

THE STOCK EXCHANGE ATHLETIC CLUB

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

For the year ending December 31st 2006 held at J.P. Morgan 125 London Wall, London.

Meeting held on 31 January 2007 19:00.

1.0 Meeting Attendees

1.1.0 Present

1.1.1. Greg Stevens, Andrew McLauchlan (minute keeper), Eric Gabbitas, Rod Silk, Terry Casey, Martin Wood, Karie Hastings, Peter Bell and George Laguillo.

1.2.0 Minutes circulation

1.2.1. As above plus Charles Eglington.

2.0 AGM for year ending 31 December 2006

2.1.0 Approval of minutes of the previous meeting of 26 January 2006

2.1.1. The minutes of the previous AGM of 26 January 2006 were approved.

2.2.0 Club trophies

2.2.1. The schedule of trophies was updated. (copy attached) and re-ordered by those in use.

2.3.0 Finance

2.3.1. EG presented the year end accounts, copy attached. These show a net profit of £284.93, which was noted as the first profit in 4 years.

2.3.2. The accounts were approved and are to be audited in the week following this meeting.

2.3.3. Main account highlights include:

- The main issue of cost was noted as club insurances, with the accounts including payments for both 2005 and 2006.
- Miscellaneous expenditure was mainly on the purchase of merchandise and running vests.
- Income was generated through both the darts evening and the supper, this latter event making a profit of £584.
- The value attributed the stock of medals ties etc, was noted as reflecting the purchase cost.

2.3.4. EG noted that this would be his last year as Hon. Treasurer

2.3.5. The committee thanked EG for all of his work during the year both as the main fundraiser and in preparing the yearly accounts.

2.4.0 Annual reports – running

2.4.1. SEAC entered a team in the Green Belt Relay finishing 3rd overall, some 42 minutes behind the winners after 23 hours of running. Particularly strong performances from Stephen Whitehead, Greg Stevens, Tim Woodthorpe and Rachel Townend. The team broke 3 course records and managed 5 stage wins.

2.4.2. Assembly league saw fewer SEAC runners this year with the A team finishing 2nd overall and the B team 4th. Individual winners included Greg who won 1st vet and Karen [Ellis] who won the woman individual. The event is seeing increasing numbers generally with 200 – 250 runners at some of the events. The club thanked TC and RS for their essential time keeping and general admin activities.

2.4.3. Other events used by the club included the Paddock Wood ½ Marathon (Club ½ Marathon champs) and the Vicky Park 5 Miler (club 5 mile champs), both of which suffered from low SEAC turn out. The cross country was cancelled as only 4 runners registered to race.

2.4.4. SEAC runners scored in the London Business House race with Greg the overall winner and Karen [Ellis] the 1st female, a first for the club.

2.5.0 Annual reports – social

2.5.1. The club supper and darts were both well attended and as in previous years raised the majority of club funds. The committee thanked EG for his hard work in both cases.

There concluded no further business for 2006 and the meeting was adjourned to be followed by the first committee meeting of the club for 2007.

3.0 Minutes of first meeting of 2007

3.1.0 Election of Officers and Ordinary Members Of The Committee

3.1.1. The following members noted their wish to remain the elected members of the club committee and were duly re-elected. A new office of Publicity Secretary was created so as to better market the club and the events which it runs.

3.1.2. The committee stands as follows:

Chairman	Greg Stevens	(GS)
Hon. Secretary	Andrew McLauchlan	(AM)
Hon. Treasurer	Eric Gabbitas	(EG)
Events Secretary	Rod Silk	(RS)
Team Secretary	Terry Casey	(TC)
Social Secretary	Karie Hastings	(KH)
Archive and website Secretary	George Laguillo	(GL)
Publicity Secretary	Martin Wood	(MW)
Ordinary members	Peter Bell	(PB)

3.1.3. EG to contact Charles Eglinton to check that he is willing to remain as President.

3.2.0 Approval of the club constitution

3.2.1. The club constitution was approved in its current form. (copy attached)

3.3.0 Running event 2007.

3.3.1. The Club propose entering teams for the Green Belt Relay and the Assembly League. The club will also run a 5 mile race championships as part of the Victoria Park 5 mile event. The Race is to be held towards the end of August. MW to co-ordinate dates for this and the Assemble League so as not to conflict with the City Races.

3.3.2. Due to poor attendances at the recent cross country events the club are to consider their options. The discussion covered both the prospective venues, East and West London, together with mid week or Weekend fixtures. Martin and Rod made cases for the traditional Essex weekend fixtures, meanwhile George pushed the wider accessibility issues.

3.3.3. No firm conclusions were reached however the committee have agreed that they following options remain open:

- As previous at Ilford.

- Join with the Insurance Association race.
- Run the race within the FSA cross country event in Richmond Park.
- Run the race as part of the London Cross country event.

3.3.4. No decision was made and the committee agreed to take soundings and review the situation during the course of the year.

3.3.5. Despite a turn out of only 6 SEAC runners in 2006 the committee agreed to hold the ½ marathon champs as part of the Paddock Wood ½ marathon.

3.4.0 Running kit

3.4.1. Greg and Karie remain the current kit custodians. A kit audit confirms that we have a number of female vests and a small stock of T-shirts and long sleeve dry-fit tops. Prior to the GBR Greg to place an order for more male vests and to base the order size upon a 'best value' quantity.

3.4.2. Vests are to remain free issue o runners at the discretion of the committee.

3.5.0 Social events 2007.

3.5.1. The club supper is be held at Dr Butlers Head on 1 March. Committee members are asked to bring 2 bottles of wine each for the raffle and to encourage a greater attendance from amongst the running fraternity. (supper details as attached(

3.5.2. The darts evening is to be held in June, date TBC.

3.5.3. It was noted that the walkers maintain their annual reunion at the Coppingham Arms, which is on the route of the Brighton walk. This years event is schedules to held on 19 may 2007.

3.6.0 Web site

3.6.1. The committee extended its thanks to GL for the face lift.

3.6.2. The 2007 calendar of events is to be added. (post meeting note see email as attached)

3.6.3. George is to add some pictures and narrative to reflect recent events. Both social and running.

3.7.0 Marketing

3.7.1. A brief discussion covered attracting new members and marketing current events.

- 3.7.2. GL made a strong case for widening the attraction of the club and the types of event which it runs and in which it participates. This is a perennial issue and the committee resolved to give attracting new members greater thought at the time of the next meeting.
- 3.7.3. The discussion extended to the 'product' being marketed by the club and again no firm position was reached as regards defining this beyond the current commitment to providing a vehicle for eligible runners to participate in the events which the club currently participate.
- 3.7.4. The point was also made that the club could function as a 1st claim club for those who train or participate in club events and who not already affiliated.
- 3.7.5. In order to attract greater entry numbers at club events the new role of Publicity Secretary was created. The purpose of this role is to provide assistance to RS in advertising the various events in which the club participates. A more detailed brief is to be developed over time.

3.8.0 Trophy's

- 3.8.1. There then followed a brief discussion regarding the re-use of the trophies not currently in use.
- It was suggested that the club could look to donate one of its surplus trophies to the GBR as a prize. It was noted that the 'walking' references may inhibit such a use.
 - GS suggested that we could look to lend some of the trophies in trust to local (east London) schools.
- 3.8.2. No firm conclusions were reached.

3.9.0 Archive material

- 3.9.1. RS agreed to prepare a brief historical narrative for the web site.
- 3.9.2. PB offered to scan some of the old photos and other martial, again for inclusion the website.
- 3.9.3. GL to upload the material onto the web site when it is available.

3.10.0 Finance

- 3.10.1. With club finances such as they are no discussions look place on this matter. Income for the year is to be secured through the darts and supper.
- 3.10.2. The issuing of vests to runners and the payment of the GBR entry by the club is to continue.
- 3.10.3. As Eric has noted his desire to step down at the end of this financial year, the committee will have to appoint a new Hon Treasurer at the next AGM.

3.11.0 Secretarial

- 3.11.1. The issue of maintaining the club affiliation was discussed as this is now due for payment. The premium has been raised from £70 in 2006 to £50 for the club and £3 per competing member, due on 1 April 2007. This cost increase was noted, as was the perceived need for 3rd party insurance. AM to investigate the issue and report back to the club. (post meeting note, refer MW's email attached)
- 3.11.2. MW to provide AM a copy of the Canal Group email list for record purposes (post meeting note, see attached). Data protection issues (and more specifically the act) were raised, but as no personal information beyond contact email addresses is held this was not consider a risk.
- 3.11.3. It was noted that over the year 2006 there has had been no committee meetings. The committee resolved to hold 3 or 4 meetings during 2007 with the first planned for 15 March 2007, 18:30 at Barcap. KH to make the room arrangements, PB offered his apologies in advance.

With no further business the meeting closed at 2100 with the committee adjourning to the Prodigal to watch Arsenal beat Tottenham Hotspur 3 goals to 1.

Enc SEAC Trophy Schedule dated 31 January 2007
 SEAC Accounts 2006
 SEAC Club Constitution
 SEAA affiliation paper work (3 files)
 Canal runners list
 SEAC 2007 outline race calendar
 Club supper info