



NORTH WALES REGIONAL ATHLETICS COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018  
AT EIRIAS PARK LEISURE CENTRE, COLWYN BAY

**Present:** P. Brooks (P.B.), D. Davies (D.D.), R. Frost (B.F.), J. Hatton (J.H.), K. Hatton (K.H.), D. Harris (D.H.), B. Harris (B.H.), S. McCormack (S.M.), C. Backshall (C.B.), M. Blake (M.B.), B. Edwards (B.E.), D. Doyle (D.Do.) and A. Lewis (A.L.).

**Apologies for Absence:** L. Davitt, D.A. Williams, C. Yorke, E. Brewer and J. Edwards.

**1.0 Chair's Address:** K.H. reported that (a) the position of Regional representative to the road/cross country committee remains unfilled. It was agreed to put the vacancy on our Facebook page. (b) P.B. and J.H. will attend the next General Council meeting, after which J.H. and C. Yorke will be our representatives. (c) She reported she had invited James Williams to attend our A.G.M. so that he can explain the planned changes to how R.A.C.'s are funded (e) D.D. has agreed to continue to act as Regional treasurer (f) she has negotiated a lower fee for the use of the room currently used for our meetings. (g) Matthew Willis was the first British athlete to finish in the 5.5km race at the I.S.F. championships in Paris, France (h) Russell Bentley and Martin Green had placed first and second in the Welsh senior marathon championships in London (i) S.M. is now a race adjudicator; D.H. commented that at least 2 adjudicators on the current list of officials are not graded at level 3. P.B. will write to the Welsh Athletics (W.A.) office for clarification.

**2.0 Minutes of the last meeting and Matters Arising:** (previous minutes in italics): Accepted as a true record.

**2.1** *2.4* This item has been changed on the version that appears on the W.A. website; the meeting approved this alteration.

**2.2** *3.4* the agreed budget for track and field should be £1,500 for 2018/9. K.H. circulated a document detailing all the budget proposals for the current financial year, which was accepted.



### **3.0 Treasurer's Report:**

**3.1** D.D. gave a comprehensive report on recent expenditure and income, with details of the balance as at today's date.

**3.2** It was agreed that details of all our accounts would be given at future meetings.

**3.3** Once the budget has been approved and the 2018/9 grant confirmed by W.A., it was agreed to transfer £1,200 into the development account. D.Do spoke on the possibility of future additional development events using this funding.

**3.4** It was agreed that the allocation of monies into bank accounts would continue as before.

**4.0 G.D.P.R.:** K.H. and C. Yorke are considering attending a course on this subject on 16<sup>th</sup> May. K.H. and S.M. reported that in future, all Club members must be told that their data will be stored on W.A. and U.K.A. files. S.M. gave further details of how Abergele Harriers would store this information on their data storage and the W.A. portal.

**4.1.1 Development Officers:** (i) Eva Brewer had sent a written report (a) she has delivered a leading athletics workshop in Wrexham and has a planned an I Run Wales evening in Bangor. (b) details of the Clubs Portal and how to use the system. (c) details of Regional courses in Conwy and Denbighshire (d) details of forthcoming events. (ii) B.E. presented a written report: (a) 4 athletes from Menai t&f had attended a warm weather training camp in Portugal (b) N.W.Wales won 38 medals at the Welsh Sportshall championships in Cwmbran. Reece Thomson won 2<sup>nd</sup> equal in the UK final, having won the Welsh U/15 all rounder title. (c) a planned running festival in association with the Great Run company (d) the Anglesey primary schools cross country event saw 1,800 runners from 38 schools take part. There will now be a final at Plas Newydd in June. (e) the I.I.G.E.C. visited Ynys Month in April to view facilities in relation to the bid for 2025 Games. (f) over 100 participants at the Insport Athletics open day. (g) Menai t&f are to launch a new competition structure (h) half term athletics camps were attended by over 150 young children over Easter (i) Math Thomas represented Wales in the London mini marathon (j) a Park Run is planned for the Newborough Forest (k) the first fixture of the YDL saw some excellent performances, but a disappointing turn-out of our athletes.



**4.2 Cross Country report:** B.F. presented a written report:

**4.2.1** He had circulated the minutes of the N.W.C.C.L. A.G.M. David Williams has stepped down as secretary, Bernie Jones has taken over the post. Dates and venues for the 2018/9 senior league season are: 6/10 Shrewsbury, 20/10 Colwyn Bay, 10/11 Wrexham, 12/1 Deeside and 2/2 Oswestry; dates and venues for the junior league are: 20/10 Colwyn Bay, 10/11 Wrexham, 1/12 Bangor and 5/1 Corwen – the latter fixture will be held within the Regional championships. Meirionnydd had won the division 2 title, not Denbigh as printed.

**5.0 Secretary's Report:** P.B. reported that:

**5.0.1** (a) Prestatyn R.C. have a new secretary, Jo Edwards, whose e-mail is [joannaedwards55@sky.com](mailto:joannaedwards55@sky.com). (b) Maldwyn Harriers are holding an open t&f meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> May, details are on our Facebook page. (c) Ricky Challinor and Amie Bagnall had won the Borders League overall titles. (d) The WMAA championships are to be held in Nuneaton on 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

**5.2 Endurance Officials Secretary:** There are now 8 race adjudicators in the Region, according to the latest list from W.A.

**5.2 Track and field Officials Secretary:** Nothing further.

**5.3 Road running:** P.B. reported that the development team for the Stone 10km race, was now confirmed.

**5.4 Mountain/Trail:** A.L. presented a written report: (a) the trial race for the W.M.R.A. international youth cup is at Aberystwyth on 5/5, teams of 4 men and women will be selected for Wales to compete in Italy on 9/6 (b) selection is underway for the Home Countries international in Cumbria on 2/6 (c) the Welsh Inter Region trail championships in Builth Wells clashes with several major events; this will lead to problems selecting teams for the Builth Wells event. (d) It was agreed that the Regional championships will again be held within the Fairy Freckled Cow race in Denbigh. (e) Ras y Moelwyn takes place on 5/5 in Blaenau Ffestiniog.

**5.5 Track and Field:** C.B. asked if the Y.D.L. athletes could wear the N. Wales Regional vest in the competition this year, and this was agreed.

**6.0: Date and Venue of the next meeting:** The next meeting will be the A.G.M. and will be held at Eirias Park Leisure Centre on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June, commencing at 19.00