**North Midland Cross Country League**

**Minutes of the 70th AGM**

**10th October 2015**

**Present**  Joyce Stevens (Sutton Harriers) President, Phil Watts (Huncote Harriers),

John Heywood (Huncote Harriers), P White (HLVP), Alan Loasby (HLVP), Gareth Bagguley (Newark), Harold Billings (Sutton Harriers),

Mick Smedley (Derby AC), Marcia Smedley (Derby AC),

Angela Roe (Notts AC), Steve Roe (Notts AC), Rod Farr (Burton AC),

Charles McConnell (Corby AC), Alan Smith (Mansfield Harriers),

Mick Robinson (Notts AC) Secretary.

1. **Apologies** Rob Rainsford (Heanor RC)

Rob Fox (Long Eaton)

Sheila O’Keefe (Mansfield)

1. **Minutes of the 69th AGM**

Accepted, with one amendment – Alan Loasby had been present but was not listed on the attendance list.

1. **Matters Arising**

Steve Roe on behalf of Sheila O’Keefe responded to 11A in which Christine Cregg had requested additional Lady Veteran awards. Sheila had analysed last season’s results which showed just 1 x V55, 2 x V60 and 1 x V65 had completed all four races and concluded that no extra awards were justified. This view was supported unanimously.

1. **New Member Clubs**

Caistor Running Club, Desford Striders, Ilkeston Running Club, Saffron AC

1. **Hon Secretary’s Report**

Rod Farr queried the final paragraph which stated that the U15 Boys at the 2nd round at Kettering had been declared “null and void” but that the result remained on the website. Steve Roe explained that as referee he took the decision to declare the result null and void after the last event which he waited for to see how matters resolved themselves. In the event his intervention was necessary to ensure that the best runners received their rightful awards. MR pointed out that we have a proposal today to assist in the future should a similar problem occur.

1. **Hon Treasurers Report**

Alan Smith produced a balance sheet (attached) showing a small surplus on last year’s income/expenditure and a healthy overall balance in excess of £3,000 in the bank, although the League have yet to pay Kettering Town Harriers for hosting last season’s fixture.

**P.T.O.**

1. **Election of Honorary Officers for 2015 / 16**

Outgoing President Joyce Stevens thanked the meeting for her year in office and handed over to Phil Watts.

* 1. President Phil Watts (Huncote Harriers)
  2. President Elect Mick Smedley (Derby AC)
  3. Secretary M. Robinson
  4. Treasurer Alan Smith
  5. Auditor Phil Watts
  6. Race Referee Steve Roe
  7. Presentation / Trophies Officer John Heywood

1. **To confirm Fixtures 2015 / 16 –** As Agenda but (b) check Corby is shown on the website.
   1. Oct 10th Derby (Markeaton Park)
   2. Nov 14th Corby
   3. Dec 05th Heanor (Shipley Park)
   4. Jan 16th Nottingham (Wollaton Park)
2. **To agree dates and appoint venues for 2016 / 17 –** 
   1. Oct 15th Derby
   2. Nov 12th Kettering
   3. Dec 03th Heanor
   4. Jan 14th Nottingham
3. **To confirm League fees for 2015 / 16 –**

Currently:-

Senior Men £19 per team

Senior Ladies £13 per team

Vet Men & Ladies £13 per team

All others £10 per team

1. **Proposals –** Proposal Accepted

**Addition to League Rules under Rule 8**

Add “8c – In the event of a race being declared null and void by the League Referee then the next best three races will count and be totalled to decide the overall champion for the season.

1. **A.O.B.**
2. Steve Roe said that he had pulled 5 out of the U11 race today (10.10.15 at Derby) who weren’t yet 9 years old. He also suggested splitting the U11 girls and boys into separate races which was the general view of all there. MR suggested doing a revised timetable for next season.

**P.T.O**

1. Phil Watts thought that the website needs updating, noting that several past winners were missing.

He also notes that the Derby Runner Sunday League clashed with 2 of our fixtures plus the County and the Midland Champs.

1. John Heywood requested that Kettering should negotiate cheaper car parking at Wickstead Park, some people having to pay £6 last year.