

Ivanhoe Robins AGM – 5th January 2021 – 7pm

Present

Sharon Smith (SS) Vice Chair; Gary Smith (GS); Colin Morrison (CM) Chairman; Jackie Orme-Herbert (JO-H) Secretary; Kevin Godfrey (KG), Dawn Gregory (DG), Tony Greenaway (TG), Rob Tipper (RT) Treasurer; Ian Potter (IP); Sharon Whyman (SW) Tuck shop; Karen Palumbo (KP); Nick Wilkins (NW); Chris Haines (CH) Kit Co-ordinator; Susan Smith (SSm); Andrew Palumbo (AP)

Chairman's report – CM

Reflecting on 2019 and 2020 as AGM delayed by COVID-19. 2019 was a year to be proud of. Athlete numbers high and records broken by competing athletes. 2020 was a different story, sadly most of the year missed due to COVID-19. Ivanhoe Challenge eventually cancelled but thank you to everyone for trying to make the challenge work.

Thanks to all coaches for adapting coaching and a mention to GS and SS for helping getting things back up and running after the first lockdown. Thanks to RT for his work with the fees during lockdown. We have done our best in challenging circumstances and now time to move on. Saying goodbye and huge thank you to Ruth Shaw who has been with the club for many years and Julia Blewitt-Jenkins, both of whom have been key members of the coaching team and committee. Thank you to Jackie Orme-Herbert for her work as secretary and thank you to Kathryn Preece for being a parent rep and a key part of the awards evening team. Welcome to Dawn, Karen, Andrew and Susan who have joined us for the first time.

Treasurers report – RT

RT started by thanking Colin for his contribution as Chairman over the last few years.

Treasurers report attached but key points below:

Balance now at £27,852.74 – a profit of £5,969.39

This is largely due to sponsorship from Mander Cruickshank and grant from Samworth Brothers.

Subs are lower than usual due to Covid 19 and cancelled sessions.

Ivanhoe Challenge entry fees were collected, but due to cancellation we still have that money in the bank. As these weren't refunded to competitors at the time, the Ivanhoe Challenge committee will look at the best way of sorting this when we are able to run the next challenge.

Biggest outgoing is for coach training but courses have been delayed due to Covid 19.

CM – Word of caution. Whilst finances are looking healthy and we have made a profit, we need to take into consideration the Ivanhoe Challenge money and also sponsorship which finishes this year, so without these, the profit would be much less.

RT – We are in a good position and need to look to utilise some of the balance for new equipment, coaches kit whilst maintaining healthy balance.

England Athletics athlete affiliation at £15 per athlete was not paid. RT suggested that we only register athletes that would like to compete. Questions regarding insurance cover for athletes if not registered and taking money away from England Athletics by not registering and paying for athletes. Agreed to look into it.

Election of Officers – see table

New committee members elected: **Action**; Ask 10am session athletes for a female athlete rep to join the committee alongside Sam H (male athlete rep)

| Position | Nominated | Proposed by | Seconded by |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Chairman | Gary S | Colin M | Rob T |
| Vice Chair | Nick W | Sharon S | Tony G |
| Secretary | Sharon S | Dawn G | Rob T |
| Treasurer | Rob T | Gary S | Sharon W |
| Members Secretary | Dawn G | Sharon S | Sharon W |
| Male Child Protection Officer | Nick R | Gary S | Tony G |
| Female Child Protection Officer | Karen P | Gary S | Dawn G |
| Coaching Co-ordinator | Sharon S | Rob T | Colin M |
| Junior Co-ordinator | Dawn G | Sharon S | Nick W |
| Newsletter/Website | Tony G | Kevin G | Nick W |
| Kit Co-ordinator | Chris H | Tony G | Sharon W |
| Tuck Shop | Sharon W | Gary S | Tony G |
| Parent Reps | Sharon W Colin M | Gary S Sharon S | Sharon S Tony G |
| Athlete Rep Male Female | Sam H | Tony G | Sharon S |

Coaching discussion – GS

What to do during lockdown as we are unable to coach face to face and unlikely to do so for at least 6 weeks. NW suggested doing zoom sessions to keep in touch with the athletes.

A discussion around fitness challenges - would be a good idea and fun. **Action** coaches to organise meeting to discuss. NW volunteered to come up with some ideas too.

Club Sponsorship

CM advised that the Mander Cruickshank sponsorship ends in 1 years time. No formal contact since the 2019 awards evening. **Action – GS**, as new chairman, to send letter from club to thank them and let them know how we will use their contributions.

GS stated that any club can apply to Samworth Brothers Sports Opportunity Fund for grants, so we will continue to do so in the future.

NW suggested looking at Amazon Smile. **Action - NW** to look into registering our club.

Website

TG is happy to continue updating the website and Facebook. He has recently updated the Ivanhoe Challenge website.

Awards Evening

Look at planning later in the year. CM to step down from organising and many thanks to him for putting it all together for the last few years.

AOB

Ivanhoe Challenge – Cancelled for 2021

NW – still hoping for a club weekend away after original one had to be cancelled in 2020.

SW – 40 minute sessions during the colder months has been successful. To revert back to 1 hour when the weather improves.

GS - would like cross country session to continue once a month and awards to show improvement to athletes.

NW – asked if subscription charges were staying the same. Agreed by all.

RT – Subscriptions to be suspended until after lockdown. Agreed by all.

RT – New Kit - Parents looking to order - CH to come down once a month so kit can be ordered once the restrictions have eased.

GS – Look at getting a secure place for documentation with access for essential committee members.

Meeting closed at 8.30pm with GS thanking everyone for attending.