Wymondham Athletic Club Half Yearly meeting minutes 2nd August 2004

Present: Peter, Dawn, Russell, Ron, Jenny, Kim, Margaret, Dennis, Steve, Alan, Terry, Andrew

Apologies For Absence

Ian Sturgess, Paul Wightman, Terry Epps, Karl Chapman, Mike Smith, Mike Pope, Geoff, Dean, The Preston family.

2. Chairman's Introduction

Peter Clarke thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Races – Peter thanked Eurwyn and the race committee for all their hard work with this year's race. Sponsorship has increased this year with Poynter Professional Services, Waitrose and The Norfolk golf club all sponsoring the various races throughout the year. The race committee has been allocated extra funds to purchase signs, marshal bibs etc. Club members have produced a good turn out at the WAC races.

Quiz Night – Peter asked if the club would like a quiz night to be run in October 2004. Members advised that they were not really interested in a quiz night; however, Ron suggested that some sort of quiz could be run at the presentation evening in December 2004. Members were happy with this and Peter agreed that the committee will discuss this at the next committee meeting.

Action committee

Foot prints – Peter thanked Kim for all her hard work and advised members that the magazine will be published 3 times a year from now on.

Alex Hartley - Peter advised that the committee have agreed that Alex Hartley will become an honorary member from now on. Peter thanked Alex for all his support over the years that he has been a WAC member.

Coaching – Peter thanked Ron and the coaches for all their hard work and advised that the coaching was very successful.

Summer Handicap series – Peter thanked Steve for all his help with the successful handicap series so far.

Club Shed – The shed has now been erected at the Rugby club and is being used to store all the race materials.

Presentation Evening – Peter advised that this will be held on Saturday 11/12/2004 at the Norfolk Golf club.

3. Senior Citizens Membership Rates

Peter advised that he had been approached by a member about offering a special rate to all members over 60 as there were now many older runners in the club. A discussion followed and Peter advised that the issue had to be raised at the annual AGM meeting in February 2005. Members were happy with this.

4. Ketts Park Relay

Peter advised that the relay will be held on Friday 20/08/2004 at 7.30 pm at the Ketts Park community centre, where there will be a bar and free barbeque. The chosen charity will be the Neuroblastoma Society, which fights childhood cancer. Steve's grandson is currently being treated for cancer and the committee felt that as Steve is a WAC member this would be a good charity to donate the proceeds to this year. Entry forms have been sent to all the local running clubs and we have received some entries. Dawn advised that she will bring some entry forms to the club next week for all interested members.

Action Dawn

5. Round Norfolk Relay

Russell advised that the men's team is all ok but they could do with some reserve people. He also advised that the club would need to purchase another warning light for the vehicle and two more stop watches. He advised that he will contact Barford Hire for vans. Margaret advised that she has a full ladies team but a few ladies still need to collect their information packs and confirm they will definitely be taking part. Ron suggested that Margaret contact all the ladies who have not responded by phone now to check they were still ok to take part. Margaret agreed to do this.

Action Margaret

6. WAC Christmas Party

Peter advised that this is all going ahead as discussed earlier on 11/12/2004. There will be a meal and disco provided and the club will offer a discount to all members. 'The committee will be discussing this at the next committee meeting.

Action committee

7. 10K Handicap

Peter asked if the club would like Steve to arrange a10k race. A discussion followed and it was agreed that the club would prefer Steve to organise another 5k race. A date was set for the race to be held on Monday 16/08/2004. Steve agreed to arrange this. **Action Steve**

8. AOB

Hethersett Old School Track

Ron asked when the track sessions should finish at the school this year. Kim advised that the club should have two more track weeks and then two weeks of cross country running. From the beginning of September the club will move the track sessions to the UEA track.

Coaching

Ron advised that the coaching sessions are going well and are well attended on Mondays and Thursdays. Members agreed with this. Ron advised that there will be a coaching meeting at the end of August. Ron asked if the club has received any information from the Athletics Associations regarding coaching courses in the Norfolk area. Dawn advised that she will look at the recent correspondence and see if information has been received recently.

Action Dawn

The meeting concluded at 20.30pm

Dawn Wightman (WAC Secretary)

Next committee meeting 6th September 2004

