



Seaford Striders Running Club  
Annual General Meeting

**WEDNESDAY, 17<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2021**

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Seaford Striders Running Club held on Wednesday 17th February 2021 at 8pm virtually on zoom.

1. Welcome & Members Present

RP welcomed everyone present, saying he was delighted with the turnout – it means the world to him and the Committee. Thank you to Darren Evans for allowing Striders to use his zoom facility.

Members present - Rob Plant, Victoria Maleski, Chris le Beau, Graham Jones, Nick Farley, Gareth Hutchinson, Lauren Morgan, Tom Roper, Trevor Jones, Anneka Redley-Cook, Becky Souissi, Tony Humphreys, Hilary Humphreys, Wendy Reed, Glynis Young, Josh Nisbett, Darren Evans, Leanne Pearce, Ollie Sprague, Steve Sprague, Simon Croucher, Tracy Pragnell, Gavin Wright, Toni Wright, Sue Curtis, Erica Martin, Justin Wright, Louisa Scola, Joel Eaton.

2. Apologies for absence

Sharon Plank, Maria Holmes, Jacob Miles, Alice Lennie, Jackie Baxter, Damian Partridge, Fawzia Whittuck, Gill Morgan, Julie Taylor, Terry Ward, Kristy Sherry, Richard Honeyman, Sandra Standen, Andy Gorrie, Simon Nixon.

3. Vote to adopt 2020 AGM minutes

The 2020 AGM minutes had been circulated previously. Tom Roper had requested that his query about the updating of Twitter be recorded in the previous minutes. A volunteer to take this on was requested and Anneka Redley-Cook kindly agreed to include this in her remit, she will update the password. The vote to adopt the minutes was proposed by Lauren Morgan and seconded by Nick Farley.

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the 2020 AGM minutes.

5. Chairman's Report

RP thanked all those that had been involved in organising all the virtual events, including Nick Farley, Anneka Redley-Cook and others. It had been a difficult 12 months but the events had meant so much to everyone in the Club. We have a wonderful Club with amazing members. RP felt humbled and thanked everyone.

Thanks also to Chris le Beau and Victoria Maleski for stepping back into their previous roles when those elected last year were unable to proceed.

#### 6. Treasurer's Report

CLB said that a lot of things had ground to a halt during the year. Whilst membership income was broadly similar in the first quarter it didn't have the boost experienced from the previous year's C25K. The Club didn't lose money but equally didn't make money. The year started with a balance of circa £12k and finished with circa £8.3k. We have carried forward the credits for Track Night and these will be used when lockdown finishes.

We did raise some funds for charities with the virtual Mince Pie 10 and these have now been passed on.

#### 7. Election of Chairman and Committee

The following posts were nominated, their election was agreed by all present as proposed by Hilary Humphreys and seconded by Leanne Pearce:

<b>Honorary Club Captain</b>	-	<b>Martin Bulger</b>
<b>Chairman</b>	-	<b>Rob Plant</b>
<b>Vice-Chairman</b>	-	<b>Victoria Maleski</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	-	<b>Lorraine Quigley</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	-	<b>Victoria Maleski</b>
<b>Men's' Captain/Vice</b>	-	<b>Nick Farley / Josh Rudd jointly with Jeff Young</b>
<b>Women's' Captain/Vice</b>	-	<b>Becky Souissi / Anneka Redley-Cook</b>
<b>Mince Pie Director/Deputy</b>	-	<b>Nick Farley / Graham Jones</b>
<b>Junior Coach/Leader</b>	-	<b>Wendy Reed</b>
<b>Social Secretary</b>	-	<b>Lauren Morgan / Steph Woodward</b>
<b>Newsletter Editor</b>	-	<b>Lauren Morgan</b>
<b>Press Officer</b>	-	<b><i>tbc</i></b>
<b>Membership Secretary</b>	-	<b>Chloé Wilmot</b>
<b>Website Organiser</b>	-	<b>Chloé Wilmot</b>
<b>Social Media Rep</b>	-	<b>Anneka Redley-Cook</b>
<b>Cross Country Rep</b>	-	<b>Josh Nisbett</b>
<b>Sussex Grand Prix Rep</b>	-	<b><i>tbc</i></b>
<b>Club Grand Prix Rep</b>	-	<b>Anneka Redley-Cook</b>
<b>Club Welfare Officer</b>	-	<b>Rob Plant</b>
<b>Junior Welfare Officer</b>	-	<b><i>tbc</i></b>

Many thanks to all previous Committee members who had stood down.

#### 8. Juniors Report

RP thanked Wendy for organising some brilliant virtual events for the Juniors. The most recent was fund-raising for local charity Surviving the Streets which totalled £1,310. It was agreed that the Club would round this up to £1,500. Wendy thanked everyone for their generous donations.

#### 9. Club Grand Prix

Anneka Redley-Cook confirmed that Ollie Sprague and Louisa Scola were our winners for the last year. It was not possible to confirm the events for the next year until the timing for the

end of lockdown is known. The suggested virtual relay was postponed as the Club didn't want to be seen to be encouraging people to drive outside their immediate area to run, but it will be reinstated.

#### 10. Membership Fees

RP suggested that fees for the new membership year should be reduced to £10 (+ EA fee) for adults and , £5 (+ EA fee) for juniors and concessions. This is to encourage renewals and new members. This was agreed by all present. Tony Humphreys expressed concern about who would make the changes on MemberMojo as there did not appear to have been an effective handover for these tasks. RP confirmed he would immediately discuss this with the Membership Secretary and would update Tony as soon as possible, if additional assistance was required for the Membership Secretary this would be promptly sought so Tony could be relieved of any ongoing responsibilities. In view of the urgency Tony kindly agreed to update MemberMojo himself within 24 hours to reflect the newly approved membership fees.

RP thanked Tony Humphreys for his continuing support and understanding.

Chris le Beau confirmed that about 30 members had renewed (or joined) for the new year. Arrangements would be put in place for reimbursements to be made. It was confirmed that the EA fee will remain at £15 for the new membership year.

#### 11. Club London Marathon Place

The Club rules in place allow for a ballot to take place for the Club entry in the London Marathon. It was agreed that the Committee would review the current rules to consider whether any changes should be made.

#### 12. Any Other Business

Tony Humphreys requested that work should be undertaken to upgrade the Club website. It needed someone from the Club to lead this, either undertaking the work themselves or being the point of contact for an external company. This will need to include management of the hosting arrangements and Club emails. Responsibility for the website can be separate from the role of Membership Secretary. RP will progress this urgently. Lauren Morgan offered to help the Membership Secretary if this was required.

Chris le Beau asked whether Mince Pie 10 will be progressed this year. Nick Farley confirmed he was about to start the provisional bookings of the required facilities.

Justin Wright offered his thanks on behalf of WOLO for all the support from the Club and its members. He confirmed it has made a huge difference to lots of local families. WOLO has charity places available at a number of future races up to Ultra distance, please contact WOLO for further information.

Tony Humphreys offered his thanks on behalf of Martello Rotary. Their virtual races, supported by many Club members, had provided much needed funds for charities such as RNLI, WOLO and other local charities.

#### 13. Date of Next AGM – **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2022**