

Glossopdale Harriers Annual General Meeting, 27 April 2026 7pm


Held at the Oakwood, Glossop and online via Teams

Attending: In Person: 23

Online: 8

Apologies: Chris Peters

Chaired by Charlotte Ann Bliss (Bliss), minutes taken by Zoe Barton (Secretary)

Meeting presentation:  GDH AGM 2026 Presentation.pdf

1. Minutes of 2024/5 AGM - the minutes have been shared and no questions or comments were raised by the members

2. Chairs Report

- a. Bliss gave a recap of the year and the committee's priorities
- b. Highlights on female participation in competitive fellrunning and Glossopdale Harriers first time at the Northern Road Relays
- c. Building our social events - appeal for anyone who would be interested in leading or supporting social events (for example scavenger hunt)
- d. One of our priorities was to be more visible in Glossop - we didn't manage it this year and will look to do this in 2026

3. Treasurer's report given by Stefan Bramwell, Treasurer

Summarised spending against budget. Main expenditure is on affiliations and membership fees.

Income and expenditure were within £100 of each other

We came in under budget for social events and charity donations - Stefan asks whether anyone has any suggestion for future social events or support of local charities / community groups

If any member has suggestions for items to include in the budget or suggestions on what to spend on, they may contact him or any committee member

4. Membership Secretary Report by Rick Steckles, membership secretary

Numbers have fallen, this comes from the fact we had a "surge" in membership when the Couch to 5K programmes ran in 2023, 4 and 5

5. Coaches Report by Jeroen Peters

Coached sessions remain popular with members and as an “entry point” to newer members. Recent weeks have seen fewer members joining. Jeroen is keen to understand what is behind this and would appreciate support of the committee in this. Marathon sessions remain popular. The downhill running course organised by Jeroen Peters and Immy Trinder, was a new addition and proved popular.

Suggestion from Jeroen to survey the participants of the downhill course. Bliss suggests to conduct a general “coaching needs” survey

We need more Leaders in Running Fitness to support the regular sessions and Bliss appeals to members to come forward if they are interested

Discussion on whether we offer any further Couch to 5K programmes - interest had dwindled and also we require a healthy complement of leaders (LiRF)

6. John Hewitt Shelf Moor fell race update

Zoe summarises the situation whereby we are currently without permission from Mossy Lea landowners, and the committee approach is to reopen the conversation with the landowners with a view to keeping the race in its current format and route.

There followed a discussion and questions around the topic

7. Updates from Zoe, Secretary

Thanks to all the volunteer leaders who enable Thursday night social sessions to happen

The club are now compliant with the England Athletics club standards, which are required to enable the club to affiliate to EA. Rick has worked hard on this, and we are grateful to him for supporting the club in this way

8. **Welfare officer:** Thanks to Rob Rayner for holding this post. We would like to have another welfare officer, if anyone would like to know more or is interested in the position please speak to a committee member

9. Election of 2025 Committee

- a. Bliss explains that all committee roles are open
- b. We had two committee members step down: Andy O and John P.
- c. Bliss introduces the members who have volunteered for the vacancies and asks the membership to ratify the committee

10. Motions Proposed

Introduced by Immy Trinder:  GDH AGM 2026 - Motions.pdf

Motion 1 - Removal of Club Captain roles and replace with “Event Activity Leads” and a committee role of events and inclusion lead / to be held by a serving committee member

Discussion around the topic - general agreement to “spreading the load” amongst more than one person

Committee endorse maintaining support for female / under-represented runners

Motion 2 - A policy against payment to club members for any services

This is driven by the desire to support volunteers who provide services free of charge to the club

11. Voting

30 members voted. The committee was ratified and the motions were passed

12. Elected Committee Members

Chair: Charlotte Bliss

Treasurer: Stefan Bramwell

Membership Secretary: Rick Steckles

Secretary : Zoe Barton

Ordinary Member : Nat Hicks

Ordinary Member : Emma Rettig

Ordinary Member : Dan Calverley

Ordinary Member : Rachel Walton

Ordinary Member : Steve Bedder

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No business was raised. The meeting was closed at 8.20pm

