ROAD RECORDS ASSOCIATION SPRING NEWSLETTER 2012

AGM and Luncheon 2012

The AGM was held at Harding's of Aylesbury College, February 2012, at 11.00am.

There were 7 Life Members, 6 Private Members. 12 Club Delegates attending and 16 apologies received. Proposition to change Rule 6.02 was withdrawn, all other propositions were accepted and passed. The Luncheon was attended by 67 members and friends. David Duffield was guest speaker. Paul Mace replied on behalf of Record Breakers.

Ralph Dadswell and Paul Mace were the only recipients of Record Certificates.

There were six End—End Record breakers present.

OBITUARIES

It has been reported that past member Alec Wingrave passed away recently.

RECORD BREAKING

Two new members to the Association, Emma Williams and Natalie Creswick hope to attempt the Women's Land's End to John o'Groats tandem record this year. I am sure that all members will wish them every success.

OUTSTANDING SUBS

If your subs are outstanding, you will have received a reminder by e-mail or post - please be kind enough to send your subs to Tim.

Please note that if you pay 4 years subs, then the 5th year is free. This saves you money, and reduces the effort and costs for the RRA

Yet again there is a promised increase to postal charges this year. To keep subs at their present low level the Committee would ask any Members or clubs who have not yet signed up to receive news by e-mail to please consider it.

TIMEKEEPERS, OBSERVERS, COURSE MEASURERS

The current lists of Timekeepers, Observers and Course Measurers is getting rather short.

The Committee would like to invite Members to apply for any of these positions.

Perhaps some of you know of someone, not in the RRA, but very able to do either job. We are particularly interested in trying to find some new people to fill these places. Please note that the job of Observer Can often entail following and reporting on a record attempt at all times, as well as just the start and finish. It is not the same as a Checker, who would normally be at the road-side.

HANDBOOK UPDATES

Enclosed with this newsletter to all Members, or sent separately if you are on email. Please note that page 78, London York, is included because an omission was found.

ALL MEMBERS AND CLUBS

If you move, have a new phone number, change of club secretary or Treasurer, or new e-mail address, **please remember** to notify the Gen. Sec.

THE WAY FORWARD

The Committee are ever mindful of the need to try and 'promote' the RRA, and increase membership. With this in mind they would like to ask all clubs with a website if they would be kind enough to add a link to the RRA. It is appreciated that some clubs already do this, but it would help if all clubs had a link. It would also be useful if clubs could add the newsletter to their website occasionally

Do we need all the Records on the books? During David Duffield's speech at the luncheon, he suggested that we should close some of our Records and only keep a few on the books. With to-days traffic problems, some Records may be *'impossible'*. Is it time to 'retire' some Records and have just a few

'core' Records and even some new ones?

Your ideas and thoughts would be appreciate, please send them to the Gen. Sec.

NEWSLETTER & AGM by E-MAIL

The RRA is keen to communicate with its membership by e-mail. Many thanks to all those who have already signed up to receive the newsletter electronically. You are all helping to make my job easier as Gen. Sec. If you would be prepared to receive communications in this way. which could also include items relating to the AGM, plus the added bonus of receiving record attempt updates as they take place, you are encouraged to contact the secretary at the e-mail address below. E-mail allows a quicker and more efficient service, but is quite optional, and the paper alternative is still available.

IF YOU WISH TO BE ADDED TO THE LIST WILL YOU PLEASE E-MAIL THE GENERAL SECRETARY AT:brianedrupt@blueyonder.co.uk

RRA website.

This has been updated with latest information and some pictures from the Triennial Luncheon

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