



# Perth Road Runners

Established 1985  
Affiliated to Scottish Athletics 1986

## Annual General Meeting

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2016**  
**Grampian Hotel**

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### **1. Welcome / Introductions**

Neil opened the meeting by welcoming the attendees and thanking everyone for attending.

### **2. Attendance and Apologies**

The meeting was attended by 62 members.

Apologies were received from 23 members.

### **3. Adoption of AGM Minutes 2015**

The AGM minutes from 2015 were accepted as true and accurate.

Proposer: Veronica Muir

Secunder: Fiona Manson

### **4. Intimations**

Neil explained that as the club had grown significantly in the past 12 months it was increasingly difficult to recognise individual personal life milestones, but wished all members well for 2017.

### **5. Annual Report 2016**

The Committee's Annual Report 2016 was emailed to members 2 weeks in advance of the AGM.

Neil read highlights from the Annual Report and thanked a number of members for their contributions to the Club during the year-

- Membership has significantly increased in the previous 12 months and there is a very positive spirit in and around the club.

- Duncan Ryan gave an overview of the Tay Ten and Brig Bash races and thanked all volunteers for helping organise. A new route for Tay Ten will be required due to ongoing regeneration work in one part of the route.
- New race sub committee members would be needed for 2017 and Neil formally thanked the existing committee for their work in 2016.

There were no questions on the report from members present.

### **5a Treasurer's Report**

Catriona Liddell presented the Treasurers Report to members and highlighted the healthy nature of the club accounts with a carry forward of £5790.85 at 31.10.16

Proposer: Grant Wooler

Secunder: Kirsty Johnston

There were no questions from the floor on the Accounts.

Neil thanked Catriona for her work as Treasurer.

### **6. Presentation – Jean Wainwright Salver**

Stuart Fraser introduced the award with a talk about Jean and why the salver is presented:

“The Jean Wainwright Salver is awarded to the member who has proved to be the most adventurous in their running during the year.

Jean joined PRRs in 1996 and was a club member for 15 years. She joined the club in retirement and had some amazing achievements, Jean's age category awards included:

- 15th in New York marathon in 1998
- 2nd place for Britain in the European vets championships in Belgium,
- 6 London marathons, always in top 10 in her age group,
- 17 marathons in total.
- First British woman to complete a marathon on every continent. This took Jean to Antarctica - poor weather meant the ship couldn't dock so the marathon was reorganised to running 430 laps of the upper deck and 326 laps of the lower deck - not Jean's easiest marathon in her 70th year

Jean sadly passed away in 2011 but her legacy lives on in this award.

- In the first year, 2012, the salver was presented to Anne and Robin Wombill
- In 2013 – Peter Ritchie was the winner
- In 2014 – Sue Jones won the award
- In 2015 - Barry Campbell won the award

The 2016 winner has been a difficult call as we had very worthy nominations. After much consideration the committee decided to award the salver to an individual who had undertaken some huge challenges this year.

The winner of the 2016 Jean Wainwright Salver, for A Spirit of Adventure, is Daile Sipple. The salver will be presented at the Club Presentation dinner in February.

## **7. Most Improved**

Ronnie Glen introduced the Most Improved male and female runners, stating that it was a challenging choice again this year.

There were 4 contenders in the female category – Gillian Douglas, Catriona Liddell, Gillian Smith, Sonjia Crowe. The winner is Sonjia Crowe.

There were 7 contenders in the male category – Stewart Reid, Roy Mitchell, Brian Galletly, Kev Riddell, Stuart Fraser, Stuart Robertson, Richard Ward, Kevin Rogers. The winner is Kevin Rogers.

## **8. Club Personality of the Year**

Stuart Fraser talked through the nominations for Club Personality of the Year 2016 – Fiona Morrison, Lorraine MacPherson, David Stokoe - the Club Personality of the Year for 2016 is David Stokoe.

## **9. London Marathon Ballot**

Simon Grieshaber explained that the Club has been awarded 2 Club places by Virgin London Marathon.

The Club places drawn were Gillian Smith and Claire Douglas.

## **10. Proposals for 2017**

1. Kirsty Johnston proposed – *“All payments to the club must be paid by BACS and no cash or cheques accepted.”*

Seconded by Daile Sipple.

Key discussions points –

- Not all members have electronic banking.
- Money needed to be placed in an envelope with name clearly showing.
- Electronic banking should be available for purchasing clothes as well.
- Standing orders can be set up for membership payments.

**The proposal was REJECTED** by a vote of 3 in agreement versus 59 against.

2. Kirsty Johnston proposed – *“Entries to Tay Ten and Brig Bash can be changed up to 1 week before the race date.”*

Seconded by Barry Campbell.

Key discussion points –

- There has been negative feedback about inability to change runners 1 week prior to the races.

- Depends on timescales the chip timing company need.
- Race committee in agreement with changes 1 week before.
- Entrycentral states no refunds or transfers.
- Need to respect the waiting list of runners asking for an available place.

**The proposal was AGREED** by a vote of 54 in agreement versus 0 against.

3. Kevin Rogers proposed – *“I would like to propose that if a club member receives a place in the London Marathon from the club ballot that they should then not receive a place via the club ballot for the following 3 years. As we know running the London marathon can be the pinnacle of running for some people who will not be able to achieve a GFA place. In addition to this getting a place via the official London ballot is almost impossible. To make sure the club shares the experience to as many of our club runners as possible this is why I propose the 3 year period. I don’t think anyone would keep taking the ballot places but this just makes it formal and ensure as many of our club members get the chance as possible, especially as we are growing so quickly.”*

Seconded by Dave Sinclair

Key discussion points –

- The committee have made recent rule changes similar to Kevin’s proposal, but with a 1 year period rather than 3.
- Important that we always use our 2 club places.

**The proposal was AGREED** by a vote of 50 in agreement versus 3 against.

4. Kirsty Johnston withdrew proposal 4 due to vote on proposal 3 – *“You are unable to apply for a London Marathon club place if you were successful in previous 12 months.”*
5. Kevin Rogers withdrew proposal 5 due to ongoing work with kit suppliers – *“An away running top in Purple, branded PRR with a Scottish Flag on the arm.”*
6. David Stokoe proposed – *“Following the success of the C-R-Y relay from Dundee to Perth we organise and stage a similar relay run, this time from Highland Perthshire to Perth city in support of a local Perth based charity. The relay should take place during a free weekend in spring, early or late summer and be subject to the same specifications as the C-R-Y run.”*

Seconded by Stewart Dallas

Key discussion points –

- Great to support local charities.

**The proposal was AGREED** by a vote of 54 in agreement versus 0 against.

7. Neil Muir proposed – *“John Johnston and Dave Sherman be granted honorary membership of Perth Road Runners.”*

Seconded by Daile Sipple

Key discussion points –

- Honorary members have full voting rights.

**The proposal was AGREED** by a vote of 55 in agreement versus 0 against.

## **11. Election of Committee Members**

**Chair** – Kirsty Johnston was proposed by Stuart Fraser and seconded by Fiona Morrisson  
There being no other nominations, Kirsty was duly elected Chair.

**Vice Chair** – Stuart Fraser was proposed by Kirsty Johnston and seconded by David Stokoe.  
There being no other nominations, Stuart was duly elected Vice Chair.

**Secretary** – David Stokoe was proposed by Veronica Muir and seconded by Paul Grace.  
There being no other nominations, David was duly elected Secretary.

**Treasurer** – Catriona Liddell was proposed by Veronica Muir and seconded by Karen Walters.  
There being no other nominations, Catriona was duly elected Treasurer.

**Championship Organiser** – Ronnie Glen was proposed by Stewart Reid and seconded by Stuart Fraser.  
There being no other nominations, Ronnie was duly elected Championship Organiser.

**Press Reporter** – Caroline Hogarth and Richard Hughes were proposed by Veronica Muir and Seconded by Sally Newton. There being no other nominations, Caroline and Richard were duly elected Press Reporters.

**Club Clothing Organiser** – Stewart Dallas was proposed by David Stokoe and seconded by Alan Patterson. There being no other nominations, Stewart was duly elected Club Clothing Organiser.

**Web Organiser** – Richard Hughes was proposed by Kevin Riddell and seconded by Stewart Dallas.  
There being no other nominations, Richard was duly elected Web Organiser.

### **Race Sub Committee –**

Fiona Morrisson  
Mike McConnell  
Kevin Riddell  
Nina Roberts  
Craig Antrobus  
Lorraine MacPherson  
Susan Smith  
Sonjia Crowe  
Jean McCullough

## **12. Any Other Business**

- Meet and greet rota to be co-ordinated by Fiona Manson.
- Collection for Coach Colin Keough to thank him for his support to the club.
- Christmas night out Royal George Hotel.
- Ballot places available for Bournemouth Marathon, Scottish Half.
- Stewart Dallas reminded people of clothing sales 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month.
- Club membership cards are now laminated and available for collection.

- Robin Wombill proposed a poppy run in November 2017 – agreed.
- Peter Ritchie organising Half Marathon in Blairgowrie.
- Ronnie will be looking at Championship Races for 2017.

### **13. Close**

Neil Muir closed the meeting with thanks to the 2016 committee for their hard work and with thanks to all those present for attending the 2016 AGM.