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WELSH ATHLETICS MOUNTAIN, TRAIL & ULTRA RUNNING COMMITTEE MEETING
7:45pm THURSDAY 4th JULY 2024 VIA TEAMS

- 1. MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dic Evans (DE) Colin Froley (CF) Arwel Lewis (AL) Steve Livett (SL) Tom Meredith (TM) Steve Mitchell (SM – WA Representative) Matthew Roberts (MR) Owain Schiavonne (OS)
- 2. APOLOGIES:** Mike Blake. Neal Hockley. Sharon Jones & Peter Ryder.
- 3. ACTIONS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING/KEY POINTS: (TM)** The South development day (RDP) will have to be cancelled due to a lack of numbers though, some of the athletes did attend the North development day organised by (NH) The East will be using the Llanthony Show race as their junior championships. Regarding the Senior Regional Championships (TM) East Coity Race on 15th June. North Cilcain Race on Bank Holiday Monday 26th August.
- 4. U18 INTERNATIONAL RUNNING CUP REVIEW:** (SL) Considering the travel issues experienced which certainly affected a couple of the athletes, there were some promising performances from our young athletes. There were long delays at Madrid Airport waiting for transport to the event accommodation while they waited for another national team to arrive. The accommodation was not within walking distance of the event venue and organised transport was required for the 80-minute journey. Though everyone was looked after very well, the travel issues were not ideal for preparing for international competition. WA to draft a letter to the WMRA with our concerns.
- 5. B&I JUNIOR TRIAL RACE UPDATES:** (AL) The event courses are prepared and shorter than last year due to the perceived race distances/height at the B&I event venue in Ireland (Yet to receive official confirmation of the U17 course)
- 6. RAS Y WYDDFA/SNOWDON RACE UPDATE:** (SM) Unfortunately, Katrina Entwistle has to withdraw from the event due to injury incurred at the recent Sugal Loaf evening race and is to be replaced by the reserve athlete: Joanne Henderson. Race kit will be sent to (AL) for distribution.
- 7. 2025 WALES EVENT HOSTS:** (SM) has contacted Aberystwyth University regarding accommodation for the event planned for Saturday 11th September 2025 and received a positive response. (DE) has received positive feedback from two coach companies regarding teams travel to Devils Bridge (The scenic train would be too expensive) FRA British Relays (AL) The relays event coordinator is in dialogue with Meirionnydd Running Club and advising them of the requirement for staging the relays.
- 8. 2025 CALENDAR:** (AL) has sent a list of fixtures concerning the British Fell Running Championships, British Mountain and Trail race dates for the World Mountain & Trail Championships (25th-28th September 2025. Canfranc. Spain) With both of the Fell running British Championships in May, (3rd and 24th) the British Inter-Counties is now proposed for 14th June. (SM) The London Marathon is on 27th April next year and with the (Long) British championships event on 3rd May, would that clash affect the Devils Kite trial races for the International U18 Mountain Running Cup (14th-15th June 2025. Bratislava. Slovakia) which are usually organised that weekend. (MR) reasoned that with the event being a tough one in Scotland, and should not be a factor. (SL) queried (AL) for the date of the Trail de Guerledan 2025. (AL) 7th and 8th June which is later than usual.
- 9. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 19th September 2024 at 7:45pm.**