

THE HAMILTON HARRIERS CLUB – MEETING ON 21 AUGUST 2006

Venue: Camphill Vaults, Bothwell.

Sederunt: Lorna Gall, Lindsey Gray, John Berry, Gordon Robbins, Neil Robbins, David Adams, Brian Campbell, Alex Robertson, Grant McKenna, Terry Grady, Peter Middleton, Tom Steel, Davie Dawson, Jim Breen (Minutes Secretary).

Issues from Previous Minutes

Grand-Prix Races – there must now be a minimum of at least two harriers in each of the selected races for the 2006 male grand-prix.

The club is on a sound financial footing. The current balance is £1005. The club's subscription to SAL (£250) has still to be paid nevertheless.

Change to Committee Structure

There was an important change to the structure of the club committee. Lorna Gall volunteered her resignation as both the Club President and Webmaster. Jim Breen was elected as the successor to both positions. Prior to this change, there had been a heated debate over club issues being discussed in an internet open forum, in particular, when these discussions were potentially.....although unintentionally..... hurtful to individuals. It was unanimously agreed that any concerns, such as coaching or training schedules, should be brought into a full and frank discussion at committee meetings or AGM's, where they can be properly minuted and acted upon if necessary.

Level 2 Coaching Award

J Breen proposed Lorna Gall to enrol on the forthcoming training course. This was seconded by T Grady. This will enable Lorna to attain her Level 2 Coaching Award.

Training Schedules

The club will continue to organise into two groups for training sessions. Andy McLinden and John Berry will coach the slightly faster paced runners. Lorna Gall volunteered to coach the slower paced runners and those who are relatively new to the sport. The two training schedules should hopefully accommodate all ability levels. John Berry suggested that there is even room for a veterans section within the club.

Club Handicap and Prize-Giving Awards

This year's Christmas Handicap will take place on December 9 2006. It was unanimously agreed that the winners of each monthly handicap race should be awarded with individual shields.

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The next scheduled Committee Meeting will take place on the 2nd of October 2006 at 7 pm in the Camphill Vaults, Bothwell.