

Tri Team Glos Annual General Meeting

The Civil Service Club 26th April 2010 1900 hours

1. Apologies and Chariman's Welcome

Louise Mendelsohn Andy Gardner

Gary Jones Jo Carter Graham Denny

Welcome from BH to all members, busy year, membership stabilising at approx 100 – healthy number. Club represented in international and national events as far away as Australia Gold Coast including Notty competing at Double Ironman – an amazing achievement.

This year has seen a large entry to events across countries and has included a variety of distances. Also, new members have taken part in their first event this year, well done to them.

Successful TTG tri race last year, will be running again this year. BH asked for support from members to help.

BH thanked SP for Velodrome trips, curry evenings etc. Bill's race and barbecue will run again this year.

BH thanked GS for getting the website up and running especially time involved and getting it going in time for race entries.

Committee have set up more structured club format this year – Andy Gardner appointed as Head Coach and seems to be working/evolving. Dave Grainger has had to step back from swim coaching Wednesday eves. This brought to light shortage of coaches and club members encouraged to take coaching qualifications. HC and TH thanked for keeping Wednesday sessions going. Healthy attendance to swim sessions. Committee took on board club members requests for more organised coached sessions by the club. The run session has run at a loss so far so AG has suggested we join with Juniors to meet cost and pay half to keep it going.

Saturday morning cycling – numbers vary. Ironman group well supported and Group 3 quite consistent

Newsletter – published on regular basis. Good contribution from members so far.

Committee agreed to cover cost of printer to save having to pay for newsletter going out to print.

New club logo commissioned and published. Also new tri suit designed. Agreed to go unisex but it seems this doesn't suit females so decision to be made as to whether to go for female specific suit. Bulk order to be placed to keep cost down. SPIUK Brand. TH raised point that juniors would like to be included in ordering of suits. This will help with meeting bulk order number. Cardiff Triples – 10 team entered to date, only one from TTG. So plea to members to get entries in asap.

Club National Relay Championships – based at Nottingham. BH suggested that as club we ought to try to enter at least one team – 21st August.

BH thanked committee for their support this year.

2. Treasurer's report – Mark Doolan

Club accounts healthy despite showing loss of £1900. Written off stock balance that has been going on a couple of years, this accounted for £1000. Also concern over new role of Head Coach as it will be major draw on accounts, many events/activities subsidised by club.

Swimming never makes a profit so also funded. Accountant's costs higher than expected as a few differences because of different ways that treasurers have recorded transactions and balancing books.

RW noted that swimming is costing club and raised query that are people attending mainly swimmers only and should sessions be cut down. MD responded that we either offer sessions or not. He chased members to pay and this reflected in club numbers. Members discussed how swimming loss could be controlled. **MD will get breakdown and take to committee to see if this can be addressed by possibly increasing swimming cost.** Query raised as to why revenue had gone down by so much.

BH noted the £3048 in saving account doesn't show interest gained. Maybe change savings account to higher interest account. MD informed members of difficulties encountered this year with updating signatories on account. Kit will be subsidised but committee know that the club can afford this and this is a way to give something back to membership. Race committee holding accounts for TTG race. Accounts stood around £6000 for a few years. Suggested by member that membership should be put up in order to spread costs across whole membership of club, not just targeting swimmers. RW stated that race entry stayed the same this year because of current climate and the race entry wasn't full last year so race committee decided to keep cost static as local race.

3. Webmasters report – Grant Smith

Potential was spotted in redesign of website that club could make money from taking own race entry fees and there would be more interaction between club members. GS suggested that members can be given roles to manage areas of website. Possible to email from site as old email system was out of date and hard to manage members' changes. Now own responsibility to keep personal details up to date. Helps eradicate threat of viruses being passed on by email. Request for secretary's area.

4. Social Secretaries report – Sally Poll

Successful curry evenings and subsidised Velodrome trip. Next trip planned for October – provisional date. Cardiff Triples a good social event, so SP encouraged members to get involved. Dark Barn hosted Barn Dance, successful evening with over 50 members and

partners. SP thanked BH for hosting/organising duathlon and barbecue each year. SP asked for requests for ideas for future events.

5. TTG Gloucester Triathlon Race Report – Rob Wood

RW thanked race committee for support. Bike course route has changed due to safety issues, slightly longer. 140 entries so far, 160 to break even. 'Muck Off' providing race gift, Chase Hotels sponsoring main prize again and Louise and Dave Mcgrath chasing other companies for sponsorship and other companies are back on board with donating prizes this year so cost should be kept down. Sponsors displayed on website pages. RW stated that route is checked prior to race and included in race brief to make competitors aware. RW will notify county council of any major problems that are on course so they will be aware of their responsibility.

6. TTG Young Triathletes report – Graham Denny/Andy Gardner

Report to be included in newsletter. YTTG race on 23rd May, members required to help. Concerns raised as to how to hold on to junior members in the transition to senior club.

7. Election of Officers

Bill Hawkes: Chair and Newsletter Editor – voted in

Heather Clarke : Vice Chair – voted in

Sally Poll : Social secretary – voted in

Louise Mendelsohn : Bill Hawkes proposed, Jane Wood seconded and elected to Club secretary by members

Grant Smith: proposed by Mark Doolan, seconded by Penny Cartwright – voted in

Richard Read: nominated for press secretary, seconded by Paul - voted in.

Jane Wood: nominated by Rob Wood, Heather Clarke – voted in

Steve French: member representative – voted in

AOB:

Discussed role of membership secretary, does role need rethinking with website? To be carried forward to next committee meeting.

RW – thanked committee for their work.

Could minutes be uploaded to members section of website? Committee said this is not a problem, and MD reminded members that meetings are open to all members.

JW asked why Junior section had their own website so GS will look at link and making it more accessible.

Meeting closed at 9.10 pm