5 Adjustment to constitution

The following proposals were bought to the AGM:-

### **Nominee Jason Pattinson**

- 1. It's not clear if it allows for election of officers at an EGM. It's open to interpretation. **DN** stated that the constitution reads that AGMs and EGMs will follow the same procedures so hence elections of Officers will be the same.
- 2. No option for a vote of no-confidence by club members in committee members. A no confidence level should be decided and if the required number of club members submit a written proposal it should be followed through. The option to add a vote of no confidence to the constitution was after much discussion put to a vote, 5 yes's for the motion and 14 nos. So proposal declined.
- 3. Requires too many committee members to attend meetings and pass decisions based on previous attendance. Numbers should be reduced as often meetings were not at the required level. **See below**

#### **Nominee Dave Neale**

1. Constitution:

Club Committee. "The quorum required for business to be agreed at Management Committee will be: 5"

"The quorum required for business to be agreed at Management Committee will be: 4, with a minimum of 2 Officers."

All members voted to pass this change.

	2. Annual Subs:	
	"Executive/ Management committee shall propose membership fees which will be set annually at the Annual General Meeting, Fees will be paid: annually on 1st January".	
	"Management committee shall set membership fees annually following an Annual General Meeting for the next year. Fees will be due for payment in January of each year".	
	All members voted to pass this change.	
<u>6</u>	Meeting Close	
	MC closed the meeting	

### Appendix 1

# Chairman's Report - 2013 AGM

Thank you all for attending our 2<sup>nd</sup> AGM tonight.

I would like to start by saying thanks to Jason and our outgoing committee members, without them our club wouldn't be here.

Jason mentioned in his report last year that it was a year of firsts. I believe that we have continued that this year.

- We had first set of swimmer improvement sessions on Sunday mornings, these sessions were well attended and produced some great results
- We attended the first East region relay championships at Boxend, Bedford with 4 teams and looking at attending again this coming season
- More importantly we had members complete their first ever tris, and members stepping up
  for the first time to the middle and long distance events. It has been great reading Nicky's
  race reports and following the feeds on Facebook, with the before event nerves and
  questions to the post-race excitement and looking forward to do next one comments.

I look forward to seeing what new challenges you all have lined up for next year, whether it be following Alistair's lead running up mountains, or fore filling challenges that you may have thought beyond you.

### **Training**

I would like to say massive thanks, on behalf of all members that attended our training sessions, to our coaches Dave, Jess, Steve, Gaby and Jake. Who give up their time to help us get better. Also to Mark for arranging the Sunday morning rides during the summer.

We have launched our winter training program, this includes weekly run sessions, weekly turbo, regular brick sessions and the weekly swim at st James'. I want to make sure our sessions can offer a more tri related training than we can get elsewhere. Hopefully with the training sessions being held regularly we can build them into our winter training plans.

Unfortunately our OWS sessions didn't go as planned this season. However the sessions that did go ahead where well attended and something our members want. I have been able to obtain funding from Adrian Flux to enable us to buy 2 club kayaks, so we now have safety hardware, just need the help to man these during the sessions.

OWS is something the club needs, however going forward these sessions will require more assistance from members to help out manning kayaks, helping out on shore before, during and after the session. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Jason and Mark for the last season and half turning up each week to enable us to swim.

I would like to say thanks to our committee for helping me get to grips with my new role and also all the hard way they do behind the scenes, without the time they all give to our club the club would not be here.

Thanks to Nicky for her race reports, it is so nice to see your hard work highlighted to our community and also to get others involved in what we do. Remember to keep giving your results to Nicky and any information from the event, keep her busy next year.

Our members have taken part in a wide variety of events this year, from first time sprint triathlons to multiple ironman distance races.

We had a huge turnout at the Wells tri this year, rivalling Tri-Anglia and from a spectator side it is great to see all our members chatting, giving encouragement to each other before during and after the race. Something we should be very proud of as a club. We have had a number of social events which have been well attended and we plan to have more of these in the future.

I am aware that a few members have had issues with membership; this is something we are looking into and will hopefully get resolved as soon as possible.

Looking forward the club is in a good position financially

- we have new members joining us,
- bringing out a newsletter to keep you all informed of race results, upcoming events, help the club needs and any other news items.
- Tri specific sessions

Building on the success and foundations this club has.

Fingers crossed we can hold a KLTC branded event next year, as this is something I would love to see.

Finally really really looking forward to the next 12 months, to see new faces competing, people achieve new goals and all the stories and new pb's.

We have a great club that we should be proud to represent and hopefully go out there and kick some arse!!

Thank you for listening

Mark Collins

KLTC Chair 2014

### Appendix 2

## **Treasurer's Report 2014**

- 1. The first years' accounts have been verified by a credited auditor. At the end of the first year the club had £1,925 in the bank.
- 2. Subs and the income from swimming were the club's only two means of income.
- 3. It was unclear how much money was lost (or not) on clothing as there were no accurate records kept in that money was just paid in. Some information was given and this information is seen in the accounts.
- 4. The club currently has £1,943 (approximately) in the bank
- 5. £480 has been written off, this being the cost of the dinghy and outboard motor.
- 6. £350 has been totally wasted on paying for outdoor water facilities that has not been used.

### **Appendix 3**

### Secretary's Report 2014

As I'm sure many of you are aware I have only taken on the secretary's post in the last two months and have thus found it quite difficult to write this report not having been in the committee over the last year. I think I can say that we have had a difficult second year, with some of the founding members leaving the committee and membership dwindling. Firstly I would like to say a big thank you to the previous committee for what they have put in place as we have a great club here, and looking forward I believe that the new committee can build on what we already have.

As with last year we have received a number of grants and funding for coaching and equipment as well as support from other facilities, clubs and individuals and I would like to thank everyone for their time and effort. A lot of members have seen their own firsts this year with first tri's, Olympic and half ironman distances and who could forget our ironmen and women, some of whom I'm sure will say that it was also their last. The support which people give to each other within this club I think is phenomenal and is what make this club great, not only during training sessions and but also on race day. The number of people who turned out to the North Norfolk Tri this year, just to support those competing was great and made all the difference to those of us racing, a friendly face and shout of encouragement goes a long way when you know you've still got a 10k run to complete.

To paraphrase my predecessor from last year's AGM, I'd like to appeal for anyone who can to step forward and volunteer for either a job on the committee or to help in any way in the running of Kings Lynn Triathlon Club. We are only a small club but our club doesn't run itself, without the time put in by volunteers there simply wouldn't be a club. Please don't leave it to the few, please don't sit back and wonder why things don't happen, come forward to help and make it happen.

As a club we hope to run our own event next year without volunteers this isn't going to be possible, not just on the day but in the run up to the event. We also want to see the open water swimming sessions return next year, again we need to have people who are willing to take the relevant qualifications and then be able to man the powerboat or kayaks. We would like to see a pool of people doing this so that the responsibility isn't left to a few. If you can help, however big or small please let one of the committee members know.

Club Secretary.