

Minutes Portsmouth Triathletes Annual General Meeting 22 November 2024 at Queens Hotel

Present: Attendance of members exceeded the required quorate of 10% (24). AGM deemed to be quorate by the Secretary in accordance with the club constitution.

Apologies: Steve Bullock, Nigel and Linda Selley, Hilary Fewings.

1. Minutes & matters arising AGM 2023

The Minutes of the AGM of November 2023 were agreed as a true and correct record of the meetings. There were no matters arising.

2. Reports from Club Officers and Committee Members

Treasurer

David shared details of the accounts for October 2023 – September 2024. They have reduced from £21,000 to £18,000, showing a loss of £3,000, although £2,000 of this is held in club stock which reduces the net adjusted loss to £1,000. There was an income of £16,700 and includes £10,000 from swimming sessions. There was no profit from the swimming, all income covers costs (pool hire, training and coaching fee's)

The remaining £6,700 of income came from membership and sales. Expenditure totalled £9,800. Costs includes the beach hut and garage, which rose by 9%. Expenditure includes the subsidised End of Season Award party.

It is planned to have the accounts audited this year by voluntary support, saving the club £500. Looking ahead, it is too early to see whether there will continue to be further cost pressures, but the decision is to hold the membership at their current level.

Welfare

Kevin reported that the past year has not been as quiet as previous years, other than covid times. The work will continue as usual for the coming year, after which a new welfare officer will be needed as he will be retiring. Kevin thanked the committee for their support and efforts.

Training

The club has put on close to 420 sessions spanning official, coached, uncoached and unofficial. Kirsty noted that the sessions would not go ahead without the efforts of the coaches and thanked Lesley, Mike, Rob, Jo, Suzanne and Kevin. Each putting a lot of effort into their areas of coaching, notably Lesley sorting the swimming, Mike the cross country, both with the help of Kevin. Suzanne the Saturday mornings and Rob the rides. Not forgetting James and his support with the beach hut.

Tri Development

There have been a lot of great events over the past year. Discounts were arranged for some events, with more to come next year, including River Arun, Cotswold, Huntsman and the Tribourne event. All information is available on the App for members to access.

Communications

Sam has spent most of the past year focused on the new CmC App and shared his thanks to colleagues on the committee for their support and help. This was the first time doing something

like this and it has been interesting learning the role. Hopefully members are seeing the benefits of the change.

Membership

Like Sam, Lew was new to the committee last year. There are 235 members, which is less than last year but reflects a data cleansing process where auto renewals were removed and not actually active members for many years. Renewals have gone ok, the joint process was a bit sketchy. Work continues with CmC who are trying to make it easier next time round.

Social

Cala reflected on the busy and exciting year that we've all had, not least to maximise the opportunities to come together and support each other in events, socials and having fun. Social's have maximised the opportunities presented through the beach hut, with tanks to James for his time looking after the hut.

Vice Chair

After spending 2 years on the committee it is time for Penny to step down. Penny shared her thanks to the committee for their work and for the opportunity to get to know more about the club through the role. One role has been sorting out the club awards which has been a real pleasure, getting to know more about members and their achievements.

Secretary

Sandy shared that she will be stepping down after over 4 years covering the role. As well as covering the role she has been involved in developing the club plan, sorting swimming payments and helping to source the new App. There role gives a great insight into the club and the work of the committed volunteers.

Affiliations are all up to date and include

- British Triathlon Federation
- England Athletics
- Cycle Time Trials and
- Southern Cross Country League

Chair

Alex refers to members as the 'Tribe' which he notes is *a social division with a common culture and dialect* and reflected that if anyone sees us [members] gathering on the beach discussing splits and transition they would understand the reason for using this endearing term. Alex went on to thank the volunteers and members. Also thanking the committee members for their hard work over the past year, especially Sam and Lew who have put a significant amount of time and effort into getting the new App sorted out.

There will be some changes as Penny and Sandy are stepping down, Again, thanks given to both and new committee members welcomed

Honorary membership nomination(s)

Two nominations were received and approved this year for Alex Higgins and Kevin McTaggart.

Election of Club Officers and Committee Members

Following the necessary nomination process the following members were duly elected to serve on the Club Committee to November 2024

Position	Appointed
Chairman	Carla Higgins
Vice Chair	Arran Deakin
Secretary	David Sharp
Membership	Lew Marsh
Treasurer	David Sharp
Newsletter	Kevin
Welfare	Kevin
Communications	Sam Wheeler
Training	Kirsy Kennedy
Social Secretary	Michael Hawkes
Tri development	Tim Adams

With no further business the meeting was closed.