

Colworth Striders Annual General Meeting 2014

**Bedford Arms, Souldrop
Friday 14th March 2014**

MINUTES

Present:

Mark Tinkler: Chairman
Trev Cook: Secretary
Tony Dadd: Treasurer
Richard Piron: President
Allan Davies: Vice President

Neil Loader, Andy Hoddle, Paul Hepburn, Sam Windebank, Stuart Trevallion, Dave Sheffield, Andrew Evans, Mike Statham, Bill Shingleton, Willie Young, Stuart Marshall, Alan Wooten, Antonio Franco.

Apologies:

Giles Rigarlsford.

Minutes of the 2013 AGM

These could not be accepted as a true record of the meeting as nobody could locate a copy of them. When they are found they will be circulated for confirmation.

Chairman's Address

Thank you all for attending this AGM
2013 has been another great year for the Striders

We had all our main events which were all well attended: Cross Country Race, Colworth Mile, Colworth 5 Relay, Colworth 8.

Thanks to Trev for running our monthly 1st Tuesday Time Trial Handicap
....and yourselves for participating.

We entered 2 Colworth Striders Relay Teams in the Thunder 24 hour race - which truly lived up to it's name with real Thunder and lightning - turning the course into a quagmire.

COLWORTH STRIDERS DOLLIES	21 x10km laps	23:59:36 coming 6th out of 20 five man teams of girls
COLWORTH STRIDERS MIXTURES	26 x10km laps	24:52:29 coming 35th out of 252 mixed 8 man teams

You can all sign up for this epic weekend again Sat/Sun July 26th-27th 2014

We again sent a squad to the Rotterdam Marathon in April and had the usual fantastic hospitality from our Dutch colleagues. But we are a bit depleted for this year's trip and can't defend the coveted 'Unilever Fastest Marathoner Trophy'. The marathon has sold out with 13,500 participants.

The Colworth Marathon Challenge Weekend was yet again well attended and exceptionally well organized. Thanks to you all for making the weekend the success that it's become and we look forward to your support in making it a fantastic success this June.

The amount we raised and given to charity over the Weekend is amazing: £7,500 directly plus more ARC, the netball club, bouncy castle, children's entertainers, Colworth Club beer profits, etc.

Mark Tinkler Chairman Colworth Striders

Marathon Challenge Report.

Included in the Chairman's address.

Treasurer's Report.

Looking healthy (the accounts, not the Treasurer).

Accounts are available to view on the [Str1ders Website](#).

The final balance contains an uncashed cheque to the St. John Ambulance. They appear to have taken comments made at the Trail 8.1 last year as a complaint rather than just a constructive statement.

A £1,000 contingency sum was retained for the MCW this year which has not been required.

By unanimous agreement, the accounts were adopted.

Election of Officers.

The Committee to remain as it is. Proposed by Mark Tinkler and seconded by Stuart Trevallion. Unanimously agreed.

2014 Events

Rotterdam, London Marathons, April

Colworth 5 Relay – it was agreed to try a midweek date this year to see if we get more entries – provisionally Wednesday 11th June.

MCW (Supremo for 2014 is Neil Loader) 20th to 22nd June.

Colworth 8 (May)

Handicap 5 (July)

Adidas Thunder Run 24Hr (26th and 27th July) – it was agreed to make this our primary team relay event this year and encourage as many as possible to take part.

Chip Butty Run (December)

Cross Country Race (January 2015)

Club Awards

Club Champion: Calculated by our one and only Time Lord, Trev Cook, from all sorts of events that Str1ders participate in over the year, excludes recent winners.

The 2013 Club Champion is Neil Loader

Str1ders Str1der of the Year – Nominations are:

Mark Tinkler	For continuing to run the Tues sessions even though he now drives miles to get here, and for putting his own times aside to support & run around races with other striders at their pace instead.
David Sheffield	For encouragement, motivation and completing his first marathon.
Andrew Evans	For his Ultra running and his qualification for the UTMB (Ultra-Trail du Mont Blanc).
Neil Loader	For taking on the Marathon Challenge organisation.
Mike Statham	For stripping off (top half) and going for a dip in the river during a very hot lunch time run right in front of 2 ladies having their picnic.

- Winner is: **Mark Tinkler**

Most Improved Str1der: Amy Briggs

The Alan Wooten Frisbee Award – Nominations are:

Andy Hoddle	What is the most stupid thing you can do to prepare for a marathon at the end of the year? Answer: 20 other marathons...
Alex "premature" Aldred	He did the Medoc Marathon last year and although the target time is 6:30, he undercut it by finishing prematurely at 6:27. His excuses that its difficult to get the timing right, with all the wine drinking, and the queues for entrecote and fois gras, just don't cut it...

Helen Woolley	Helen Wooley for numerous running related injuries including slipping on a tree root at 3am in p*ssing down rain on the Thunder run 2013!
Sam Windebank	For crocking herself for the Snowden marathon by over training and running 20 mile RNR legs when injured.
Tony Dadd	Traumatizing other runners from when he forgot his shorts so went for a run in his pants! For going the wrong way while carrying the real relay baton on the outskirts of Dover, and missing the changeover point. Also for being injured a lot this year, so must be doing something wrong (getting old)
Mike Statham	For stripping off (top half) and going for a dip in the river during a very hot lunch time run right in front of 2 ladies having their picnic. AND After many years absence from the shortlist, he made a return to his injury-prone ways

- Winner is: **Mike Statham**

AOB

1. Club Vests – Allan Davies asked if we could have new vests in the club colours for Striders taking part in events to wear. It was agreed that this was a good idea and that money should be made available for buying these which would be recouped (at least in part) by sales. David Sheffield rashly volunteered (and the photo finish narrowly showed Neil Loader proposing this with everyone else seconding it) to be kit monitor and to look at storage and sales of existing and new items.
2. Stuart Trevallion asked if we were still affiliated to the ARC. Yes, so events are covered for insurance.
3. Andy Hoddle mentioned that he would still like to hold a marathon at Colworth and it looked like ARC was the way to go for insurance, especially as he could group with other organisers for this.

There being no other business, the meeting closed as everybody rushed to get chips, sandwiches and chicken nuggets.