**TESE AGM MEETING MINUTES #34**

**Monday 1 November 2021 at 7.00pm, Virtual meeting**

Present: Santi Brage (SB), Liz Scott (LS), Jackie Hunter (JH), Tara White (TW), Dick Donovan (DD), Clare Donovan (CD), Jon Train (JT), Jen Granger (JG) David Pearson (DP), Clive Lett (CL) and 19 other participants from across 6 clubs.

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| 1. | Preceding the meeting at 6.30pm the Junior Series awards were presented. LS thanked Event Organisers in particular for putting on the races as their efforts were much appreciated by the juniors, their parents and coaches. She also thanked the TO’s and the marshals. A strong set of results were read out and the juniors showed their awards and were congratulated. Any feedback or thoughts for 2022 to be provided to LS. One of the parents thanked LS for her efforts as without her it would not have happened. LS advised that the TE awards were opening soon and there was a Junior Coach of the Year and a Junior Volunteer of the Year and that they should consider nominating someone. CD thanked the ‘significant other’ being parents/carers/coaches etc as the discipline and behaviours shown in 2021 were excellent and made being involved in the events so much more enjoyable. |
| 2. | The AGM commenced at 7.00pm. The quorum required was 20 and 3 regional clubs so we were well within the required numbers and the meeting started. All participants were welcomed. The minutes from the previous meeting were approved and any matters arising included in the Agenda. JLH confirmed that the reports had been made available on the web site and would be summarised during the meeting. |
| 3. | Chairman’s report: SB thanked everyone and confirmed there were 47 clubs, 3370 members of which 1260 were BTF members. At least 43 events had been put on in the region – many more than some of the other regions. SB noted the significant achievements of the Academy and thanked SC and her team. SB explained the objectives that had been set by the Committee early in the year to improve communication using the digital options. A Chairmans’ forum and a Coaches’ forum were set up and meetings held with the next meeting due either December or January. Clive Letts was appointed as Coach Rep and can be contacted at [clive.letts@aol.com](mailto:clive.letts@aol.com) or via the club Tuff Titty. The Regional Managers have had trouble getting venues for coaching courses but have managed to arrange a L1 and L2 course early in 2022 with spaces still available. |
| 5. | Committee positions: JH confirmed that there had not been any nominations for the 2 vacancies – Funding and Welfare Officer and asked if anyone at the meeting would like to put themselves forward but there were no nominations. The existing committee members have confirmed they are happy to continue in post and in accordance with the constitution there is no voting required as they are in place for 2 years which will end in November 2022 for the following:  Chair – SB, Treasurer – TW, Secretary – JH, Junior/Skills – LS, Social Media – DD, Reg TO Coordinator – CD, Senior Series – DP, Academy – SC  Clive Letts was appointed during the year and can remain in post till November 2023.  JLH explained that the new constitution meant that the committee members could not remain in post longer than 2 terms of 2 years and that if anyone might be interested in the future to contact a committee member as there needed to be a succession plan. |
| 6. | TW presented the Treasurers report. The finances are in good order and as we had previously built up funds when we were in charge of the education courses, at the current rate of spend, we would continue to have sufficient cash to operate whilst still making a small loss. The grant from the BTF is around £700 pa. There is a bank balance of circa £18k. |
| 7. | CD presented the TO report and thanked the TO’s that had stepped up to help during 2021. There is a new TO course in December and there are a number of delegates from our region but there is still places and a requirement for more TO’s.  The number of events was half that of the previous year so with expectations of an increase next year there would need to be more TO’s to cover events. Several of the Event Organisers have already confirmed dates but the BTF events system is not open yet. IT was noted that EO’s should contact DD and ensure that there is some social media promotion via the TESE facebook whilst waiting for the BTF site to be open. CD also suggested that there were likely to be some rule changes for 2022 and that she would make them known at the TO/EO meeting in the new year. |
| 8. | DP presented the senior series awards. IT was pleasing to note 22 clubs were involved including some new ones. Epsom Tri were the winners in 2019 and also won the overall category for 2021 matching Medway Tri’s tally of 2 wins. Brighton Tri being 2nd and Godalming & Haslemere 3rd. The other categories of male, female, mixed and mob were shared. DP suggested that if possible a mixed relay event would be included in the series next year using a shorter course and probably 2 male and 2 female competitors. D Pickney said they had held a mixed relay in Farnham. |
| 9. | JLH opened up the floor for anyone to give feedback or raise any questions either at the meeting or afterwards and thanked everyone for attendance. |
| 10. | There was no other business. Meeting closed with next AGM date TBA |