

## MINUTES OF HORSHAM JOGGERS AGM Virtual via Zoom 30/9/2020

1. Apologies	Apologies have been received from Geoff Parker and Mick Duplock
2. Acceptance of last Minutes	Minutes were agreed and unanimously approved by everyone present
3. Matters Arising	There were no matters arising from the previous AGM
4. Chairman's Report	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the Zoom AGM meeting. He then gave a Powerpoint Presentation covering a review of the last 18 months including details of the new post lockdown club reorganisation that is now in place. He also included a tribute to our previous Chairman Tony Johnson who sadly died in July 2019. Details of the report are attached.
5. Treasurer's Report	<p>Iain said that in everything he has done as Treasurer he has tried his best to follow the examples set by the Treasurers who have come before him. This report is no exception. The financial statements have been signed off by Gary Tomlinson. Thanks very much to him for his work to review these accounts and for his helpful advice. Bear in mind this report is about 2019. It was quite difficult for me to remember not to mention 2020. The following points are best read in conjunction with the financial statements (see website for a copy of these).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- At the end of 2019 the club was in a healthy financial position with overall assets of £21909.72. This was an increase of approximately £1450 over the year.</li> <li>- Most of that increase was held in our increased stock of club merchandise at year end. That doesn't mean you were not buying any kit. In fact the income from kit was up £1300 over the year.</li> <li>- Membership income was up once again. This year by about £560. Bear in mind that club and individual affiliation fees also went up, though only by £250.</li> <li>- Race events once again increased their contribution to income, though the costs of running our major events went up by even more.</li> <li>- The 5k to 10k course generated almost £1000 after costs so proved a financial success. The change from 0 to 5k has been a success in every way.</li> <li>- The cost of track hire rose slightly, while income from the track fell, also slightly.</li> <li>- Admin fees also increased, partly due to the increased income we take through PayPal.</li> <li>- Fish, chips and cake were provided after the Horsham Round.</li> </ul> <p>After all this we managed to make a donation of £1200 to two deserving charities. These were MND Association and the HOPE Charity project. There were a lot of things going on at Horsham Joggers in 2019. Most of them impacted on the finances. The major events are the Horsham 10K, the Gunpowder Trot and the Horsham Round. Fortunately for me the event organisers see accurate detailed accounts of those events as part of their remit. Similarly those running other HJ athletic activities and social events and club merchandise and club membership have appreciated my need for good records and receipts which I don't need a magnifying glass to see. Thanks very much to all of them.</p> <p>Finally thanks to Fiona Clifton for her help and extreme patience over what turned out to be an extended handover to me.</p>

6. Election of Officers and Committee Members	<p>Phil Liberman, Sue Simmons, Fiona Clifton, Miranda Huisman, Martyn Newton, Jenny Boyd and Paul Aylett have decided to stand down from the committee. They were thanked for the work they have done on the committee and presented with gifts as a thank you. Seven new members have put their names forward to come onto the committee:- Diane Berry, Andy Robins, Sok Wah Lee, Roger Johnson, Kate Short, Baz Panchal and Clive Walker. Together with the remaining committee members (Steve Entecott, Margaret Wadman, Mark Aylmore and Iain Campbell) they were proposed en masse by Clare Miller and seconded by Tanya Keeling and this was carried unanimously.</p> <p>Julie Galagher has offered to be our Covid 19 Co-ordinator but will not be required to sit on the Committee.</p>
7. Change to Club Rules	<p>Steve Enticott said that prior to lockdown he had started to revise the Club Rules and bring them up to date with current circumstances e.g. name of the HJ headquarters, removal of 'Honorary' from the committee members titles and updating other wording. He also mentioned that the committee had agreed to add an additional rule for the London Marathon ballot entries - 'Any successful recipient of a place via the Club LM Ballot cannot reapply for a place within 3 years'. These changes were proposed by Mal Thornton and seconded by James Munden and carried unanimously by all those present at the Zoom meeting.</p>
8. Survey Update	<p>Members were asked 34 questions about the club, their motives for running and volunteering opportunities for the club and the results were reviewed last January 2020. Margaret said that there was a 56% response which is considered very good. Generally our membership is aged between 40 and 60, who run once or twice a week with the club and they have been a member between 3 and 5 years. Details of the results can be found on the HJ website or members can contact Margaret by email for more information. The new committee will be responsible for following up actions raised by the survey.</p>
9. Run and Talk	<p>Mark went through a screenshow about the #Run and Talk programme. We now have 4 Mental Health Champions - Mark Aylmore, Geri Smith, Roger Johnson and Ali Shears. Details about the programme can be viewed on the website.</p>

10.Horsham 10k Update	<p>The 2019 Horsham 10K took place on 2 June 2019.</p> <p>Total entries 489. Total finishers 415. Junior race Total entries 49. Total finishers 42. Total income £6,017. Total expenditure £3,470. Race profit £2,547.</p> <p>The income included £500 from race sponsors DMH Stallard (solicitors).</p> <p>It was the first time we have used Sports Systems to deal with both entries and chip timing. It seemed to work very well and feedback from our organising team regarding Sports Systems was very positive. Another change for 2019 was the use of a common start/finish line which led to some realignment of the course on the rugby field.</p> <p>As usual, the event was only made possible by the enthusiastic involvement of HJ club volunteers. Special thanks go to the race organising team of Margaret Wadman, Lin Whiting, Christine Verlade, Rob Jochimsen, Hills Parker, Wendy Mason, Simon Perkins and Elisabeth Scott. Further thanks are due to around 100 Horsham Joggers whose efforts both during the build up, and on the day, made the race another success for the club.</p> <p>The 2020 Horsham 10K was due to take place on 17 May 2020</p> <p>Organisation of the 2020 race was well underway before Coronavirus loomed on the horizon. However, as it became increasingly obvious that such events were unlikely to go ahead, our organising team took the decision to suspend entries and then, shortly after, to cancel the event. As a gesture of good will, we decided to give a full refund to the 99 people who had already entered to race. This meant that the club had a loss of £89 in entry handling fees. We also lost £30 paid for a UK Athletics race licence. Therefore our total loss was £119.</p> <p>The only other expenditure at the time of cancelation was £698 for finisher medals and £332 for trophies. However, the medals and trophies can be used for next year's race so do not represent a loss to the club.</p>
10.Horsham 10k Update contd	<p>The 2021 Horsham 10K is planned for 16 May 2021</p> <p>Provisional arrangements are in place for next year. The rugby club venue has been booked and the Sussex Grand Prix Committee has been informed. However, a review will be undertaken at the beginning of 2021 to decide whether it is feasible to go ahead with 16 May or whether a later date will be necessary.</p> <p>Phil thanked Geoff for all his hard work organising the 10k.</p>

11. Sussex Grand Prix Update	<p>2019 SGP</p> <p>Continuing the trend of recent years, the SGP wasn't much of a focus for Horsham Joggers in 2019, with even lower participation in events than in 2018.</p> <p>Team Results:</p> <p>Two separate rankings are published, for 'open' and 'top 5'. We finished 14th in both though! Open rankings: 14 / 21; Overall top 5: 14 / 21</p> <p>Of the SGP races, we did score strongly in the Horsham 10k though, due to higher participation than at most other SGP events!</p> <p>In the individual rankings, congratulations to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Helen Mallows (8 races, 50th overall in ladies rankings)</li> <li>• Brian Frost (7 races, 48th overall) and Paul Yokom (6 races, 65th overall).</li> </ul> <p>We didn't significantly trouble the individual leaderboards, but congratulations to Mick Duplock who was 2nd overall in the V70s, behind John Taylor of Hailsham Harriers.</p> <p>2020 SGP season (so far):</p> <p>Due to limited participation in previous years, I'd been hoping to drum up a bit more interest in the SGP for 2020, and also take part in at least a few events myself.</p> <p>Unfortunately, there isn't much to report due to the effects of Coronavirus! Most (all?) races have been either cancelled or postponed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The delayed Rye 10 did take place on 23rd August, under a time trial format, and a few club members made the journey over to take part. However as far as I'm aware, no SGP scores have been calculated from this event, and given that most other events have been cancelled, I doubt they will be.</li> <li>• Bewl 15 took place as a virtual event, with a qualifying period of a few weeks, but I doubt this can be considered an SGP race.</li> </ul> <p>In summary, the SGP competition for 2020 is effectively null and void. It's possible that cancellations / postponements will have an effect on the 2021 calendar as well, although it's too early to know at present. The first SGP event of this year was scheduled to be Hastings Half in March. Hopefully this and later events will be able to take place in some format?</p>
12. West Sussex Fun Run League	<p>Jenny said that 2019 was a very busy and enjoyable year for Horsham Joggers participating in the fun run league. There were 17 races in total, with two HJ members, myself and Dave Dawson, completing all 17 races. For this achievement we received a completers T-shirt, with only 18 of these been awarded in total to members of the league.</p> <p>For our club members we have a completers award - this goes to a HJ who has completed 10 or more races over the course of the fun run year. We had 12 ladies and 5 gents who received this award.</p> <p>As a club we finished mid way in the league table at the end of the year. There were many highlights during the year, some of which I will share with you shortly.</p> <p>All in all there is a great feeling of friendship and encouragement in the WSFRL, and we get to see our county in all its glory from the glorious Downs to the woods + trials + rivers of Sussex.</p> <p>During this year 2020 we have only participated in 1 race (the Hangover 5) - where we fielded 41 runners.</p> <p>Plus six members of HJ assisted Goring Road Runners as marshalls and registration desk officials to help them host their race as they are a very small club.</p> <p>Jenny finished her presentation with pictures of members at each of these races.</p>
13. Honorary Members	<p>Sue Simmons presented Andy Mallpress with his 'Honorary' certificate. Andy has been one of our original members joining in 1990. He has led groups on the Thursday night pub runs and completed over 100 marathons.</p>
14. Awards	<p>The nominations for Jogger of the Year are:- Caroline Bransden, Christian Liberman, Miranda Morley, Alan Pettitt, Gavin Philps, Gareth Sear, Geri Smith, Steve Wilson. The winner for the award is Gavin Philps.</p>

Members on the shortlist for the Volunteer of the Year award are:- Mark Aylmore, Pete Dudman, Mike de Frateschi, Rob Jochimson, Clare Miller, Geoff Parker, Mike Saunders, and Clive Walker. The winner of the award is Mark Aylmore. His trophy was presented to him by Steve Entecott.

15. AOB

Paul Aylett thanked the committee for keeping the Club afloat during the pandemic. No other business matters were raised.

The meeting closed at 9.12 p.m.