

# City of Lancaster Triathlon (COLT)

## Minutes of the AGM on Wednesday 26 January 2011

**Present - committee:** Richard Mason (in the Chair), Kel Hirst, Jennie Hodgson, Andy Holgate, Andrew McCracken, Sarah Patterson, Wendy Smith, Chris Wild

**Present – members:** Chris Clarke, Rick Gould, Graham Hodgson, Danny Rogerson

### 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from John Knapp, Dan McParland, Louise Stevens and John Towse.

### 2. Minutes of the last AGM

The minutes of the last AGM held on 20 January 2010 were read and approved.

#### 2.1 Matters arising – **Purchase of Club Rollers**

**Action: Andrew McCracken to investigate funding/grants to purchase rollers**

#### 2.2 Matters arising – **Club records and Ironman Hall of Fame**

**Action: Work in progress for Andy Holgate**

### 3. Captain's report

Richard reported on a very second successful year for COLT with members continuing to race at home and abroad over all distances. The club had organised a series Open Water swims from May to September which included 2 socials, a BBQ and a pizza/pasta evening at Waters Edge which again had proved very popular and generated a good deal of income for the club (£1,730 in total). Six COLT teams had entered the National Relay Champs. An Autumn Training weekend had taken place in the Lake District in September. COLT had held a Christmas Social at the Greaves Hotel where trophies had been presented to Mark Hammond (best male for 2010), Valerie O'Donnell (best female for 2010) and John Carr (Captain's Big Banana Award). He thanked the committee for their hard work and commitment over the year, especially John Towse and Louise Kelly who had tendered their resignation due to other commitments. It was reported that membership for 2011 was now open and the price remained the same at £10.00 for seniors and £5.00 for juniors.

### 4. Treasurer's report

Dan McParland had prepared the accounts the accounts for 2010 which were distributed and presented to the meeting by Andrew McCracken. The club has a healthy surplus of £1,272.97 with most income generated from the open water swims and the membership fees.

## 5. Junior Section Report

Jennie Hodgson gave an overview of the achievements of the junior section of the club over the past 12 months which had been outstanding. Jennie was thanked for her work in co-ordinating the junior section and Wendy Smith was thanked for carrying out the role of Child Welfare Officer and also serving on the North West Regional Committee. Jennie suggested it would strengthen the identity of the junior section if the children were brought together once a month over the racing season. It was agreed to endeavour to hold a training session for juniors in May, June and July so three sessions in total. Last year's session for the juniors on transition training had been well received. Jennie indicated that she was willing to continue to co-ordinate the junior section. Andrew suggested that an email or call to all the junior parents to ask if there would be support for identifying a local triathlon where all the children competed and having a training session at the venue of the race to practice. It was suggested that Kevin McGuinness might be a good COLT senior member to approach to help co-ordinate this task. Jennie indicated she could supply contact details of COLT junior parents.

**Action: Richard Mason/Andrew McCracken to talk to Kevin McGuinness and contact COLT junior parents**

## 6. Election of officers and committee for 2011

### Officers for 2011

Captain	Richard Mason
Proposed/Seconded	Graham Hodgson/Andy Holgate
Vice Captain	Andrew McCracken
Proposed/Seconded	Sarah Patterson/Wendy Smith
Treasurer	Dan McParland
Proposed/Seconded	Andrew McCracken/Andy Holgate
Secretary	Sarah Patterson
Proposed/Seconded	Andy Holgate/Chris Wild
Web Manager	Andy Holgate
Proposed/Seconded	Richard Mason/Chris Wild
Forum Manager	Danny Rogerson
Proposed/Seconded	Andrew McCracken/Richard Mason
Junior Liaison	Jennie Hodgson
Proposed/Seconded	Andrew McCracken/Chris Wild
Child Welfare	Wendy Smith
Proposed Seconded	Andrew McCracken/Richard Mason

### Committee members in 2011

Kel Hirst	
Proposed/ Seconded	Andy Holgate/Sarah Patterson
John Knapp – appointed in his absence having indicated he was willing to continue.	
Proposed/Seconded	Richard Mason/Andy Holgate

Chris Wild

Proposed/Seconded Sarah Patterson/Andrew McCracken  
Jade Taylor – appointed in her absence having indicated she was willing to join the committee.

Proposed/Seconded Richard Mason/Andy Holgate

Richard extended an invitation to all members to put themselves forward if they wished to join the committee.

## 7. Designated Club Races for 2011

Sprint	Skipton	17 April 2011
Olympic	Capenwray	12 June 2011
Middle	Day in the Lakes	26 June 2011
Long	Ironman UK	31 July 2011

It was agreed that prizes be awarded at the annual awards ceremony for the best performances at these races in addition to the best male & female.

## 8. Members views/suggestions

### 8.1 Ironman Distance OW Swim

Graham Hodgson proposed that one Open Water Swim evening be designated as an opportunity for those who wished to swim Ironman distance (3.8 km) equivalent to 7 laps at Water Edge and those participating should be timed. All present supported this proposal.

**Action: Andrew McCracken to organise over the Open Water swim season**

## 9. Any Other Business

9.1 **Sponsorship for Juniors** – Graham Hodgson reported that his company, Technology Farm Limited, had agreed to give a further £1,000 to the Youth Development Fund for COLT for 2011. The distribution of the funds would be agreed with the Captain and Vice-Captain. Graham was thanked for his generosity.

9.2 **Club Bike Box** – Sarah Patterson reported that John Towse had ordered a bike box from Bike Box Alan that would be delivered in the near future. This would be available for COLT members to borrow free of charge when travelling overseas to train and compete.

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