

MINUTES of the TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, held at "THE OLD  
CONTEMPTIBLE INN", EDMUND STREET, BIRMINGHAM, on the 28th. September 1953 .  
with the President (T. H. Jones, Halesowen A.C.) 6 Past Presidents, 2 Vice-  
Presidents and 25 delegates present.

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 23rd.  
September 1952, were duly read, confirmed and signed by the President.

Apologies were received from J. Mc.Kenna., A.A.Post., J.A.  
Hughes, N. Mann, C. Willcox.

The Statement of Accounts - a copy of which had been  
circulated - was presented by the Secretary. This shewed a balance in  
hand of £23-16-7. The accounts were adopted. A motion ?-

"That the thanks of the meeting be <sup>accorded</sup> ~~extended~~ to Mr. E. W.  
Lindsay, for his services as Hon. Auditor"

was carried unanimously. Mr. Lindsay suitably responded.

The President then gave a brief summary of the season's  
activities, thanked all Clubs for their support and wished them a  
successful season.

Officials were then elected for the season 1953/1954 as  
follows :-

President - W. E. Harrison. (Walsall A.C.)

Vice-Presidents - T.W.Adey, G.I.Batten; G.H.Chalker; C.A.Fletcher;  
F.E.Hurdley; J.McKeown; Professor F. Morton;  
L. Richards; J. Sandbrook; W. Walker.

Secretary & Treasurer H. Smith.  
Asst. do S.A. Wright.  
Auditor. E.W. Lindsay.

Application for membership was submitted by Cheltenham and County Harriers. The Club was duly elected to membership and placed in Division III.

Fixtures were arranged as follows :-

	DIVISION I	DIVISION II	DIVISION III
Oct. 4.	Halesowen	Smethwick	West Bromwich
Nov. 28	Wolverhampton	Stourbridge	Harborne
Dec. 19	Small Heath	Birmingham Univ.	Worcester
Jan. 23	Lozells	Coseley	Walsall.

The question of a league, medals etc. ~~was~~ for Youths was considered at great length. Several proposals were made and several amendments thereto, Eventually a proposal :-

"That youths should have their own race in each Division, prior to the Senior Race; that each race be recorded and timed; and that all to be included in the Race Result Sheets"

was finally agreed.

The question of the election of all officials for all league races was brought forward, and after discussion it was resolved :-

"That the Referee and Race Secretary be appointed at the A.G.M. and the Secretary of the promoting Club should arrange for the remainder."

In this connection, officials were appointed as follows :-

Division I	Referee	C.C. Austin.	Secretary. S.B. Chilton
II	Referee	G.McKeown.	Secretary E.A. Wright
III	Referee	A.G.Cannon.	Secretary A.J. Peace.

A proposal that Past Presidents be presented with a silver league medal suitably inscribed, was not adopted.

The newly elected President - W. E. Harrison (Walsall A.C.) again thanked the Delegates for the honour they had done him in his election as President. He hoped for a good season and that there would be keen competition in each Division.

This ended the meeting.

*W. E. Harrison*

BIRMINGHAM & DISTRICT INVITATION CROSS-COUNTRY LEAGUE  
Affiliated to M.C.A.C.C.A.

President: W. E. HARRISON (Walsall A.C.)

Hon. Secretary & Treasurer:

H. SMITH

1 Meryhurst Road,  
Wednesbury.

Hon. Asst. Secretary & Treasurer:

S. A. WRIGHT.

13th September 1954

Dear Sir,

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the League will be held at  
THE CROWN HOTEL, CORPORATION STREET, BIRMINGHAM, on THURSDAY,  
23rd SEPTEMBER 1954, at 7.15 p.m.

I trust you will make a special effort to be present.

Yours faithfully,

H. SMITH

Hon. Secretary & Treasurer.

A G E N D A

1. To confirm Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on 28th September 1953
2. Matters arising
3. Apologies
4. To receive Statement of Accounts
5. To receive Annual Report
6. Election of Officials
7. Applications for Membership
8. Fixtures
9. Date of A.G.M. 1955.

BIRMINGHAM & DISTRICT INVITATION CROSS-COUNTRY LEAGUE  
Affiliated to M.C.A.C.C.A.

President: W. E. Harrison (Walsall A.C.)

Hon. Secretary & Treasurer : H. Smith

Hon. Asst. Secretary & Treasurer : S. A. Wright.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 1953-1954

<u>INCOME</u>	£.	s.	d.	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	£.	s.	d.
Cash in hand 18/9/53	23	16	7	Medals	41	8	-
President and Vice- Presidents' Donations:				Affiliation Fee M.C.A.C.C.A.	1	1	-
W.E.Harrison 1. 1. 0.				Numbers and Pins	4	15	6
C.I.Batten 1. 1. 0.				Printing & Stationery	11	6	-
C.A.Wright 10. 6.				Hon. Sec's. Honorarium	1	1	-
J.Sandbrook 10. 0.	3	2	6	Postages		19	2
Club Race Collections and Donations:				Bank Charges		5	-
Wolverhampton H. 1.15. 0.				Cash in hand		1	2
Small Heath 1.10. 0.				Cash in Bank	30	-	8
Halesowen 2. 0. 0.							
Lozells - - -							
Smethwick 1. 0. 0.							
Stourbridge 1. 5. 6.							
B'ham University 2. 7. 3.							
Coseley 3. 1. 6.							
West Bromwich 1. 7. 8.							
Harborne 1.12. 6.							
Walsall 2.10. 0.	13	9	5				
Result Sheets	9	-	6				
Medals	3	15	-				
Numbers	5	7	6				
Affiliation Fees	27	6	-				
	90	17	6		90	17	6

Audited and found correct  
 E. W. Lindsey,  
 Hon. Auditor.

21st September 1954.

BIRMINGHAM & DISTRICT INVITATION CROSS-COUNTRY LEAGUE  
Affiliated to M.C.A.C.C.A.

President: J. SANDEROOK (Wolverhampton Harriers)

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Hon. Secretary & Treasurer:

H. SMITH

1 Meryhurst Road,  
Wednesbury.

Hon. Asst. Secretary & Treasurer:

S. A. WRIGHT

6th September 1955.

Dear Sir,

The ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the League will be held at The Crown Hotel, Corporation Street, Birmingham, on Friday, 23rd September 1955, at 7.30 p.m.

I trust you will make a special effort to be present.

Yours faithfully,

H. SMITH,

Hon. Secretary & Treasurer.

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MINUTES of the TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, held at "THE CROWN HOTEL, CORPORATION STREET, BIRMINGHAM, on the 23rd. September 1954, with 2 Past Presidents, 3 Vice-Presidents and 27 delegates present.

In the unavoidable absence of the President, Mr. S. A. Wright Past President took the chair.

The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 28th. September 1953 were read, confirmed, and signed by the Chairman.

APOLOGIES were received from F/O Grisdale, C.A. Wright,  
*W. H. Gilbert, R. Dames, E. Hardwick, J. P. Jones,  
J. King, J. Lee, E. Dalton.*

The Statement of Accounts (a copy of which was circulated) was presented by the Secretary and shewed a balance in hand of £30-1-10. The accounts were adopted and a motion that :

"The thanks of the meeting be accorded to Mr. E. W. Lindsey for his services as Hon. Auditor."

was carried unanimously. Mr. Lindsey suitably responded.

The Secretary in a brief report surveyed season 1953/54 and paid tribute to the work put in by the promoting clubs, referees, race secretaries, timekeepers, recorders, umpires etc. in fact all ~~ex~~ who had rendered assistance in the races.

OFFICIALS were then elected for season 1954/55 as follows :-

PRESIDENT.	J. Sandbrook (Wolverhampton Harriers)
VICE-PRESIDENTS.	A. Brown, F. A. Devey, G.I. Batten, C.A.Fletcher, E. Hurdley, Professor Morton, L. Richards.
SECRETARY & TREASURER.	H. Smith.
Asst. do	A. A. Wright.
HON. AUDITOR.	E. W. Lindsey
DELEGATES TO M.C.A.C.C.A.	A. Wroe, H. Smith.

FIXTURES were arranged as follows :-

	DIVISION I	Division II	Division III
Nov. 6	Lozells	Stourbridge	Bridgnorth
27	Birchfields	Wolverhampton	Cheltenham
Jan. 8	Tipton	St. Gregory's	Dudley
29	Coventry	Halesowen	Sparkhill

A proposal put forward by Mr. Lapworth - Coventry Godiva Harriers - that new numbers be used for each race and be paid for by the promoting club was adopted.

The question of youths races, medals etc. was thoroughly discussed. Several propositions and amendments being made and it was ultimately decided to continue to stage a youths race prior to each league race, properly timed, recorded, and included on race result sheets as at present.



The Secretary reported that the President (Mr. W. E. Harrison) had presented a trophy for Division II. It needed slight repair and engraving, for which he would pay. Mr. Harrison stated that he did not want the trophy ~~named~~ to bear his name and would leave the naming to the meeting. Several suggestions were put forward but it was felt that the trophy should bear his name and <sup>it</sup> ~~this~~ was proposed this should be put to him.

A proposal was made to stage a Veterans Race. After discussion it was decided to defer this matter for 12 months.

After thanking delegates for their attendance and wishing the clubs good racing, the Chairman closed the meeting.

September 23rd. 1955

BIRMINGHAM & DISTRICT INVITATION CROSS-COUNTRY LEAGUE

Affiliated to M.C.A.C.C.A.

President: J. Sandbrook (Wolverhampton H.)

Hon. Secretary & Treasurer : H. Smith

Hon. Asst. Secretary & Treasurer : S. A. Wright.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS 1954-1955

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>£.</u>	<u>s.</u>	<u>d.</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>£.</u>	<u>s.</u>	<u>d.</u>
Cash in hand 20/9/54	30	1	10	Medals	25	4	-
President and Vice- Presidents' Donations:				Affiliation Fee M.C.A.C.C.A.	1	1	-
J. Sandbrook Esq. 1.1.0.				Numbers and Pins	10	10	-
C.A.Wright Esq. 10.6.	1	11	6	Printing & Stationery	11	15	10
Club Race Collections and Donations:				Postages		19	4
Lozells H. 2.5.0.				Cash at Bank	34	5	10
Hirchfields H. 2.2.6.				Cash in hand	2	13	6
Coventry Godiva H.1.5.0.							
Wolverhampton H. 10.0.							
Halesowen A.C. 1.10.0.							
Stourbridge 1.10.2.							
Dudley 1.7.6.	10	10	2				
Result Sheets	9	10	8				
Medals	5	13	-				
Numbers	9	3	4				
Affiliation Fees	19	19	-				
	86	9	6		86	9	6

Audited and found correct  
E. W. Lindsey,  
Hon. Auditor.

22nd September 1955.

*J. E. Sandbrook*  
*Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> / 55*

Minutes of the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting,  
held at the Crown Hotel, Corporation Street,  
Birmingham on the 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1955  
with the President, 8 Past Presidents, 2 Vice Presidents  
and 52 delegates present.

The Minutes of the AGM on the  
23<sup>rd</sup> September 1954 were read, confirmed  
& signed by the President.

Apologies were received from Messrs Cox,  
Stumpage, Lees, White.

The Statement of accounts, a copy of  
which was circulated, showed a balance  
in hand of £36.19.4. The accounts were  
adopted and a motion that

"The thanks of the meeting be accorded  
to Mr E. W. Lindsey for his services  
as Hon Auditor" was carried  
unanimously. Mr Lindsey suitably  
responded.

In a brief report the Secretary  
surveyed Bason 1954/5, and paid tribute to  
all who had given assistance in the  
promotion & running of the races. The full  
facts were also presented regarding  
Bullerham & County Racers running  
men who were not first class members  
of that Club. A delegate of that Club  
had certain observations to make, but the  
meeting was unanimous in the decision that

all runners taking part in the League Competition must be first class members of that Club.

The question of the youths race was again discussed and it was decided to run these with the League. Races the same as last season.

Officials were then elected as follows

President L. S. Dunsley. Harbour St.

V.P. A. Richards, J. N. Chilton, G. A. Fisher,  
J. Ellis, E. Lindsay.

Secretary & Treas. A. Smith  
Asst. do P. A. Wright.  
Hon. Sec. E. W. Lindsay.

Del. to W.C.C.C.A. G. Smith, W. W. Moe.

Fixtures were then arranged as follows

Designations K. H. F. Ludgworth

Officers for membership B. J. N. Rugby, Kidderminster 6th.  
Evesham Leamington  
P. R. S. F. Malvern

These were all elected