

Wolverhampton & Bilston Athletics Club (est.1967)

Minutes of 54th Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 17th November 22, 8pm at Fordhouses Cricket Club

Present: Dave Norman (Chair), Ruth Burton, Nicola Wiggin (Minutes), Mary Harding, Fiona Hancock, Hazel Smallman, Amelia Hancock, Lewis Barlow, Nikki Willoughby, Terry Bullock, Steve Ulfig, Louise Jones, Ross Jones, Simon Calrow, Abigail Powell, Colin Thompson, Kevin Billett, Lloyd Hudson-Smith, Claire Bradley, Dave Perkins, Louise Higgins, Trudi Lisseman, Ivan Fletcher, Paul Horton, Debra Horton, Nina White, Jackie Halford, Noel McKakly, Glen Lock, Peter Stark, Darren Edwards, Charlotte Bradley (32 total)

- **1. Apologies:** Jane Johnson, Claudio Albanese, Derrick Harding, Duncan Davies
- 2. Confirm minutes of previous AGM held 18.11.21

Minutes from the meeting held 18th November 2021 were distributed and were agreed to be a true and accurate record. **Adoption proposed by Mary and seconded by Ruth.**

3. Presentation from Acting Chair (Dave Norman)

Dave Norman welcomed everyone to the 2021 AGM and also thanked Ruth Burton for all her hard work before standing down as Club Chair. Ruth is still heavily involved as Treasurer and overseeing Membership and really for her fantastic admin skills. Dave also thanked everyone else including committee and every club member.

A presentation document was handed out and copies are available on request.

4. Presentation from Club Secretary (read by Dave Norman)

Detailed reports were handed out covering Wolfpack, Men's

Cross Country and Road Relays, Ladies Road and Cross-Country

Report 21/22 and Track and Field Report for 2022. It should be

noted that Triangular League will be on Power of 10 from next year.

5. Presentation from Club Membership Secretary (Ruth Burton)

A revised list of membership costs and numbers of athletes was handed out. Proposed 2023 membership rate will include a £1 increase to cover England Athletics registration fees which have gone up from £16 to £17 for every person. Vote taken — Everybody agreed (32 votes)

Membership costs will be amended by £1 and will be shown on the website shortly.

A breakdown of what membership covers was also shown, and it was agreed all U20 and Track users still pay £2 each session.

All agreed & new membership cost to go on website

All agreed and amendment to be made

6. Presentation from Club Treasurer (Ruth Burton)

As of 30th September 2022, total of £22,000 available in the bank. We also have an additional £30,000 emergency fund (if ever we need to leave ALV and start afresh).

Breakdown of income/expenditure also handed out along with the accountant's report. The deficit of £13,000 is due to repayment from Wolverhampton City Council from track expenses incurred in 2020 that we didn't receive payment for until 2021.

Copies are available for anyone to see and also the full set of accounts. ALL ACCEPTED AS AN ACCURATE RECORD

7. Amendments to Constitution

- 1. General
- 1.5 Club colours shall be White Vest with Red, Yellow and Green diagonal stripes.

CHANGE TO:

1.5 Club colours shall be White **or Black** with Red, Yellow and Green diagonal stripes.

Reason: Introduction of Black vest for Senior Men and Women's 2022/2023 season as requested by the athletes.

Proposed Change (vote required) VOTE: all 32 agreed no objections

Amendment agreed.

8. Elect Honorary Officers for 2022/2023 – Mary Harding

The list of Elected Officers for 2021/2022 along with Proposed Officers for 2022/2023 was read thorough and amended accordingly. Several positions do remain vacant including a male welfare officer, coach co-ordinator, Men's and Women's Track and Field Manager as well as a volunteer co-ordinator. Interested parties can speak to anyone from the Committee who can take this forward.

9. Life Membership

To get this, the person needs to have been with the club for a minimum of 10 years.

The lady proposed has been with the club substantially longer as an athlete, coach, mentor and Relays and Cross-Country Manager.

Award presented to Jackie Halford and all agreed it was well deserved.

10. Date of next AGM: Thursday 16th November 2023. Venue & time to be advised

Mary Harding closed the meeting by thanking everyone involved in the club.

Meeting Closed at 20.59pm