



## Northern Masters Athletic Club

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<b>Chairman:</b> Phil Lee	<b>President:</b> Caroline Marler	<b>Secretary:</b> Alina Stepanchuk	<b>Treasurer:</b> Dave Flitcroft
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Minutes of the Video Call Committee Meeting, Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2020 at 9:30 am

Members present:- Dave Flitcroft **DF**, Kevin Dillon **KD**, Jason Newell **JN**, Caroline Marler **CM**, Alex Rowe **AR**, Les Vaughan-Hodkinson **L-VH**, Saul Gallagher **SG**, Alina Stepanchuk **AS**, Phil Lee **PL**

1. Apologies Clive Rigby
2. The new President Caroline Marler and new secretary Alina Stepanchuk were welcomed to the committee.
3. Minutes of the last meeting were read and there were no alterations. **DF** proposed that we accept them as a true record and **AR** seconded that. The minutes were passed.
4. Matters arising: Carol Holt is the Inter Area T&F women's captain and was suggested to look for someone to be the men's team captain.
5. The treasurers report was presented by **DF**. NMAC had an income so far in 2020 of **£8,601** which gave us a total balance of **£13,068.69**. We have a membership of 500 of which 86 are 1<sup>st</sup> claim and 389 are 2<sup>nd</sup> claim members. 200 have not renewed so far.  
As subs to BMAF have been reduced by £2.50 and EA have deferred their £1 rise, **DF** proposed that we reduce First claim subs to £29.50 and Second claim subs to £15.50 for 2021 in order that all members can benefit from the reduction. A proposal to this effect to be put to the AGM. **DF** also suggested that **Arthur Walsham** and **Ken Mayo** be granted Honorary membership at the AGM. This was agreed by the meeting.
6. Future events  
As we are unlikely to be able to put on the **T&F championships** in June it was agreed that we investigate the possibility of combining the event with **Yorkshire Vets**, which is due to be held at Spenborough on September 20<sup>th</sup>. **JN** is organising the Yorkshire event.  
The **5000m** has been granted a permit so we will keep the date of **July 1<sup>st</sup>** at **East Cheshire** in case there is an opportunity to put the event on.  
The **10K Road** is at Spenborough on **13<sup>th</sup> September**. It was suggested that we offer the event to BMAF for their Championships. NMAC have an average of 54 entries. The race limit is 200. Could run it as 2 races.  
The **10,000m** event on **October 4<sup>th</sup>** to include the AGM will need to be switched to East Cheshire as **JN** will be competing in London Marathon that day. The suggestion of including a field competition at the same time will have to be postponed for another year. Depending on the numbers involved we may need to hold 2 races.

For the **5K Road Championships** on **Nov 29** it was suggested that we look to hold it at the University of Leeds circuit and again offer it to BMAF for their Championships.

7. A paper on the future of the Cross Country Championships was discussed. It was agreed that the best time to hold the event was on the day that the Schools XC was run as this meant that no league meetings were on and that it would be easier to get officials. This would be the first Saturday in February. It was decided to hold the event at Spenborough for the next 5 years, as first-aid cover was supplied. **AR** and **PL** agreed to help with the organisation of the event.

However should we host the EAMA Inter Area CC Challenge then we would have to move to Leverhulme Park, as it can deal with the larger field that would be anticipated, or an alternative venue.

8. The newsletter for Easter has not arrived to Postal Clients. There was a problem in getting it printed as access to the printers was delayed. As there are very few results to report on, suggestion was the next newsletter is done as a PDF file and emailed to everyone. Could also feature athletes (and committee members) profiles. **JN** reported that he is setting up a visual T&F event on social media for members on Facebook. **DF** to send contact details of Secretary and President to **LV-H** to be included on committee page of newsletter.
9. A paper regarding a Data Protection section to be included in the constitution was presented. **JN** was going to review it and suggest any amendments and improvements as required.
10. A report on the EAMA AGM was circulated and also a detailed report from **AR** regarding the BMAF Constitution update. It will be available to view from May 5<sup>th</sup> and area clubs have until May 17<sup>th</sup> to discuss the document and send in their thoughts. **PL** suggested that those who are interested should hold a video conference to discuss their views and send our responses to BMAF. **KD, AR, AS** and **PL** all expressed an interest in discussing the document.
11. It was agreed that the next committee meeting would be on **June 6<sup>th</sup>** as this could be just after we may have received information from the Govt and UKA regarding the lockdown.  
The AGM will be on **October 4<sup>th</sup>** at East Cheshire.
12. Any Other Business.  
**SG** suggested that the website needs updating. **DF** reported that **Richard Hayes** who does the website has had personal and medical problems but will still work on it if given material.  
**JN** reported that Steve Goodwill from Burnley had some interesting thoughts regarding athletics. It was agreed that we should get in contact with him and discuss his ideas.

Meeting closed at 11:00.