

Management Committee Meeting:	Wednesday 24 April 2019
Attendees:	Chris O'Hara; Ian Ainscough; Leigh Jenkins; Nigel Waterhouse; Aaron Riley; Anthony Brennan. Jess Archer Clowes attended to discuss volunteering and social events
Apologies:	Neil Thomas;

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- 1. Majorca Training Camp** – it was reported that the training camp had been a success and really well organised trip. The accommodation and activities represented fantastic value for money in comparison to what others offered. The Committee expressed its thanks to those who had given up their time to organise it.
- 2. Development plan** – following discussions at February and March meetings, it was agreed that views should be sought from the whole membership on the future direction for the club and sustainability. IA confirmed that the club currently has c.£100k in the Bank, but the period March to September sees to biggest expenses on events. All of the senior events should break-even this year. IA estimated that there was a surplus of £50k that could be re-invested.

There is scope to continue to support each of the disciplines. Discussion was also had about opportunity to investigate potential investment in Square One or the gym at City Baths.

LJ will prepare a question for members, probably to go out in the newsletter.

- 3. Deva accounts** – it was agreed that we need to get the accounts audited to allow the club to progress to Trimark Silver and for transparency. If there is an issue with providing historic accounts, we could start with the Deva 2019 accounts. **NW to mention this to Dan when they meet this week.**
- 4. JAC joined to discuss volunteers.** NW confirmed that there are currently 25 people signed up for Deva. JAC has spoken to Andy White. He had confirmed that for his races they don't use charity marshals in individual spots. Deva doesn't have any suitable areas for that and the need is in the individual positions around the bike course.

It was agreed to authorise the use of paid marshals on the Deva up to the £6,000 budget for 2018. **NW to confirm this to Dan.**

NW is going to arrange for Dan to send an e-mail to membership asking them to sign up. Consider whether to guarantee right-sized hoody and t-shirt if

- signed up by a specific date. E-mail to encourage replacement marshals for any members who are racing.
5. **Deva set up and race day volunteers** – discussion around the co-ordination and allocation of roles for volunteers on the weekend. In particular, there is a need for a person responsible for transition, the Groves and registration. NW is to consider who they should be and ensure that he is free to have oversight of volunteers, rather than running one area.
 6. Two specific areas were considered based on feedback from last year. There is a need for more marshals on the Handbridge. This can be particularly difficult with pedestrians when the first runners are crossing and cyclists are still on the bike course. The Meadows would benefit from more signs to warn where the runners will be.
 7. **Social events** – JAC confirmed that the party on the meadows after Dee Mile was not approved by the Council. Instead, there is a proposal was for a Kona themed party in October and a Mulled Wine and mince pie event before Christmas.
 8. JAC and Jo Harding are looking into the possibility of using one of the showboats as the party venue. As it is the Club's 25th Anniversary, it was proposed that free places should be offered to the life members and to recognise the history of the club as part of the evening.
 9. Kona party was very well received by the committee and JAC/JH are going to look at pricing and options.
 10. CO'H asked whether there was anything more that we could do to recognise the 25th year of the Club. The Committee agreed it would be happy to support other events. JAC mentioned that it is possible to arrange a session with Chrissie Wellington, which would be in keeping with the Kona theme. JAC is going to look at prices and availability.
 11. JAC mentioned that Kenny Begley is looking at a training weekend in the Lakes in September. No proposal has been put forward for that yet.
 12. **Awards** – it was agreed that it would not be practical to have the scale of awards on the showboat. Therefore, it was proposed that the nominated awards would be presented on the 'Kona' evening by the Captain and the league awards would be presented at the AGM. **IA to speak to Iain about this.**
 13. Iain Wood had sent an e-mail updating on the winter league. IW had referred to the good feedback on the Facebook profiles of nominees before last year's awards and this was agreed with. A question was raised whether it was possible to create the profiles without asking individual members to write their own pen portraits, could this come from the nominee?
 14. IW has mentioned that plans were underway for an event in May to present new awards for the winter league. JAC wasn't aware of that social event. **IA**

▼ will speak to IW about the budget for the events and awards, as that hasn't been approved yet.

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