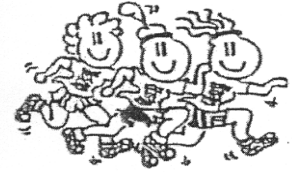


Running Sisters (Tayside)



Fifteenth Annual General Meeting, Monday 14th April 2008 at Douglas Sports Centre

1. The Chairperson, Leigh-Ann, thanked everyone for coming and expressed her delight that so many runners had managed to make the AGM. Jenny Wood Allen, Honorary President, was also in attendance and was thanked for coming. No apologies had been received and with around 18 attendees, it was established that a quorum had been reached.
2. Minutes from the previous AGM were distributed. They were taken as read, nominated by Ann Fenton and seconded by Karen Fox. There were no business matters arising.

3. **Reports:**

Chairperson

- Leigh-Ann gave a brief summary of the past years events. The first of these was the September event which had been planned to be held as a barbecue. Tickets had been sold to gauge numbers, and unfortunately due to a lack of support the event was cancelled.
- In January the annual 'Apres-Christmas' night out was held in the Ship Inn, Broughty Ferry with a great turnout of Running Sisters.
- Also beginning in January, Sandra Anderson had led the training for the Smokies 10 mile race in March. This was much appreciated by all who took part and, in particular, led to the achievement of personal bests for a few of the runners.
- In March the well established Monikie 5k race was held. Full entry was achieved before the closing date thanks largely to the support of two local clubs (the Fitness Friocks and the Ardler Ladies). In addition, the race had been well publicised, such as through Scottish Athletics and 'My Race' magazine, and it was noted that some runners had come from far afield. On the day the weather was good and the event went smoothly. It also appeared to be well enjoyed with good feedback from many of the runners. The proportion of Running Sisters running was noted to be relatively low, but it was thought that this perhaps would have been higher had the places not been filled so quickly. Thanks to Sandra Anderson's training for the Smokies race the race times were generally good for the Running Sisters.

Treasurer

- Karen Fox supplied a copy of the accounts, which were generally looking very healthy. The Monikie 5K run had made a £35 profit. Membership was again high with 51 members.

4. **Elections**

- This year, Leigh-Ann Logan (Chairperson), Sheila Fettes and Liz Begg stood down from the committee. Leigh-Ann explained that given the difficulties in finding members willing to be join the committee last year, one of those elected, Caroline Steedman, was in fact a not yet a member of the club. Leigh-Ann expressed her appreciation for Caroline's contribution, but unfortunately after a short time she was unable to continue with the committee and had to stand down. This left only 2 members staying on the committee this year: Karen Fox and Angela Craigie. It would also be their final year as office bearers can only stand for a maximum of three years.
 - Nominations were invited for new committee members, but unfortunately nobody was willing to join. The one possible exception was from Judy McGreal, but this was dependent on whether or not she decided to begin a diploma. She agreed to keep the committee informed of her decision.
 - This left the committee in a difficult and far from ideal situation with only 2 members, but it was agreed that club members would contribute where possible throughout the year. It was established that in cases where neither Angela nor Karen were able to come to the club on a Monday night, other members such as Ann Fenton, Alison McNeilly and Judy McGreal who work close to Karen and Angela would pick up the bag and take it to the club.
5. **Annual Review of Fees:** Following the Treasurer's report of the healthy state of our bank balance it was unanimously agreed to keep the fees at the present £7. This would enable any profit to be put towards subsidising for example new club clothing.
 6. **Buses to races:** It was agreed that club funds could be used to subsidise buses to races. If members would like a bus booked for a race they should notify the committee and find out who else is interested. It was agreed that a bus would be arranged for the forthcoming Glasgow 10k in May with a £5 subsidy per Running Sister. Non-members would only be offered seats once members had all booked their places.
 7. **Club clothing:** Alison McNeilly volunteered to look into sourcing new clothing for the club. It was also agreed that continuing with the club colours (black and fuschia) was not too important as they had been changed more than once in the past.
 8. No other business matters were raised.

Leigh-Ann closed the meeting and thanked everyone for coming.