

# TE NW Committee AGM 11 October 2018

## Manchester YHA 1900hrs

**Present:** Dave Rigby ( Chair), Pete Edwards (Secretary), Paul Ekgren (Children's Series), Mike Myers (Academy Coach), Danny Parr (Skills School Coach), Oliver Heald (TE Regional Manager), Katy O'Connor (Technical Official & Knutsford Tri Club), Fiona Myers ( Technical Official & Wigan Tri Club), Karen Carter ( Rochdale Tri Club), Candice Parker-Smith (Technical Official)

**Apologies:** Sue Taylor, Andy Rawley, Terry Bates, Malcolm and Christine White, John Tuer.

Minutes of 2017 AGM: Summarised by DR and accepted as accurate. DP questioned whether the £2k promised by Epic Events had been received and how it had been allocated. MM and P Ek suggested possible recipients ie the Relay event. An accurate scrutiny of the accounts would be needed for a definitive answer. DP asked whether the coaches' network meetings had re-started. An item in TB's report suggests this was true-next meeting at Liverpool YHA on 1/11/18.

**Officer's Reports:** Chair – DR thanked everyone for attending the YHA despite traffic issues. This was a new venue due to financial restraints saving the region approx. £350 per year. Further funding cuts were possible so financial prudence is still required. DR stated this was his last year as Chair having been allowed to stay on a further year by agreement with TE due to recent issues with other committee positions. All positions were filled except Adult Series coordinator. DR thanked P Ek for his work with Peter Pain to roll out our model of the Children's Series across every region. Dr reported on the work he has done to equip each Motorcycle Official with an AED. 8 would be required and donations had been sought across the region. A pre-owned kit had been supplied a local construction firm and very generous donation have been promised by Chester Tri Club and Epic Events. DR issued a further request to regional clubs for assistance on this issue.

**Treasurer** – DR summarised, stating there is approx. £7-8k in the bank. Revenue is declining ie the TE grant, due to newly introduced Sport England financial rules. Thanks go to Epic Events for their financial support of the Children's Series.

**Children's Series-** See previously circulated report. In addition P Ek stated it had been a great year generally despite a few unfortunate incidents involving unruly parents and a tragic fatality at Blackpool. Our series was being used as the National Model. P Ek thanked AR and other helpers for all their hard work. P Ek proposed a special award be given to Anna Hulme who now competes as an adult but had competed every year in the Children's Series despite health and personal issues.

**Coaching:** See circulated report. Questions were asked about renewing first aid qualifications. PE to e-mail TB to resolve this. Regional equipment will now be stored by MM following recent issues.

**Technical Officials-** See circulated report.

**Academy-** MM reported an excellent year for results for the males though there was now a lack of females in attendance for a variety of reasons. Others have had a mixed year often due to health issues. MM reported he was running weekend sessions to sort out the squad for next year. There will be a training camp in Portugal in February 2019 for which MM requested a donation of £1k to

assist with costs for coaches. It was reported that Epic vents have a fund of £3k to subsidise athletes attending such training camps.

MM went on to outline a project he has in mind to obtain timing kit for use at regional events. It would cost approx. £1900 plus £40 per chip. This would save us ultimately rather than paying commercial suppliers. Following discussion it was decided that MM should draw up a detailed report for committee consideration.

**Skills School-** DP reported that 7 separate days had been run with 20 coaches and 100s of children in attendance. There were none planned in the near future due to changes at National level. Primarily there will be a change to the cost of attendance but it will include an element of Coach CPD being coordinated by TE. There will be an option for “Club Days” at a cost of £320 but with unlimited attendance. It was suggested the region could offer one of these so that non-club members could benefit.

**Regional Manager-** See circulated report.

**Election of Committee Members.** All current members agreed to continue and were returned unopposed. The following agreed to stand were elected unopposed:

Vice Chair- Karen Carter Proposed DR, seconded PE

Treasurer – John Tuer Proposed PE, seconded DR

Safeguarding Officer – Candice Parker-Smith Proposed PE seconded DR

Senior Series – Vacant

Sponsorship & Grants – Vacant

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