

AAC committee Meeting 20th July 2021

Apologies: Jack Wright, Ben Abdelnoor

1. Juniors update: Nikki said there is a junior international this weekend, including some of our juniors running in an England vest for the first time. Currently the Juniors are second in the national champs, though races have all been out of area and poorly organised. Nikki will be arranging a junior inter-counties race next year, which is quite a big event, probably in May. Senior helpers will be needed.
2. Website update – Chris Giles offered to help making the website more attractive and relevant –eg more prominent newsfeeds, calender of events. There are lots of new members – how best to inform them of club training etc? A FAQ and/or new members section was suggested eg how to join, what to expect on runs, what kit needed, how fit should I be etc.. ,
3. Mens' and womens' vet captains role. Ian Barnes offered to be Mens Vets captain, Cath Musetti to do the women (tbc)
4. Senior men's team turn out at champs races. Disappointing numbers. How do we create a vibe amongst the club to encourage participation? The juniors are good at this, but it needs a lot of ringing up, jollyng along etc.
5. End of season relay team selection. Should this be purely on who is fastest, or who has turned out for the team over the year?
6. Organisation of Tuesday training night and liaising with new runners before they come along. Needs to be a nominated leader each Tuesday for each of the different groups. This leader keeps a count of runners, and briefly describes the run at the start so that new runners know what they are doing. Also need a quick visual check that people have emergency kit. Chris H doing a great job at this so far, and is happy to take the steady group.

7. Summer/Autumn social. Who will organise a Christmas social?
A summer social, possibly in early September, was popular.
Ideally the rugby club. We could investigate getting in a catering van/hog roast (vegan etc options needed).
8. Welfare officer role for seniors. This is in place for juniors, but is probably needed for the seniors to deal with issues such as juniors moving up to seniors. Dan Dux offered to do this, and to be a contact point for any issues.
9. AAC to organise junior Inter Counties race in 2022. This will be quite a big event requiring lots of marshalls.
10. Notice: Lakeland country fair and race, Sunday 15th August, pre-entry only

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England Athletics membership. If any club members wish to run in cross country then EA fees of £15 are payable. With club fees so low it was felt reasonable that people should pay their own fee. The club will do the registration.