



Committee Meeting

9 December 2009

Attendees: Adrian Williamson (AW), Sarah Clark (SC), Clare Williamson (CW), Grant McKinlay (GM), Helen Everill (HE), Jane Bowen (JB), Rachel Hall (RH), Keith Dunn (KD), Melanie Bridgen (MB)

1. AW welcomed the three new members of the committee.
2. OPEN WATER UPDATE. AW confirmed the club has been granted use of the Manor Park Sailing Club, Kings Bromley as the new open water venue. This will be on a 3 month trial with a £200 annual fee.
JB raised a few concerns regarding the possible mass usage of the changing rooms and car parks by swimmers. The use of 1 specified car park was discussed.
There are to be 2 OW swim sessions per week, Tues and Sat.
JB also raised the issue of safety as the lake is large and doesn't have 1 point where all the swimmers can be seen. We have been offered the use of the sailing club's power boat but concerns were raised about it's safety with swimmers. After some discussion regarding a jet ski, it was felt that kayaks would be the most suitable option with the possibility of storing them on site. This will be discussed next year after a thorough recce of the lake.
KD asked if there should be some kind of risk assessment regarding water testing, swim entrance/exit etc. It was agreed this would take place next year. OW recce to be placed on the next agenda.
3. TT CHAMPIONSHIP. A new route for the tt is now required with a start close to the new OW venue. AW mentioned a current CTT route of around 10 miles KD to investigate further.
4. SUMMER SERIES. The new OW venue may not be suitable for the summer series. It was agreed the committee would discuss this further once the recce of the lake has been carried out.

5. CHAMPIONSHIP RACES 2010. AW put forward a list of races comprising of 22 races at 16 venues with a mix of OW and pool events to cater for all members. 2 IM events are listed due to the large number of members entered. The list was agreed. AW to communicate to the membership.
6. DUATHLON & SUB COMMITTEE. KD asked for help in organising this event in 2010. It was agreed that a sub committee was required and CW, SC, JB, HE, volunteered (with Andrew Vickers being volunteered in his absence!). AW confirmed the race has been registered with the BTF for the 28 March. Racking has been ordered. CW to collect it for storage. KD to arrange a date for a sub committee meeting.
7. MOUNTAIN BIKING. It was agreed to cancel this event due to lack of interest. AW to communicate.
8. SWIMMING & RUNNING REPTON - COACHING. MB suggested the possibility of paying external coaches. It was agreed that this would be against club principles. AW is to talk to Martin Hurdman regarding the possibility of continuing his coaching. AW said the Saturday run sessions were going well. The sessions are lead rather than coached. KD asked if anyone could lead the session and not just a qualified coach. AW confirmed that you don't have to be qualified. KD is to speak to suitable members regarding leading more sessions.
9. IM 70.3 BELGIUM. AW advised 10 members had already entered. AW will be presenting travel options in due course.
10. CHRISTMAS PARTY. AW thanked everyone for his gifts and everyone agreed the night went very well.
11. GRANTS. AW confirmed there are a few grants likely to be given to the club next year. Committee needs to discuss how the money is to be spent.
12. CLUBMARK. AW said the next Clubmark accreditation did not offer much/any benefit to the club. AW to meet with BTF to see if it is necessary.
13. IM RACE 2011. AW advised the nominated club IM race needs to be decided soon as places fill up very quickly. The IM event for 2011 will be a full IM and after much discussion the shortlist was agreed as Austria, Frankfurt, Regensburg and Copenhagen. It was agreed that a foreign location was preferable. AW to organise the vote early next year.

14. AOB. AW said that a date was needed to introduce the next training phase. AW will speak to Warren Sims.
RH suggested buying a thank you present for Simon Billson in recognition of the work he has done for the club. It was agreed that the committee would contribute and RH would purchase.
KD raised the issue of storage of club equipment. Many of the items are currently stored with RH's father and RH confirmed that this was fine and that security on site was good. AW/CW to check with CW's mum regarding an alternative storage location especially in view of the racking purchase.
AW reminded the committee that this is his last year as Chair and that they need to be aware that there are many duties that need to be handed over.
KD mentioned the turbo sessions suggested by a club member. The member concerned has been asked to make the arrangements.
GM advised that the club has been asked to host the junior inter regional championships but to do this we would need to change the Barton race to a Aquathlon. GM advised that the juniors would rather a triathlon and suggested keeping the race as a tri. This was agreed.
15. NEXT MEETING WILL BE 10 FEBRUARY 2010 AT BARTON MARINA 7.30PM