MINUTES OF SWANSEA HARRIERS ATHLETICS CLUB

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**20 January 2022 from 7.45pm held Via Video**

**Conferencing**

**Present:**

Catherine Collins, Dave Sellick, Rodney Davies, Ann Owen, Tina Gabb, Emma Spacey, Nigel Jones, Daphne Marler, Imelda Morrisson, Jo Wood, Stacey Bevan, Nathan Phillips, Andrew Jenkins, Richard Harris, Christine McCoubrey, Brian Fox, John Griffiths, Dai Dix, Paul Flynn, Anthony Quick, Lynne Brier, Barrie Owen, Tony Clements, Jeff Payne

**Apologies**: Ian Griffiths, Sue Griffiths, Wendy Slade, Jane Hosgood, Islwyn Rees, Neal Merry.

It was agreed that Barrie Owen would chair the AGM

# President's Welcome

Barrie Owen opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to the Annual General Meeting.

Barrie gave a special thanks to the many volunteers at the club who again helped the club through a very difficult year due to the problems caused by the Covid virus. Barrie highlighted the Covid Officers and payment Officers who have been crucial in supporting our coaches and officials in getting through the year.

# Minutes of the 2021 Annual General Meeting

The minutes of the meeting were accepted as a true record

# Matters Arising

There were no matters arising

# Swansea Harriers Annual Report 2021

Barrie Owen referenced his foreword to the report, highlighting again the difficult year but also the positive signs and performance by our athletes despite this impact of covid. Barrie highlighted the selection of Joe Brier for the Tokyo Olympics and the fact that 13 club records were broken during the year and Welsh records going to Libby Hale and Lewie Jones. Barrie gave special thanks to our coaches, officials, team managers, Trustees, covid officers and café staff and expressed his gratitude to the University sports facility staff.

Tony Clements introduced the rest of the report which continued to incorporate each Team Managers report into one document. Tony highlighted the reports from Caroline Hurley on the Senior Women's Team, David Jones' report on the Senior Men's Team, George Edwards' Off Track report, Jo Woods' Track and Field report including the Junior Team's performances, Brian Fox’s Cross-Country report, and a Coaching report from Andrew Jenkins.

Tony pointed out some further developments including the new UKA Safeguarding policies and associated Codes of Conduct. Tony also mentioned two further partnerships this year, one with the newly formed Swansea sanctuary Runners and the other with the Welsh Blood service.

Other notable performances not mentioned in the report, included Ifan Lloyd winning the VM60 race at the national 10K Road Championships and the club’s excellent representation fort wakes at the London Mini Marathon.

Catherine Collins also commended our junior athletes who have adapted really well to the additional pressures related to Covid.

Barrie Owen commended the report which was approved by AGM members.

# Hon. Treasurer's Report for Financial Year ending 31 March 2019

Barrie Owen explained that Sue Griffiths was unable to attend the meeting but the Financial report had been posted on the website with the other papers and if there were any specific questions they would be taken back to Sue and responded to. There were no issues raised and the Financial Report was proposed by Jo Wood and seconded by Catherine Collins and approved by all AGM Members.

# Election of Officers and Officials

The proposed Trustees for re-election in 2022 were unanimously approved. The re-elected Trustees are Lynne Brier, Brian Fox and Tony Clements. Imelda Morrisson decided not to stand for re-election and Wendy Slade has also stood down as a Trustee. Special thanks were given to Imelda and Wendy.

The AGM also approved the proposal to keep two places vacant to allow co-optees during the year where the need for specific expertise ot interest may arise.

The Trustees that will continue in 2022 without requiring re-election are Barrie Owen, Ian Griffiths, Sie Griffiths, Christine McCoubrey, Catherine Collins, Nathan Phillips, and Dai dads.

**President**

Barrie Owen was re-elected as President

# b) Elected Vice President

Catherine Collins was confirmed as Senior Vice President

Dai Dix was elected as Junior Vice President

# c) Chairperson

Lynne Brier was elected as Chairperson

# d) Vice Chairperson

Ian Griffiths was elected as Vice Chairperson

# e) Honorary Secretary

Tony Clements was elected as Honorary Secretary

# f) Honorary Treasurer

Sue Griffiths was elected as Honorary Treasurer

# g) Membership Secretary

Chris McCoubrey was elected as Membership Secretary

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# Auditors

Peter Hughes was approved as auditor for the coming year

**Announcements and Coming Events**

John Griffiths highlighted the ANT Schools XC Championships at Margam park on 26 March from 12.30.

Brian Fox indicated that the club is hopeful that a Gwent League match will take place in Singleton Park in March. Subject to Swansea Council approval of the use of the Park.

It was noted that the club will be looking to have its first social event incorporating the club awards post covid at the end of the summer.

# Close

Club Chairperson Lynne Brier reiterated the Club’s thanks to Wendy Slade and Imelda Morrisson and thanked everyone for their attendance and the ongoing commitment shown by everyone involved with the Club.

The next AGM will be on 19 January (amended to 26 January) at 8pm

**The meeting closed at 20.42**

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