

THE FELL RUNNERS ASSOCIATION LIMITED

Minutes of the annual general meeting of the company held at Moorside Grange Hotel and Spa, Mudhurst Lane, Higher Disley, Cheshire SK12 2AP on Saturday 17 November 2012 at 4.00 pm.

1. **Members present:** 33 in person, 3 by proxy. **Apologies:** 7.
2. **Minutes of the 2011 FRA annual general meeting.** It was resolved that the minutes of the last annual general meeting of the Fell Runners Association (“Old FRA”) (8 October 2011 at Chapel Stile Village Hall, Langdale) be approved.
3. **Joint Report prepared on behalf of the Chairman and General Secretary.** This report had been made available in advance of the meeting. Copies were also available. The report was taken as read. There were no questions. It was resolved that the report be approved.
4. **Treasurer’s report.** This report was distributed at the meeting. (Also distributed for those members present were the accounts for Old FRA for the period from 1 August 2011 to 31 December 2011. These latter accounts were for information, not approval. Both the notice of the meeting and the Treasurer’s report indicated why there were no accounts of the company available for approval by members. The Treasurer took the meeting through the salient points of her report. The company remains in a sound financial situation. It was resolved that the report be approved.
5. **Election of Officers and the Executive Committee.**
 - a) The Chairman noted the retirement of Margaret Chippendale as Fixtures Secretary. Many members would regard the Fixtures Secretary as the most important member of the committee. Margaret had performed this role for many years with great skill and thoroughness and every member of both Old FRA and the company owed her a considerable debt of gratitude.
 - b) **Officers.** The following Officers were **elected unopposed**. Chairman – Madeleine Watson. Secretary – Morgan Williams. Assistant Secretary – office vacant. Treasurer – Andy Watts. Membership Secretary – Pete Bland. Fixtures Secretary – Andy Butler. Championships Coordinator – Jonathan Broxap. Environment and Access – Chris Knox. Magazine Editor - Britta Sendlhofer. Website Officer – Brett Weeden. International Selection Committee Chair – office vacant. Coaching Co-ordinator - Graeme Woodward. Welfare Officer - Rod Sutcliffe. FRA Representative to the UK Athletics Mountain Running Advisory Group - Alan Barlow. Statistician – Mark Hobson. Junior Co-ordinator – Duncan Richards.

The Chairman noted that since formal notice of the meeting had been communicated the nomination of Anne Buckley as International selection Committee Chair had been withdrawn.
 - c) **Club Representatives.** There were four advance nominations. The following were **elected unopposed**: Mike Robinson (Dark Peak), Andrew Schofield (Borrowdale), Alan Brentnall (Pennine) and Nick Harris (Rossendale).
 - d) **Membership Representatives.** Four nominations had been received prior to the meeting. In addition Andy Howie (Pennine) was nominated at the meeting by Roger Ashby. The Chairman noted that in the circumstances he had the

authority of Ross Powell to withdraw his nomination as a Member Representative and this was done. That left four nominees for the four available posts and so the following were **elected unopposed:** Andy Walmsley (Bowland), Andy Howie (Pennine), Thirza Hyde (Calder Valley) and Graham Breeze (Ikley Harriers).

- 6. Election of auditor.** The treasurer proposed and it was resolved that Mike Welford be elected as auditor.
- 7. Close.** The Chairman then closed the meeting. As usual, there was an open discussion on fell running matters after the formal business was complete.