Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date	Saturday, 7th November 2026
Location	St. Anthony's House, Clontarf

Meeting Objective	Annual General Meeting

Current Committee Members				
Chair	***Secretary***	***Treasurer***	***Training coordinator's***	***Marketing & Social Pages***
Emma Jordan (EJ)	Anne O'Reilly (AOR)	Brian Stanley (BS)	Eric Clonan (EC) Dave Furlong (DF)	Owen Ingarfield (OI) Kim Zitsmann (KZ)
New to Tri	***Social***	***Membership***		
Niall Gallagher (NG) Jen Browne (JB)	Lauren Hughes (LH) Fiona Nelson (FN)	Marlon Major (MM)		
Attendees	62 Attendees as per Glofox attendance report			

Minutes are a record of key decisions made by the Committee at the meeting. Routine actions are noted in the Action Register, as updated after each meeting.

#	Item
1.	**General** 👋 - EJ welcomed everybody and presented overview and agenda. - EJ thanked all committee members for their work during the year and thanked all members who volunteered during the year.
2.	**Annual report presented by committee members** **Membership – MM** MM provided a summary on club membership. - Ended the year with 240 members. - Share of female membership was 43%. - Membership included 173 renewing members and 67 new members. **Training – DF / EC** DF and EC provided an overview of training in 2026. - In addition to the regular training sessions highlights included trail running sessions, a new northside weekly coached run session, a weekly indoor cycle studio training session, new swim coaches, open water swim sessions and yoga. - Highlighted the difficulty in securing swim lanes available for club rental. - Thanked all club captains for their support throughout the year. **National Series Race Report – MR / ML** MR / ML provided an update on the club's performance in the National Series. - 71 Piranhas completed at least two national series races and 33% of members raced at least two TI sanctioned events. - There was great individual success in the NS and highlighted AG podiums.

	- The club won the mixed club national series, the women's team came second and the men's team came third. **New-to-Tri – NG** - NG highlighted events held as part of the new-to-tri program such as a NTT talk, bike skills session, transition training and bike maintenance course held with John Clarke in July. - NG outlined the importance of trials to introduce the club to new members. In 2026, 54 trial sessions for potential new members were organised. **Marketing & Social Pages – OI** OI provided an update on marketing. - 58 Instagram/Facebook posts in 2026. Increased following by 11% to over 2,000 followers. - New website was launched this this year with an improved, modern layout. - Club newsletters to members had strong reach and were an effective communication channel for club announcements. **Social – LH / FN** LH and FN provided an updated on social events throughout the year. - Social highlights throughout the year Sauna & Pizza session in January, Dungarvan training weekend table quiz and awards night and socialising after races close to Dublin over the summer. **DCT – Stuart Russell** Stuart Russell provided an update on DCT. 4 races formats held: - Sprint National Series - AG AquaBike - AG Tri-a-tri - Corporate Relay Triathlon Ireland overall rating was 5/5! DCT was shortlisted for TI race of the year. Sponsorship was identified as essential to make the event profitable for the club. **Finance – BS** - BS provided an overview of the Community Sports Facility Fund that is open for applications and welcomed suggestions from members. - The 2026 Treasurer report was presented. - Income was down on last year while expenditure was up significantly due to increases in swim lane rental prices. Swimming comprises 85% of the club's training costs. - An increase to membership fee was proposed for 2027 to ensure the ongoing financial viability of the club.
3.	**<u>Motion 1</u>** Proposal that the Club adopts a revised membership structure whereby the membership fee will provide access to all cycling and running sessions and the swimming sessions held in the 25-metre pool (Sean McDermott Street). Access to swimming sessions held in 50-metre pools (Westwood and UCD) will be subject to an additional fee, payable separate from the standard membership fee.

		Full	Student	Half-year
	Standard Membership*	€295	€150	€150
	50-metre pool add-on	€175	€175	€88

*All swim training in 25-metre pool, all cycling and running training.

This proposal aims to maintain the current membership fee while balancing the allocation of the higher costs of 50-metre pools fairly while still providing access to those who wish to use these facilities. This price increase for the 50-metre pools is essential to keep the Club's finances sustainable. Full details will be provided at the AGM.

Show of hands vote
In favour: 48 votes
Motion passed

4. **Motion 2**

Change to Piranha Triathlon Club Kit Design

Proposal that Piranha Triathlon Club update its current kit design to reflect the feedback received from the club kit survey, while retaining the club's established navy and red colours and recognisable identity.

The survey feedback highlighted a preference for maintaining the club's traditional colours, a clean and minimal design, dark/black bib shorts, and kit that is non-transparent. The proposed redesign aims to reflect these priorities while modernising the club's appearance and maintaining a consistent identity across club members.

It is proposed that the club review and vote on the shortlisted kit designs, with the preferred design selected through a club vote.

Designs x 4 presented to members

Show of hands vote:
In favour of option 1 – 27 votes
Option 1 passes

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5.	**<u>Motion 3</u>** **Motion #3 – Election of Committee Members** In accordance with the Club constitution, the following candidates are proposed for election to the Committee: **Chair:** Brian Stanley Nomination: Miriam Grogan Second: Maire O'Mahony **Treasurer:** Ciaran Kyne Nomination: Siobhan Foreman Second: Ann Wilson **Secretary:** Brighid Smyth Nomination: Dave Furlong Second: Vanessa Fenton **Training:** Dave Furlong (seeking re-election) and Rob White Nomination: Adele Hall / Bernard Kearney Second: Lucy McAuley / Susan Wylie **Membership:** Adeli Rensburg Nomination: Marlon Major / Pat Lenihan Second: Lauren Hughes / Miriam Grogan **New to Tri:** George Galbraith and Patrick McGee Nomination: Adele Hall / Trish Eadie Second: Enda Traynor / Faye Mansfield **Social:** Fiona Nelson (seeking re-election) and Fiachra Bray Nomination: Anne Moloney Second: Trish Eadie

	Marketing: Bernard Kearney Nomination: Michael Lynch Second: Jonathon Freeman **<u>Sub-Committee</u>** **Swim Captain -** Gaia Scalabrino stepping down. Siobhan Keating staying on and Eoin Clancy and Maire O' Mahony volunteering for next year. **Bike Captains** – Lucy McAuley and Frank Flannery stepping down. Ivan Rigal and Patrick Kyne staying on and will be joined by Jens Seggewiss and Clara. **Run Captain** – Luke Stephens Kehoe staying on and will be joined by Frank Flannery. **NS co-ordinators -** Mikey Lynch and Megan Roberts staying on. **Easter Training camp** – John Clarke and Tony O'Grady **Club away race and away camp 2027** - Ciaran Kyne
6.	**<u>Motion 4</u>** A- €50 B -€60 or C- €70 be added to the membership annual charge that will be credited back if the member volunteers for the club race. A credit to be given for this additional cost if the member has volunteered in either 2025 or 2026. If a member cannot volunteer, they can nominate another adult to volunteer in their place. So, the fee structure would be (if €60 added for example): *Basic (no access to WW) with volunteering – €295* *Basic (no access to WW) no volunteering – €355* *Full with volunteering- €470* *Full no volunteering – €530* I also propose that it be highlighted on the website site that the cost of all swim sessions are included in each type of membership. Show of hands vote: In favour: 1 vote Motion not passed
7.	**<u>AOB</u>** There was much discussion around the membership fees, how to increase membership and how to encourage volunteering at DCT which will inform the work of the committee in 2027