

The Westie

WRC - The friendly running club

MEMBERS E-BULLETIN

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We start with some sad news. Attached is Ray Graham's tribute to our former member, Glenn O'Hara who sadly passed away recently. Our thoughts are with Glenn's family, especially as, I understand, he leaves a widow and a young son.

All Things Westbourne: We welcome three new members to the Westie family this month:

- Tracy Gill-Parker
- Gus Neesom
- Ben Tainish-Griffiths

All three have run with the club on Wednesdays and Thursdays for varying lengths of times and I think all three are keen to take part in the local race scene, so we will get the chance to meet them soon. Thanks to all the Westies that have made newcomers feel welcome on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

The Annual General Meeting: I will type up the full minutes in the next week or so, but in the meantime some edited highlights.

- With no alternative candidates, the committee were re-elected en bloc.
- The Financial Report was accepted by the meeting and it was agreed the 2022/3 fees will be £26 for full affiliated members and £10 for second claim and unaffiliated members. In addition it was agreed that 2021/2 full members who renew will benefit from a £5 rebate.
- The proposal in respect of club kit was voted on in two parts. The proposal to amend the description of club kit in the constitution was carried unanimously. The wording in respect of wearing club kit was changed on the evening to read "Club kit should be worn by first claim members of Westbourne Running Club participating in any EA competitive event." and, as amended, was carried unanimously.
- The proposal in respect of adding non-affiliated membership as an additional category of membership with effect from the 2022/3 club year was carried unanimously.
- Peter Doughty explained that his proposal in respect of a change to Club Championship scoring system would be effective for the 2022 Season onwards if approved. The proposal was carried with one abstention and no votes against. Liz Dyle has already amended the 2022 Championship table on the website to reflect the new scoring basis.

A quick update from the kit sub-committee following the Club's AGM. Members were able to examine samples of kit from 3 potential suppliers at the AGM. Comment sheets were available and we are grateful to those of you who provided us with useful feedback. As a result, one company has been eliminated. There was lots of positive reaction to the quality of the samples from the other two suppliers. Comments such as "material feels really nice" "edging (seams) feel really smooth" and "lovely material" were made.

Of course it's one thing to assess a shirt in a pub, it's another to establish how it performs in the "real world". We've therefore had several members road testing the products from the 2 remaining contenders. Thanks to these people for their vital input. We do now have a clear leader and the sub-committee will make their recommendations very shortly. We may need to clarify the details with the supplier to dot the i's and cross the t's but we are nearly there!

The design itself has been agreed following the survey of members back in December. Images are attached. The good news is that the design has just been approved by UK Athletics so we are cleared for launch.

We'll let you know the ordering process shortly but in the meantime, you might like to think about whether you want to buy a vest, a T-shirt or perhaps both. The maximum prices should be £24.90 for the vest and £29.90 for the T shirt.

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The Limerick Competition: The winners (and all the entrants) are in the latest issue of Notes from the Green and White Army.

Website Updates: Liz has tried to update everyone's PB's, mainly using the RunBritain website so not all races/ members are shown. Please have a look and let Liz know of any errors and if there are can you send her a link to show the correct race times. If you need the 2022 website password, please contact Liz or Clive.

The 2022 Off Road Series: Apologies that it is taken a wee while, but here are the 2022 Off Road Series events. It works like the main championship but it is five events to count from the eight and there are no marathon points. The scoring system is the same as for the main championship:

DATE	RACE
26/02/22	Tyrrell Trail 10K (Hope Rising 10K)
05/03/22	Larmer 10M
10/04/22	Ooser HM
23/04/22	Square and Compass Quarterish
19/06/22	Coombe Keynes 10K (the Lulworth Castle 10K as was)
24/07/22	Durberville Dash 10K
23/10/22	Hellstone 10K
30/10/22	The Stickler

As with any list some people's picks get left out and I can only apologise if your favourite is missing. If it is any consolation, in the event of a cancellation the back up list includes Colmers Hill 10k, Tarrant Valley 10K, The Stinger 10 and one of the Go Beyond NF Trail runs. If that sounds a lot of options, if 2021 taught us anything it is that you can predict what date or distance might get cancelled from the original list. I've attempted to minimise clashes with the main Championships (D'Urberville is a deliberate overlap) and the DRRL but it isn't practical to avoid clashes all together.

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UP AND COMING (Please also see emails and Facebook updates)

NEXT WRC CHAMPS RACES	NEXT ORS RACES	NEXT DRRL RACES	TRAINING AND SOCIAL RUNS	SOCIAL ETC
13/02/22 Lytchett 10	26/02/22 Hope Rising 10K	06/02/22 Blackmore Vale HM 13/02/22 Lytchett 10	<p><u>Training and and Social Runs</u></p> <p>Hills – 02/02/22 and then every other Wednesday at 7pm at Bournemouth Pier</p> <p>Looping back run – alternate Weds/Thurs at 7pm by the Durley Inn</p> <p>Monthly Monday Run – ??/01/22 Route TBA</p> <p>Social Sundays - non race weekends only – 9.30am usually starting from Tuckton Tea Rooms</p>	??/02/22 parkrun social To be advised