

# Avon Athletic Association

**Minutes [UNRATIFIED]** of the 2022 Annual General Meeting of the Avon Athletic Association, held on Monday March 14th, by Zoom, starting at 7.00pm.

**Those Present:** Debbie Brooks, John Cox (GWR), John Deaton (General Secretary), Pam Gooding (President), Ray Gooding (Officials Secretary), Andrea Garcia-Lock (SGS College), Penny Mannings (North Somerset AC), James Murphy (Welfare / Westbury Harriers), Hilary Nash (Treasurer / Bristol & West AC), Arthur Renshaw (Thornbury RC), John Robbins (Chairperson), Jim Strudwick (Avon Schools AA), Mark Thomas (Team Bath AC).

**Apologies:** Martin Bates (North Somerset AC), Kelly Dicks (GWR), Ian Macintosh (Life Member), Neil Miller (Westbury Harriers), Mike Strange (Bristol & West AC / Life Member).

**Minutes of Previous AGM** (March 8th 2021): accepted.

**Matters Arising:** Maria Townsend had agreed to act as the Independent Examiner of the Accounts, and had approved the backlog of accounts up to the end of 2020.

**Chairperson's Remarks:** (distributed in advance; full version available on request):

John Robbins stressed that the long-term continuance of the Association would depend on the involvement of the member clubs, including in filling the vacant or soon-to-be-vacant posts. He notified the meeting that he would not be accepting nomination as Chairperson beyond the 2023 AGM.

The Chair expressed his thanks to his fellow-activists, particularly to General Secretary John Deaton, for their work.

**Secretary's Report:** (distributed in advance): Accepted. John presented a supplement to his report, covering the 2022 UK CAU Inter-Counties Cross-Country Championships (available on request).

**Treasurer's Report for 2021:** (distributed in advance; copies available on request): Income had included a generous donation from a retired athlete, and a grant of £500 from EA towards the T&F Championships.

Maria Townsend was prepared to examine these accounts once she was fully back in action.

## Election of Officers:

The holders of the following posts were elected unopposed:

President:	Pam Gooding
Chairperson:	John Robbins
Secretary:	John Deaton
Treasurer:	Hilary Nash

Officials Secretary (Track and Field)	No nomination	
Officials Secretary (Endurance)	No nomination	
Cross-Country Coordinator	John Deaton	
Road Running Coordinator	Arthur Renshaw	
Track and Field Coordinator	No nomination	
Sportshall Coordinator	Dave Turner	Re-elected subject to consent
Welfare Officer	James Murphy	
Webmaster	John Deaton	
Coaching Coordinator	Jim Strudwick	

Proposed: John Robbins: Seconded Jim Murphy.

**Election of Trustees:** Ray Gooding was re-elected as a Trustee until the 2025 AGM (Proposed: John Robbins; Seconded: Jim Strudwick).

**Election of Independent Examiner:** Maria Townsend: Proposed Hilary Nash; Seconded: John Deaton. Appointed.

**Meeting Closed** at about 7.25pm, with thanks to John Cox for acting as Zoom Host.