



## **East Essex Triathlon Club**

### **Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2024**

#### **In attendance: -**

Ben Brooks, Charlotte Brooks, Sue Fuller, Paul Gribbon, Mike Shean, Zena Shean, Jenny Harley, Jo Phelps, Jack Martin, Laura Mason, Chris Muers, Matthew Dodd and Ian George.

#### **Apologies received from: -**

Gemma Kemp, Mike Grout, Liz Payne and Toby Knight

#### **Matters arising from the last Committee Meeting**

Zena raised the issue of members of the public using our running lanes during the Tuesday evening track session at BSV. IG to try to arrange a meeting with Kathryn Davies.

#### **Basildon Aquathlon**

IG suggested either the 6<sup>th</sup> or the 13<sup>th</sup> April for the Aquathlon although IG will need to check if the pool will be open as it is due to close in April for maintenance. We did discuss the possibility of doing the Aquathlon at an alternative venue, however even though the costs at BSV had been rising and were significantly more expensive we all agreed that the venue worked well, and we still make a reasonable return. We would agree the entry fee at the next committee meeting once the date had been agreed.

#### **Kids Triathlon**

IG suggested any Saturday in June for the kid's triathlon although again IG will need to check if the pool will be open as it is due to close in April for maintenance. We would agree the entry fee at the next committee meeting once the date had been agreed.

#### **Grays Triathlon**

Trisport Essex had been in touch about organising a sprint distance triathlon after their Try-a-Tri instead of the Grays triathlon, however everyone unanimously agreed to keep the Grays race given the history, although we all agreed that it needed to be better advertised to try and get more participants.

We all provisionally agreed a date of the 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2025. The Southend Triathlon is scheduled for the 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2025 so we will avoid a clash with this race, although no date had been set as yet for the Gosfield Triathlon. We all agreed that this event (and our other events) should be better published and distributing leaflets at various local Parkruns would be a good idea.

Mike to contact Blackshots to check the pool is available.

### **Awards Evening**

Everyone agreed that for 2024 we needed an event that was not as formal as the Rayleigh Club but more formal than the Cricket Club. It was suggested that Westcliff Rugby Club would be a good idea, and Laura was going to contact them about having our event there. The 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 was suggested as a possible date. Depending on the cost, it would be hoped that the Club can contribute to the cost.

### **Financial Update**

Paul kindly provided a brief financial update and commented that our finances were on track and in line with expectations. All our races made the Club a reasonable profit.

### **Any other business**

IG said that 2025 would be his last year as Chairman, having taken this role on in 2016, 10 years would be a good time to pass the responsibility on to someone else. IG said he would be happy to stay on the committee as race Director for the Basildon Aquathlon and the Kids Triathlon.

### **Date of next meeting**

Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2024 and IG was to speak to Andy Rouyer-Brown about having the next meeting at 7 pm at Runnymede instead.