

KCAA AGM - 25th November 2019, Dartford Club House

Attendees

<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Representing</u>
Claire Capon	KCAA President	Charlotte Bates	Maidstone Harriers
Gary Capon	KCAA Executive	Catey Bowles	Maidstone Harriers
Tony Durey	KCAA Executive	Diane Capon	Dartford Harriers
Gill Freeman	KCAA Executive	Brian Charlton	Medway & Maidstone AC
Mick Paul	KCAA Treasurer	Richard Dunstan	Petts Wood
David Ralph	KCAA Chairman	John Freeman	Bexley AC
Siân Thomas	KCAA Executive	Tony Garrett	Bexley AC
		Graham Holder	Past President
		Anoushka Johnson	Central Park Athletics
		Jon Kennedy	Dartford Harriers
		Dave Maynard	Cambridge Harriers
		James Mead	Maidstone Harriers
		Linda Neeves	Medway and Maidstone AC
		Phil Pape	Cambridge Harriers
		Marjorie Sawyer	Past President

Apologies

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David Cordell	KCAA Executive	Stella Bando	Coaching
		Ann Czarnowski	Tonbridge AC
		Jan Duffin	Sportshall
		Mick Duffin	Paddock Wood AC

Sarah Kenyon	Medway and Maidstone AC
Karen Winfield	Bexley AC Bromley Veterans Larkfield AC Mote Runners Thanet Roadrunners AC

Welcome, introductions and previous minutes

David Ralph (chairman) opened the proceedings. He welcomed so many attendees, introduced the Exec Committee members and gave apologies (listed above).

All present stood to remember Ken Gilbert.

David recalled that at the first awards dinner in 2012 3 awards winners also featured in this years awards. Dina, Adam and Claire. All are active on tracks in Kent.

Following the previous AGM, where Alan **Bennett** stepped down as secretary but did not attend, he was presented with a bowl and David pointed out that it was 8 years rather than 6 years as secretary - which was what was reported at the AGM in 2018.

It was noted that Sian has taken the minutes throughout the year, and might take over a slimmed down secretary role.

It was noted that the Kent leagues have done incredibly well, while there has been a small reduction in the size of the Kent Champs. Managed to squeeze a fourth meeting in for Kent Young Athletes League (KYAL) in 2020. Of course, we cannot run any of these events without officials. Thanks to clubs that provide officials - this is necessary to ensure that events can run. Sometimes finding officials is tricky - but where we were short at the Combined Events a call on Facebook was highly successful.

Thanks for all of the Kent representatives that are active in the sport - it is these individuals that make sure Kent is always well thought of.

Those present approved the minutes of the 2019 AGM without any amendments.

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

Annual report

Annual Report from the Chairman and secretaries of committees was highlighted (attached) and questions were welcomed.

Q1 - hosting Senior Inter-Counties T&F - what will happen? It is Herts turn to host. They have withdrawn. Unless someone offers to take it on there may be no future event.

Finance report

- Schedule of promotions
- Surplus on XC despite choosing to use chip timing
- 3000m and 10000m - deficit as a consequence of paying for photo finish.
- Refunds from cancelled Combined Events / U13 champs from previous year
- Cost of hosting Inter-Counties cost the county in excess of £2000
- Deficit on the year was for the Senior Intercounties.

Overall, the Counties finances are in good order.

Q2 - stated that deficit is related to medals and centres - whereas this is the same as last year. Mick explained that there is surplus stock and so we do not expect such a high expenditure in future.

The finance report was approved unanimously.

The Treasurer thanked Peter Lenton for examining the accounts. Peter is happy to continue as independent examiner. All present were in agreement.

Election of Officers

Mick has been doing this for 29 years, **David for 10 years.**

Sian joined Exec last year. Will take nominations. Sian was nominated to take on the role as secretary and Mick and David to remain as Treasurer and Chairman. There was unanimous support for re-election of committee secretaries.

Jan Duffin asked for those present to note that Mick Botha will join the Sportshall committee.

Walks judges: it was noted that Noel does a great job of getting judges for this.

Executive - Julie Roe was nominated as a new member of the Executive. Her contribution is welcomed.

David - as acting secretary - asked to highlight:

6 coaches and 19 athletes had attended course organised by coaching and Stella Bando (Coaching Secretary) had been appointed onto the South East regional council.

AOB / Questions

Q3 Phil Pape: on behalf of Cambs Harriers - XC league - most races are in one area - why can't we mirror the Kent Fitness League. Pay less attention to car parking? Norman Park was just like running round a playing field.

Tony Dury (Cross Country secretary) noted that the practicalities of car parking are real. Norman Park - is a flat and 'boring' course. But we need parking for up to 600 cars. People need parking, and in the league they need parking for parents and all of the age groups.

Q4 Phil Pape: on behalf of Cambs Harriers - Track and Field champs - want more announcements / boards. Hard to track what is happening in the field.

Gill Freeman (Track and Field secretary) replied that in order to have a score-board more officials and more boards are needed. Coaches will be invited to manage score-boards at future championships but noting that there should be no coaching from in-field.

Keen to have announcers assistants in events - but this again needs more officials.

Q5 about efforts to increase 3k and 10k attendance. Specifically, the clash with the North Downs Run.

Numbers for 10k have been quite good - need to manage the numbers to about 30.

UKA dates schedule is used and County dates are fitted in around that. In future dates of Road Running events will be shared with Gary to try and avoid clashes.

Closed meeting at 2015.

Next AGM 23rd November.