

Thornbury Running Club AGM

Tuesday 20th October 2020

Secretary's Report for 2020

This report will cover the past 12 months. This corresponds to the period in which I have acted as Club Secretary. Additionally, events prior to this time are now somewhat historical.

The Committee has met on eight occasions during this period, four of these during the last three months to manage and monitor the resumption of activities after the easing of Covid lockdown restrictions.

Membership

The following membership statistics have been provided by Kevin Wood who took on the role of Membership Secretary. As Kevin has now kindly agreed to be Club Captain, we are looking for a volunteer for this role.

We currently have 217 members on our database, with a split of 123 male and 94 female, plus a further 15 honorary members making a total of 232. Of these 11 people have started running with us since restarting in August and have expressed a desire to join the club

EA/ARC affiliation

The Club continues to be affiliated to England Athletics, the Association of Running Clubs and the Avon Athletic Association. We also continue to be members of the Cotswold Way Association and the Ramblers Association.

The club has 61 members who have taken out individual membership of EA, with the club continuing to subsidise the membership fee.

Club Races

We have only been able to run one of our races this year – the Riverbank Rollick. The race was very successful - it sold out again and was much enjoyed by the participants – thanks to the excellent race organisation by Jo and her team. The cake sale at the event generated £500 for our charity, Made A Mark, in which the home-made cakes provided by club members proved to be popular.

Social Events

We held our Christmas party once again at Thornbury Cricket Club. This time we ordered in pizza, which was accompanied with salads and desserts kindly prepared by Ros. This proved to be popular and we will repeat this format in December this year if the Covid situation allows. We also had a dinner-dance at The Village Hotel in Patchway in January. The event was much enjoyed by those attending and thanks go to Suzy for her hard work organising it.

Club Charity

The charity selected for 2020 was local charity Made a Mark, who support bereaved children. As the club has not been able to raise as much as in previous years due to cancelled races, we will continue to support Made a Mark in 2021.

Nigel Hale - October 2020