

**Birmingham Swifts LGBT Runners**  
**Committee Meeting, Wednesday 12th August 2020**  
**20:00 - 21:00, The Loft Lounge, 143 Bromsgrove Street, B5 6RG**

Holly Miller-Manly - Chair (HMM)  
Ian Bush - Treasurer (IB)  
David Waters - Race Secretary (DW)  
Daniel Bridge - Media Secretary (DB)  
Luke Turner-Dawson - Welfare and Inclusion (LTD)

**AGENDA**

1. Welcome and apologies
2. Virtual Swifts Run 2020
3. Coaching qualification for Darren Turner
4. Swiftember 2020
5. Replacing Andrew Sturgess as Club Secretary
6. Plan for Q4 2020
7. AOBs

**MINUTES**

1. Welcome by Chair and apologies for DB and LTD.
2. Virtual Swifts Run 2020

IB spoke about his intention to hold a virtual club run. It was agreed that this should try and be held to coincide with the end of Swiftember.

IB proposed that profits from the race to be shared between the Club and the Sport Allies charity. This was agreed by the committee and HMM said she would contact the charity to discuss if they could promote the run.

Alex Brown had spoken with IB regarding the possibility of having a podcast to align with the run. IB to follow up.

IB discussed giving snoods and medals as incentive for entry.

Committee to finalise details such as length of run.

### 3. Coaching Qualification for Darren Turner (DT)

HMM said DT has expressed an interest in gaining a coaching qualification at the expense of the club.

The committee discussed what the club would gain from this. HMM suggested that members to be offered a coached session every 2 weeks, possibly at a weekend. DW and IB said this hadn't been popular when done in the past. HMM suggested that we ask members if they are interested in a coaching session as there are many new active members who may show more interest.

It was generally agreed by the committee that DT gaining this qualification would be a benefit to the club and would look to offer this once the courses restarted. (Currently all on hold due to Covid-19)

### 4. Swiftember 2020

DW discussed plans for Swiftember. He requires money to pay for the medals and would discuss this with IB.

Committee discussed whether it was likely that we would be able to hold the usual end of Swiftember celebration. General consensus was that this is unlikely, but to pencil in a Sunday. Also a possibility of handing out medals following a Thursday Social run.

### 5. Replacing Club Secretary

Committee discussed that Andrew had sadly stepped down and the next steps to be taken. HMM asked if this position would need to be reelected. IB checked the constitution and confirmed that an unelected person could fill this position.

HMM suggested that Alex Brown would be a good addition to the committee as he is very active within the club and could offer a lot to the committee. IB and DW agreed. HMM said this would be confirmed with the rest of the committee and then she would approach him.

6. Q4

With groups allowed to run again we are seeing an increase of runners. As groups still have to be small (between 6 and 12 max, depending on restrictions that week), a greater number of run leaders are needed.

HMM advised that no new run leaders could be appointed as the courses have been paused by England Athletics. IB to speak to TP as Covid Officer and the rest of the run leaders to find their availability.

7. No other business discussed.