

Minutes of the meeting of the Cross Country Committee of Athletics Otago held in the Athletics Otago Club Room at the Caledonian on Monday 10th October 2016 at 7.30pm

Present: Greg Johnston – Chair (Leith), Alan Funnell (Leith), Kevin Murphy (Hill City Uni), Peter Bromley (Ariki), Dave Crewe (Ariki), Tamsyn Hayes (EO)

Apologies:

Absent: Andrew Glennie (Caversham)

Minutes:

“Moved that the minutes of 5th September 2016 meeting be taken as read.”

K Murphy/P Bromley Carried

Matters Arising:

Trophies list/race rules

- Still yet to track these down
- Checklists have been made for each race for next season

Otago Cross Country Championships Error

- Peter Fitzgerald received the title for Men’s Masters 50-64 but was not registered at the time
- As a result, Chris Sole is now the title holder of that category, with Brent Halley 2nd and Russell Lund 3rd (Greg Johnson to change the results)

Confirmation of Previous Minutes:

“Moved that the minutes of the 5th September 2016 meeting are a true and correct record of the meeting.”

A Funnell/K Murphy Carried

Correspondence

Inwards & Outwards

- Jonah Smith was presented the trophy for Otago Marathon Championships Senior Male at the Caversham AGM
- Bryce Watt received a Facebook message from Mel Aitken regarding the Otago Marathon Championship Presentation, nothing was mentioned at the prize giving at the Dunedin Cadbury Marathon nor has she received the trophy the past two years (Greg Johnson to reply regarding this matter, we are currently trying to track down the trophy, Dave Crewe to ask Sarah Chisnall if she has it)
- NZ Mountain Running Championships – Tamsyn Hayes has spoken to Gareth at Athletics NZ regarding our involvement. Committee has decided tonight that it is not worth the cost to us to be involved. (Tamsyn Hayes to phone Gareth to let him know)

“Moved that the inwards correspondence be received and the outwards endorsed.”

A Funnell/K Murphy Carried

General Business:

Review of:

- **Dunedin Cadbury Marathon** – Some serious concerns raised by the committee regarding the traffic and marshall issues. Two areas that were especially of concern were the Dundas and Albany intersections. The race referee in that area witnessed runners backed up, many cars backed up, as well as marshals with weak unclear voices struggling to manage the situation, as well as standing in the wrong place. One suggestion the committee had for the Dundas intersection was to close off westbound traffic. Also there needs to be a better marshall briefing in place.

- **Road Relay Championships (Rotorua)** – Good course and they put on a fantastic social afterwards for everyone. The results were very slow to be put up on the website though and the full results still do not appear to be there.
- **NZ 24 Hour Championships (Auckland)** – Great event. We had two Otago athletes there that did really well. John Bayne came 1st with 209km and Greg Yee came in 6th place.

General/ Up and coming events

- **Business House Fun Run** – Monday 28th November 2016
 - Alan Funnell, Dave Crewe, Kevin Murphy and Peter Bromley to help out
- **Port Chalmers to Dunedin Road Race** – 31st January 2017
 - Still haven't had anybody put their name forward to be the race director and lead a committee to try and make a real go of the event.
 - Want the Board to decide whether the Cross Country Committee are to run it themselves or contract someone outside of Athletics Otago to run the event for us.
- **Stadium to Surf Fun Run** – 12th March 2017
 - It's going to be great! ☺
 - New committee involved in running this event with lots of ideas on how to attract more participants.
 - Also the ODT are entering in to the partnership, making it a third owner along with Athletics Otago and Sport Otago.
- **Winter programme for 2017** – November meeting

NEXT MEETING: Monday 14th November, 7.30pm

Meeting Closure: 8.45pm