## **MINUTES**

## **Dartford and Whiteoak Triathlon Club**

Meeting Date: Wednesday 8th May 2019

Attended: Alison, Craig, Mark, Danny, Paul, Melody, Ralph, Heather

**Apologies:** Karin, James

## Minutes from last meeting-

Paul discussed the increased costs of renting the boat house from Dartford Borough Council and also the need for Sh2out accreditation.

Race entries were up and Heather was to order the race numbers.

Danny was to send out a mailshot with regard to the lake, the club race, familiarisation day, the Go Tri and the first Big Swim on 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

Danny is to set up on the website a list of events that people are doing this year.

Abi and Darren were to be approached about being the social secretaries for the club.

Word was just getting out about the Go Tri and swim training days would commence on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April.

**Agenda Topic:** Lake Safety for Children

**Discussion:** The safety information for children needs to be sent to attendees. James and Heather have agreed to deal with this agreement and get all the necessary measures in place.

**Proposed Action:** Heather wants something in writing with regard to the safeguarding of children in order that we follow the correct policy and procedure. Heather and James are to sort this out together as soon as possible.

Agenda Topic: Club Race – Sunday 9th June

**Discussion:** Craig would like to purchase new hats for the race as he believes they need replacing and can we also have commemorative 30<sup>th</sup> year hats to give away?

Marshal positions are to be sorted.

All preparations for the race must be in place.

Preparations for the Go Tri must also be in place.

**Proposed Action:** Craig has purchased new swim hats for the race from his own money, together with 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary hats to be given away to competitors and hopefully club members. The medals and race numbers have been ordered.

The race so far has 42 standard entries and 129 sprint entries.

The race will be accepting entries on the day for the sprint with competitors paying an extra £2. On the day entries for the standard is still to be decided but if this goes ahead there will be an extra £5 charged.

Paul has been contacting the members re availability to marshal. Alison will help.

Craig has agreed to host the after party as long as it doesn't rain!

The Go Tri now has 15 entrants. Entries on the day will be accepted at £15.

Craig will do registration from 6.30am from his camper van and John Setford has agreed to help with racking, which will be at the back of the pool near where the competitors exit. Dave B will be doing the timing from an app. Medals are to be given out and possibly a prize?

Both Paul and John are qualified first aiders.

Marshals will be needed for the bike route and water will be needed for the park.

Whiteoak to be contacted re early opening.

**Agenda Topic:** Southwater Relays

**Discussion:** What is the up to date situation with regard to Southwater?

**Proposed Action:** Entries are open at a cost of £41.66. No teams will be entered until the competitors have paid. The cut off date will be 20<sup>th</sup> June. Mark will email to see what the interest is.

**Agenda Topic:** Raffle

**Discussion:** Not as successful as hoped (maybe one last push?) and then a date for the draw will need to be decided.

**Proposed Action:** This will now be split into three. [just noticed today (15<sup>th</sup> May) was supposed to be the first draw. I will take the raffle tickets to Grafham for one final push and then the first draw will be next Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – any objection – let me know] the next draws will be on 12<sup>th</sup> June and 10<sup>th</sup> July.

Agenda Topic: Wetsuits in the lake

Discussion: Is it compulsory for wetsuits to be worn in the lake? What is the club's position on this?

**Proposed Action:** It is not compulsory but it is not currently in the paperwork. Craig will contact Tina to cover ourselves but Sh2out accreditation will probably insist the water temperature is above 11 degrees.

Julie has agreed to not charge for kayaking on Saturdays.

**Agenda Topic:** The next 6 months

**Discussion:** What things do we need to be doing within the next six months?

**Proposed Action:** There will be a pre race meeting on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.** The post race meeting will be held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June which is a scheduled committee meeting anyway but the sole agenda will be the race.

Can we do a late season race at the lido?

**AOB:** Pool swim coach sessions have gone well – can we do more internally?

There have been 5 trial memberships taken up and 3 open water memberships.

Monica will look into a Christmas party venue.

Heather was to look into waivers for the lake inductions.

Next committee Wednesday 12th June 2019