

Bollington Harriers Committee Meeting - 04/11/2021

Apologies :- Sara Knowles, Rebecca Andrew, Tom Grimes.

Christmas Run

- This years Christmas run will be held at the Poachers Inn on the 11th December @ 12pm
- The usual format will be followed with a run and a meal for £10 per head
- Prize for the closest predicted time as usual but we may not enforce a particular route

Running Festival

- The club will host and organise a race open to all
- Wooden medal
- Crazy Legs/SI to perform timing/entries etc (to be decided)
- Half marathon and 5km run options
- To avoid road closures runners will be made aware they are responsible for their own safety, although all steps will be taken to reduce risk.
- A race permit will be required
- Race to be held on 14th (Sat) or 15th (Sun) of May 2022
- Car parking to be arranged with Adelphi Mill. Other options include Clough Bank, St Johns School, Savio House.
- Route/start point/race village locations are yet to be determined.

Gala Dinner

- To celebrate the 5th anniversary of the club
- To be held on June 17th 2022 at Hollin Hall
- Open to friends and family of club members
- Several questions were raised about the venue
 - Min/Max number of guests
 - Costs
 - Whether we will host a speaker (e.g. Nicky Spinks) and what we would be provide for the speaker
 - Possibly make awards during this event

Bollington Beer Run

- This needs to be assessed as to feasibility etc

Run Leaders Coordinator

- Laurence Tandler agrees to continue in his role as Run Leader Coordinator and this title is now formalised

Spirit of the Club

- Due to feedback from one club member, the committee discussed whether there is too great an emphasis on Trail/endurance running.
- It was noted that during the Covid pandemic, more trail running was carried out as this easily provides social distancing and reducing close encounters with other members of the public. This in turn lead to more images posted of trail running

scenery which might have affected perceptions that the club might be emphasising trail running.

- Since lockdown has eased, the club has returned to Tuesday night road runs (with some trail) and this will continue
- Tristan will discuss with other run leaders the possibility of creating a regular short road run of up to 5km distance.

Ladies Run

- Discussed whether there would be an appetite for a Ladies only run
 - Determined that the issue might be more to do with a perception that male heavy runs might be too intense for some members.
 - Cheryl is going to look into putting on more slow runs and see if this appeals to more members.

AOB

- Wild Thing have been asked to make a permanent plaque for the club to be hosted in the Poachers
 - Need to check GDPR implications and welfare issues for members who might appear on the plaque.
- 1st Aid Course for run leaders is to be held at the Leisure Centre on 13th November
 - Any remaining places are to be opened up to the club members.

Date of next meeting: 3rd Feb 2022