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BOLTON UNITED HARRIERS & ATHLETICS CLUB

Committee Newsletter

Through this Newsletter, the Bolton United Harriers Committee aims to provide the Club's members with a summary of the issues discussed at the latest Committee meeting, and the key actions and decisions that have resulted from those discussions.

Major Issues

Track & Equipment Improvements

The Committee continues to work with Bolton Council to bring about major improvements in both the track and the equipment that we have. The re-painting and repair of the track is now complete, and work is ongoing on the hammer circle and the shot-putt circle.

A water supply has now been installed to enable us to fill the water jump for the steeplechase, and an order has also been placed for new high jump equipment and a protective armadillo.

The high jump equipment, together with the new pole vault and the ten new hurdles, hurdle cart, new hammers and shot-putts recently delivered, now means the Committee has secured equipment on behalf of the Club valued in excess of £30,000.

It is hoped that, once all this equipment is delivered, we will be able to work with the Council to get the track re-certified with UK Athletics, so that competitions can be held without any restrictions.

Further to the work that has been carried out in the indoor equipment store, including the construction of two lockable storage containers, work has also started on clearing out the Track Office.

Coaching Co-ordinator

This month has seen the formal appointment of Don Lennon as the Club's new Coaching Co-ordinator.

Don brings to the Club a great deal of coaching knowledge and experience and has already held his first Coaches Meeting at which he outlined the ideas he would be looking to bring to the Club.

Club Mark

Work continues on maintaining our Club Mark accreditation, with emphasis being placed on implementing systems to ensure compliance with the requirements in the long-term. An Action Plan has been developed and Committee members are taking responsibility for elements of the Plan.

As new systems are implemented, these will be communicated to members.

Web-Site

The new-look BUH web-site is up and running at www.boltonunitedharriers.co.uk.

What the Committee, and especially Webmaster Kaan Rassad, are now looking for is constructive feedback and comment. If you have some thoughts on this, please pass your ideas to webmaster@boltonunitedharriers.co.uk.

A small sub-committee plans to meet within the next couple of weeks to further enhance the mapping of the web-site and improve the functionality.



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Other Items

Paderborn

The Committee has been informed that Jayne Dickinson & Daryl Bentley have taken the lead in organising a team to represent BUH in Bolton's Twin Town event at Paderborn (7th April 2012). An e-mail will be circulated to all members in relation to this.

Fixtures and Performances

BAL Cup, Derby, 10th September – Men's team won on 4th place count-back. Ladies competed also.

Northern Athletics 6 Stage, 17th September – Team finished 19th, qualified for nationals

Interclub Championships, 18th September – Club was well represented.

CLGP Swinton 10 mile, 25th September – 19 participated; Good results

Gin Pit 5 mile, 2nd October – didn't get the required 18 runners for this event.

Athlete of the Month

Seamus Walker – who achieved a very creditable 3rd overall in the CLGP Swinton 10 mile

Ben Scott nominated – for his excellent performance in the CLGP Swinton 10 mile

Volunteer of the Month

Alice Gardner – who has been helping out with supervising Gwylim's group and has also been assisting Ian Wallis.

Date of Next Committee Meeting

Monday 7th November 2011

If you have any questions or queries about items raised in this Newsletter, or the work of the Bolton United Harriers Committee in general, please contact:

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