

VETERANS ATHLETIC CLUB

Affiliated to England Athletics, SoEAA, SCAA, RWA, BMAF & EAMA

President: Anna Garnier

Secretary: Ros Tabor

VAC COMMITTEE MEETING, 18 MARCH 2021 (HELD VIA ZOOM)

SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS

1. Members' Welfare

The deaths of Mary Worth and Dave Stevens were reported. Obituaries would be posted on the VAC website.

2. Finances

The Treasurer reported that the club's cash balance was broadly unchanged in recent months.

3. Secretary

The Secretary would write to clubs which had more than ten VAC members and ask them to nominate someone who would be a contact for masters athletics and promote VAC's events.

A VAC Committee member would join the forthcoming online meeting of the England Athletics London Regional Council in order to raise the profile of VAC and issues such as fixture clashes and the shortage of officials for T&F meetings.

4. Track & Field

VAC's track and field meeting at Lee Valley will no longer be held on 18 April because of a fixture clash. It will hopefully be rescheduled. Monthly track and field opportunities for VAC members are planned during the spring and summer, maybe in conjunction with other meetings. VAC's 5,000m and 10,000m championships will be arranged for the Battersea Park track in the summer.

5. Road Races

The first Battersea Park road race of the summer series will be held on 4 May, with a limit of 100 entrants and the start in waves. Entry for the May event would be free for VAC members. The May and June events will be 5k, but 5-mile races are planned for July and August. It is hoped to offer race walks as part of the races.

The BMAF Half Marathon championships at Redhill on 18 July will be used as a VAC championship race.

6. Cross Country

It is hoped to arrange a trail race for VAC members on Wimbledon Common during the summer. Consideration will be given to joining in with one of the Thames Hare & Hounds Second Sunday events starting at the Richardson-Evans playing fields.

7. Membership

There are currently 530 paid up members. The discounted subscription rate of £10 would revert to £12 on 1 April.

8. Next Meeting

The next committee meeting will be held on 27 May 2021.