

# Heart of England Athletics League



## A.G.M Minutes

**Date of Meeting:** Wednesday 20th November 2019  
**Time:** 7:00 pm  
**Location:** The Pavilion, Stratford upon Avon School, CV37 9DH

### Attendees

Alan Wymant	Corby	Mary Baker	Saffron
Barry Yates	Nuneaton	Mike Miles	Witney
Carolyn Johnston	Stratford	Nick Wilson	Nuneaton
Clyde Goodwin	Bicester	Paul Bearman	Stratford
Colin Jacks	Coventry	Pete Stewart	Worcester
Gill Repton	Worcester	Rheanna Hinds	DASH
Ian Harris	DASH	Richard Carney	BRAT
James Charles	Banbury	Rita Brownlie	B & R
John Swann	Corby	Ron Oliver	K&SAC
Kay Shaw	R&N	Stewart Barnes	Coventry
Linda Wymant	Corby	Sue Taylor	Solihull
Martin Smith	Droitwich	2 x	Wreake

### Agenda:

1. Apologies for absence
2. League Officers
3. Presentation of 2019 trophies and medals
4. Issues with 2019 competition.
5. 2020 League Programme.
6. League Rules.
7. 2020 League/Division Composition and Letters/numbers.
8. 2020 Fixtures, Dates and Venues.
9. Results Collators
10. Sponsorship
11. Accounts
12. A.O.B.

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### Action

PB opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. and was appointed to the chair.

### 1. Apologies

Apologies received from

Radley	Harborough	Tamworth
Amber Valley	Halesowen	Royal Sutton
Telford	Daventry	
Kettering	Leamington	

*Apologies if anyone has been missed off if they sent their Apologies*

## **2. League Officers.**

PB offered to continue again as Chairperson and MS offered to continue as Treasurer and Results Coordinator.

There were no other candidates so both were duly elected. PB thanked MS for his hard work behind the scenes in producing the results package and all the new analysis for the Athlete of the Match and Best Performance.

## **3. Presentation of 2019 trophies and medals**

The Trophies, Medals and Athlete of the Match T Shirts were generously provided by 'Start Fitness and Sportsweardeals'.

PB distributed the trophies to the clubs who were present. He would also post on any to Clubs not present at the meeting.

PB stated that the sponsorship provided by Start Fitness and Sportsweardeals' was in the region of £500. They were willing to sponsor the League for another year.

## **4. Issues with 2019 competition.**

- A discussion concerning appropriate officials took place. Host clubs invariably had to provide extra officials because clubs did not send sufficient numbers. Clubs are asked to notify the host club in advance if there was a shortfall. MS would look at modifying the Declaration Sheet so clubs also had to declare which officials they are sending.
- PB had observed the High Jump in progress and found that having 2 competitors did not impact on the timetable.

## **5. 2020 League Programme.**

- The inclusion of A and B competitors in the High Jump will continue in the 2020 timetable.
- 2020 Timetable: Javelin would be match 1 & 3, Discus match 2.
- PB stated that the Hammer will not be included in the timetable for the foreseeable future.
- MB suggested increasing events available to U11's by using the Non-Scoring 800 and 1500 slots Tamworth suggested increasing the number non-scoring athletes in the U11 field events and increase track events from 2 to 3 or 4. PB said the U11's were a separate part of the League structure and the timetable was already stretched particularly in Division 1 and 2.
- GR suggested that the timetable could be rejigged so that the hurdles can be adjusted in between the 1500m races. It was felt that it was impractical for the starter to move back and forth between events.
- Nuneaton suggested that the U20's be taken out of the League. It was felt that there weren't that many U20's partaking and were excluded from the throws anyway. U20's to stay in the timetable.
- Wreake & Soar Valley asked that the hosts consider the Officials particularly on hot days and ensure they are provided with sufficient drinks.

## 6. League Rules.

- GR gave an instance where one U20 athlete was turned away from the Long Jump as the Official said they were not eligible. PB stated the rules were quite clear and it is imperative that the club representatives make their team managers and officials aware of the HofE rules to avoid any confusion.
- Stuart Barnes informed the meeting that when applying for the Meeting Licence, certain conditions need to be met. The Track & Field Referee's need to be at least level 2 and at least 4 other Officials should have the appropriate licences. Referees have the responsibility to ensure track and equipment are fit for purpose.
- PB stated that he will again apply for track licences on behalf of the league and will circulate to the hosts the requirements laid out by UKA so that the hosts and officials are aware of their responsibilities and what they are required to do.
- Rita Brownlie asked if a licence would be issued if the club hasn't got Track mark. RC stated that it's OK if the club is showing intent to obtain Track mark.
- A discussion took place about Marksmen. To try to keep the timetable on schedule PB made a recommendation that each meeting should have 2 Marksmen/Assistants to enable the upcoming events to be prepared in advance ready for the starter getting in position to start the event i.e. be one step ahead.

## 7. 2020 League/Division Composition and Letters/numbers

2020 Divisions			
Division 1	Division 2	Division 3	Division 4
Amber Valley	Banbury	BRAT	Daventry
Coventry Godiva	Halesowen	Bicester	Droitwich
Kettering	Leamington AA	Brom & Redditch	Dudley & S'bridge
Radley	Royal Sutton	Corby	Harborough
Rugby & N'hampton	Saffron	Kidder & Stourport	Newcastle
Solihull	Worcester	Tamworth	Nuneaton
Stratford	Wreake & Soar Valley	Witney	Sparkhill
Telford			

Division 1	A String	B String	Under 11
Amber Valley	V	VV	1 to 25
Coventry Godiva	S	SS	52 to 76
Kettering	I	II	1 to 25
Radley	A	AA	77 to 101
Rugby & N'hampton	R	RR	102 to 126
Solihull & S.Heath	M	MM	127 to 151
Stratford	D	DD	151 to 176
Telford	X	XX	177 to 200

Division 2	A String	B String	Under 11
Banbury	J	JJ	26 to 51
Halesowen	H	HH	77 to 101
Leamington	R	RR	102 to 126
Royal Sutton	G	GG	102 to 126
Saffron	Q	QQ	52 to 76
Worcester	Y	YY	26 to 51
Wreake & Soar Valley AC	X	XX	127 to 151

Division 3	A String	B String	Under 11
Bicester	P	PP	1 to 25
BRAT	S	SS	26 to 51
Brom & Redditch	C	CC	151 to 176
Corby	O	OO	52 to 76
Kidder & Stourport	U	UU	77 to 101
Tamworth	F	FF	127 to 151
Witney	W	WW	152 to 176

Division 4	A String	B String	Under 11
Daventry	L	LL	1 to 25
Droitwich	E	EE	26 to 51
Dudley & Stourbridge	B	BB	52 to 76
Harborough	T	TT	77 to 101
Newcastle	Z	ZZ	127 to 151
Nuneaton	N	NN	152 to 176
Sparkhill	K	KK	102 to 126

## 8. 2020 Fixtures, Dates and Venues

- Many thanks to the clubs who have stepped up and agreed to run a match. The information has been circulated to the potential hosts and by virtue of only 2 responses it is assumed the information below is correct.
- NB RSC & Banbury have been swapped from the original circulation to host clubs.
- It's a very tricky puzzle trying to ensure the fixtures can fit together and whilst the spread of dates is not ideal we have to be pragmatic with the availability of dates, hosts and tracks.
- An observation from LAA "it seems only fair that club's help support one of the meetings by providing marshals /runners for results/ refreshments for the cafes/officials, people happy to sit and input the results ... etc etc". After discussing this point and with resources at club's stretched it is assumed that if hosts resources are stretched, if requested, other clubs will contribute to the running of a match.

Division 1			
	MAY	JUL	
	3rd	5th	25th
Coventry Godiva			
Rugby & Northampton			
Telford			

Division 3			
	MAY	JUL	
	3rd	5th	25th
Witney/Bicester at Banbury			
Corby			
Kidderminster & Stourport			

Division 2			
	MAY	JUL	
	3rd	5th	25th
Royal Sutton			
Banbury			
Worcester Venue TBA			

Division 4			
	MAY	JUL	
	3rd	5th	25th
Daventry at Leamington			
Dudley & Stourbridge (support from other clubs required)			
Nuneaton			

If there are any issues please contact PB.

## 9. Results Collators

- MS stated that there were no major issues with the results this year and asked the host clubs to continue sending the results to the Power of 10 and a copy to MS.
- MS would still undertake maintaining the results spreadsheet.

## 10. Accounts

MS presented the accounts to the meeting. There was increase in the bank balance of £496.09 giving a balance of £2464.82. The increase arose because there was nothing spent on trophies and medals this year.

- Affiliations fees will remain the same at £150 for 2020.
- The Track Hire reimbursement will increase to £320.
- **Please pay subs before 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020**

## **11. League trophies, Athlete of the Match and Seasons Best support**

Both Start Fitness and Sportsweardeals'.are keen to support the league again in 2020.

The amount of sponsorship provided by Start Fitness and Sportsweardeals was a total of circa £500.

**PB suggested that it would nice and polite gesture if clubs would show their appreciation by sending a thankyou email to both the sponsors for their support.**

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## **12. A.O.B.**

Stuart Barnes informed the meeting the height of the steeple chase jumps were being lowered for U18.

If any of the club contacts have changed, please email PB with the new details.

The date of the AGM for 2020 is provisionally 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020 at Stratford High School at the Track Pavilion.

PB thanked everyone for attending and the meeting closed at 8:35 p.m.