

# **Agenda of the Committee Meeting of the Mid Sussex triathlon Club**

The Bent Arms Lindfield, 20-7-15 at 8pm

## 1. Committee for Meeting

David Ricketts-club secretary

Mark Jordan-President

Rose Ryan-Junior secretary

Peter Harris -membership secretary

Stephen Mcmenamin-race guy-APOLOGIES

**Julienne Stuart-Colwill- social secretary part 1 -APOLOGIES**

Kay Mcmenamin-social secretary (part 2)-APOLOGIES

Rachel Baker-treasurer

Rob Hoodless

Steve Alden

J Williams- welfare officer

Kate Eifler- club kit

Hazel Tuppen- Level 2 coach-APOLOGIES

Jeremy Paine

Dale Moore

Callum Murray

Angela Murray

## 2. Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting on 20-7-15 were agreed.

### 3. Club Coaching

David Jones was thanked for his past coaching efforts. Grant is now to be the lead coach assisted principally by Hazel, Neil, and Mark. It was decided to hold a 'meet the coaches' evening after swimming at 9 30 pm at the Dolphin (date to be advised). This could be reinforced by an email summarising the coaching strategy after the event.

Barry and Jake Newman are scheduled to complete a Level 1 course. We have funds to sponsor one more course- please apply to Mark Jordan if you are keen to do a coaching course.

Mark has discussed with BTF officials the problems of the need to have Level 2 coaches coaching every session and how we manage this to keep our insurance valid.

### 4. Juniors and GoTri

Go Tri was hailed as a great success and the team and coaches were thanked for their efforts.

Rose Ryan has resigned as secretary of GoTri. Rose and Trevor were thanked for their 6 years of efforts. The committee hoped that those people who had expressed an interest in taking over the role will do so.

In the future it is planned to have training days in Spring and Autumn and GoTri in the summer. These dates need to be circulated to the membership by email and Facebook. During GoTri smaller groups with a more flexible timetable are planned. The coaches will do their own planning for each session.

It was decided to purchase a finish banner for our various races including GoTri and the Burgess Hill triathlon.

### 5. Swimming

130 members have now signed up for open water swimming. Many sessions are attended by more than 40 swimmers. The system is continually being finessed. Safety is paramount and so there are now 2 Kayaks. As the water level goes down the buoy will need to be moved appropriately.

As for other clubs attending swimming there are still problems with East Grinstead members not attending for their Dutyman sessions. Crawley Wheelers want to attend too. This was agreed provided that they are sponsored by a club member, have purchased day membership, paid for the session and are supervised for the first swim. Supervision is usually by Mark Jordan, Steve Mac or Hazel Tuppen and they need to be notified by email in advance so that they can attend.

A jetty (Julies' Jetty) is likely to be made available to swimmers later in the year. It will be situated adjacent to the rowers jetty. We will not then have to walk onto their jetty.

## 6. Mid Sussex tri race

The committee asked that Matt Critchley drew up a DutyMan for marshalling at the race in future. It was also planned to hold a debrief after the race in future.

Steve Mcmenamin's report:

A massive success once again only issue was the centre double booking dance contests so all the traffic choked the event and surrounding roads. I managed to clear most of it and guided the bikes through so not too bad, I have talked to them about this and am assured it was a booking error... we shall see next year.

There were 324 entrants, with 290 taking part on the day 19 of which were in the Aquabike. (winning male time 1:06:17, Female 1:17:05)

I have a lot of the Event Clips left over (these attach a race number to your top without ruining it with pins) so grab some from me. Perhaps put them in the new members pack?

A few special thank you's:

- The sponsorship team lead by Emma Smith and helped by Morwenna, Jo Fleming and Sandra Wescott who all did a fantastic job. It is probably one of the hardest jobs to do we will need more help in this area next year.
- Steve Alden who stores and drags out the racking and other equipment each year. An extra thanks to Emma Smith by dragging father-in-law, Hubby Lee and their flatbed truck and trailer round to Steve's to get the racking.
- Rob Hoodless who gets all the marshals together,
- Rach Baker, Hazel, James Dear, Mark Jordan and Pete Harris as the section heads.

Extra special thanks to Dale as It is always quite a stressful day for me with so many things happening but this year I was helped massively by Dale.

Currently started working on next year which will be 12<sup>th</sup> July 2016

To all section heads please let me know if you do not want to do this next year.

The real thanks comes from the competitors I have been putting the feedback on our site please do visit this bit it's great to read and its makes all the effort worth while:

<http://www.midsussextriclub.com/the-mid-sussex-triathlon/race-info/feedback.aspx>

"Marshals: Plentiful supply and dead friendly. None of them looking like they wished they were somewhere else "

I would just like to write and thank you for putting on such a brilliant event.

What I enjoyed about the whole event was the fact that everyone was so friendly, all the people involved were very approachable and couldn't do enough for you.

My family even commented on this, after asking for the best place to watch and where the run course was, the marshals went out of their way to show them where to watch and even explained a little about the whole triathlon.

As I live in Haywards Heath and see you train there and also after seeing what a friendly bunch you are I am very interested in joining the club. Edward

I thoroughly enjoyed the race, well swim time down a bit need to push it more, but many thanks to you and all the wonderful marshals who indeed made it one of the friendliest races I have done.

#### 7. Club Kit

Please apply to buy club kit if you would like new kit as Kate Eifler is preparing a new order. At least 15 items are required for an order. Long sleeved cycle vests, run vests, time trial suits and dry robe towels are now available.

#### 8. Treasurers' report

The Dolphin has tried to charge us for the swimming lanes for up to 10pm. So we need to be out of the lanes by 9 30 pm please.

#### 9. Chairmans' Report

No new matters had arisen.

#### 10. Social Matters

Callum Murray has arranged a club fundraising day at Cuckmere Haven on 26-7-15. The circulated emails have the details.

Dale has arranged a Treasure hunt on 5-9-15. Again the emails have the details (teams of 4, points based so time isnt important, ends at a pub for a BBQ, off road cycles needed, 22 miles, £10 a head)

#### 11. AOB

Date of AGM 19-11-15.

Date of next committee meeting 5 October

Applications for Club Chairman and Vice Chair/Chair Elect: The only application for Chairman has been Morwena Hook with Jeremy Paine assisting. It was decided that the following members should meet to define the various roles and necessary changes to the constitution: David Ricketts, Mark

Jordan, Morwena Hook, Jeremy Paine, Steve Alden, Julie Williams. David Ricketts will arrange this and notify by newsletter the changes made.

It was noted that the club's 20 year anniversary is in 2017. Celebrations will need to be planned!