

# Newham and Essex Beagles Athletics Club Minutes from Executive Management & General Committee Meeting Thursday 31st March 2021

Via MS Teams

Chair: Tony Shiret (TS)

Attendees: B WIlson (BW), C Rabess (CR), Elyzabeth Shitta-Bey (ES-B), J Bell (JB), M Sulu (MS), N Hepburn (NH), R Griffiths (RG), S Allman (SAl), T Mundle (TM) Apologies: A Stach-Kevitz

#### **Matters Arising**

- All agreed that minutes from 28th September 2021 meeting are an accurate record.
- Action of benchmarking of subscription fees not completed.
- Whistle blowing process to be done.

#### **Affiliations / Clubs Standards**

• 7 EA Club Standards are required from the club to be affiliated to EA.

#### Finance

- Money from Newham is still outstanding but overall, we are in a healthy position and as of December 2021 were running at a surplus.
- 3 indoor meets were held and although successful quite a lot of money was lost from all 3 events.
- Entry fees will be increased for meets this year to cover costs.

### **Upcoming Season**

- Plenty of kit available for the upcoming season
- Action: Kit will be needed for the YDL (UAG) athletes of ES-B, and ladies kit needed for SAL athletes of JB.
- NAL 24 twin rooms have been booked at the Copthorne by RW for Cardiff, however multiple hotels may now be needed due to a government contract the hotel has to honour. Coaches will be needed.
- Club Officials will need to be made available at the hotel for the duration of the stay.
- 2 female pole vaulters have been signed up as HCA's for NEBAC.

### Track Availability

• Operating from Newham Leisure Centre for 2 weeks from 4th April and then back at LMCT, however unable to use the grass due to maintenance (repainting of lines). All works will be completed by May 2022.



## **Open Meets**

- 4 open meets to be held summer 2022 on the following dates: Fri 10th June, Sun 17th July, Sun 18th August and Sun 11th September.
- The stadium have confirmed availability for 10th June and 17th July but cannot confirm the August/September dates until the premier league dates are released in June.
- More Officials are needed for the meets with later dates.
- Friday 10th June meet was due to predominantly be middle distance runners, with elite races at the end. There is an event on Sat 11th which may deter people from attending.

# **Beagles Academy**

- 5 week run of the Academy rather than the usual 10 weeks due to availability of dates. 80 athletes registered for the whole period but numbers for each session was quite low.
- Prepayment option to be looked at for the next run.
- 6 athletes identified from the academy for the foundation group and more athletes identified for the main club.
- Next Beagles Academy block will commence in autumn.
- London Borough of Newham have asked us to attend a athletics try out session on 9th April, 11am-3pm at Newham Leisure Centre and have also asked for help for the London Youth Games. This has been communicated to all coaches.

### **Coaches Meeting Report**

- Only 5 coaches attended, but overall good points were made. Minutes to be typed and sent to coaches and a report with questions requiring a formal response to be sent to the Executive Committee.
- Use of the warm up area was made out of bound as stipulated by the contract signed and also the fee required for the tunnel to be removed for each use.
- Action: Email address of Executive Management Committee to be emailed to SAI.

### Kit

• Athletics kit is being organised with New Balance and likely to be completed by the 2nd half of the season. T-shirts, long sleeve tops, a variety of shorts and running tights can be sold to athletes. Jackets will be looked at in future due to costs.

### AOB

- Action: NH to send TS UCL contact details, MS happy to help with this.
- Senior NEBAC athletes to be more visible to encourage and inspire young athletes.
- We need NEBAC coaches to encourage their athletes to compete at the relevant meets.



- Action: Can a notice board be purchased to be used on club nights where competitions can be promoted.
- Risk assessment for throws at LMCT has been submitted and returned back to NEBAC for further points to be addressed. Time to complete this has been an issue.
- Foundation Group to train more than twice a week has been requested. Suggested a survey be sent to parents to get their feedback on the cost of doing this. Action: TS proposes cost to be reviewed next year but this year 2 days a week training will be £45.