

## **2017/18 Secretary's Report**

### **Tuesday 8 May 2018**

It is a great honour, as Club Secretary, to be presenting my first Secretary's Report on the activities of the Club over the past 12 months.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all members to our Annual General Meeting tonight. The goal of my report is to outline the events and to outline the future vision and aspirations of the club going forward.

Firstly I would like to cover the excellent achievements of the club over the past 12 months and to outline to all members the continued workload and effort taken on by the elected officers each year.

### **Members**

#### **Currently on the portal we have**

- 167 Competitive Members
- 77 Non Competitive Members
- 22 Coaches
- 7 Officials
- 16 Volunteers

### **Becoming a Limited Company**

This year has seen Jarrow & Hebburn AC become a limited Company. This means we will become a not for profit organisation and will benefit the members greatly by setting up a Trust. This is something Run England heavily endorse and a lot of other clubs have followed this path. This will allow us to have greater financial security over the coming years and will hopefully see growth in our current funds as we will be able to purchase bonds and see a return.

### **Use of Stadium & Facilities**

This year we again have hosted

- a full series of Veterans Track Championships
- Minor Cross Country
- Boxing Day Handicap
- Veterans Relays

### **Website**

We have moved with the times and have updated the website with content and information and we can now all order club clothing on line

## **General Data Protection Regulations**

Come into effect on 25<sup>th</sup> May and I have been working on ensuring compliance. We will only hold personal and sensitive data where there is a club need and you have all been asked whether you are OK with this happening. We will not share your data with anyone unless you are asked first.

## **Purchase of Club Tent**

For all those who have tried to get changed in the wind and rain at cross country we have answered the call and purchased a new tent this year. It's impressive and now we have the hang of it quite easy to assemble and dismantle. It is a great promotion for the club and can be used at all events.

## **Annual Presentation Night**

Another great success highlighting the great achievements of the year and showcasing what makes us a great club. This was illustrated in the very difficult time the committee had in choosing the winners.

## **Success Stories**

### **Barry's Group**

#### **North East Cross Country Championships – GOLD Medal**

Georgia, Alex, Gina, Angela

#### **North Cross Country Championships – selected to NE**

**InterCounties Team** - Georgia, Alex, Steph

**Signals Relays – GOLD Medal** - Elaine, Georgia, Alex, Steph

**Lowes 5k** - Georgia 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

**Tees Barrage 10k** - Georgia 1<sup>st</sup>

**NE Track 5k** – Alex 1<sup>st</sup>

**Paris 10k** – Steph 1<sup>st</sup>

**George Ogle 6k** – Alex 1<sup>st</sup> course record

**Versaille 15k** – Steph 1<sup>st</sup>

**10 mile** – Georgia 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Banks of the Tyne 5k** – Steph 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### **Sunderland 5k (Inc. NE & Northern Champs) Northern Gold Team Medal**

Georgia 3<sup>rd</sup> NE and 3<sup>rd</sup> Northern

Steph 4<sup>th</sup> NE and 4<sup>th</sup> Northern

#### **Brampton to Carlisle 10 mile – (Inc. Northern Champs) Northern Gold Team Medal**

Georgia 3<sup>rd</sup> in race / 2<sup>nd</sup> in Northern

Steph 4<sup>th</sup> in race / 3<sup>rd</sup> in Northern

Alex 5<sup>th</sup> in race / 4<sup>th</sup> in Northern

## **Junior Athletics**

- It has been a good season for the multi eventers and sprints group
- Produced great performances throughout the season.
  - County Schools champions
  - Inter counties champions
  - North eastern champions
  - English schools

## **Sportshall Finals**

Although we have lack of numbers for our league events, we certainly perform very well and use it as a development programme for the youngsters !!

## **Disability Regional & National Finals**

Best thing as a coach is to see all of the improvements and development from the group over the last year and to see how much their confidence has grown.

We have a satellite club at St Joseph's and some coaching at Bedeburn school we have recruited a few new members and looking forward to see how they progress his season.

## **Another year of great performances for all Alan's runners, however there are 2 we need to give a special mention to**

### **Andy Burn**

- Andy was the Overall Senior Grand Prix Winner in the Harrier League.
- He was the winner in his age Category at the British & Irish International x-Country Championships in **Londonderry, Ireland**. Picking up a Gold Medal as the Winner in his age Group and a Bronze in the Team Event.
- He was 2nd in the European Masters 5,000 Metres in **Denmark**. Picking up a Silver Medal
- Also 2nd in the British Masters 5k Championship at **Birmingham** and another Silver Medal
- He ran a Brilliant Race at Horwich to finish 1st in the British Masters 5K Championships picking up another Gold Medal.
- Andy also Ran in the Inter-Counties Race at **Loughborough**, finishing in 109th Position he was not at his best as he was not feeling to well. But since a lot of the Team had pulled out before the start of the Meeting Andy felt he should run. In Paddy's words a 'True Trooper'.

## **Elaine Leslie**

Elaine list of her performances this year.

- In the Harrier League Grand Prix for the veteran women Elaine finished 3rd.
- She was 1st Vet (7th Overall Women) in the **North Tyneside 10k**
- She was 2nd Overall (1st in her age category) in the 5k British **Masters Championships at Horwich**. Organiser stating that her run was the Performance of the Day. Picking up a Gold Medal
- She was 1st in the North East Master's Athletics Association Championship 5k at **Watergate**. Picking up a Gold Medal.
- She Won the North East Counties 10,000 Meters Championship race at **Monkton**. Picking up another Gold Medal Again.
- She was the Women's winner of the Sandancer 10k at **South Shields**
- She was picked to run for England in the British and Irish x-country Championships in **Londonderry, Ireland**. She picked up a Team Gold.
- She was also part of our Team that won the North East Counties Relay Championships at **Hetton-Lyons Park**. Picking up another Gold Medal.

## **Jim's Group**

### **Heather Robinson**

- She was picked to run for England in the British and Irish x-country Championships in **Londonderry, Ireland**. She picked up a Team Gold

## **Next year**

- We will be looking at fundraising in a big way
  - We will be looking into improvements to our facilities
  - We need to promote the many many races available throughout the year which we need to get the yellow vest involved in especially the Seniors Track Season
  - Celebrate 80 years of being Jarrow & Hebburn AC.
  - Continue with the collation of the Club History with drop in events planned for July
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- Here's to an injury free and really successful year for our little club.