

## AGM Minutes

<b>Date</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 10:30am.
<b>Location</b>	West Wood Gym, Clontarf Road, Clontarf, Dublin 3

<b>Meeting Objective</b>	Club AGM 2018
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### Committee members in attendance:

Steven Moody (Chairman)	David O'Shea (Club Secretary)	Stephen Eustace (Treasurer)	Killian Nolan (Training co-ordinator)
Muiriosa Ryan (Marketing)	Adam Goslin & Richie Dooley (Gear and Social)	Roisin Pakenham & Claire Gorman (New to Tri)	Megan Smith (Membership)

### Club members in attendance:

Pat Linehan	Simon Montgomery	Paul O'Donovan	Noel Kelly
Dara Lawlor	Brian Stanley	Brianne Mulvihill	Rob Keenan
Shane Gavin	Caroline Curran	Susan Wylie	Marie Moran
Ger Fennelly	Diarmuid Meldon	Marlon Major	Peter Sweeney
Shane Farrell	Gareth Williams	Cathal O'Sullivan	Hugh Larkin
Sarah Sreenan	Barry McIntyre	John Clarke	Pablo Perez Rodriguez
Benita Vazquez	Aidan Hughes	Enda Traynor	Enda Marren
Simon O'Regan	Nora Gallagher	Sinead Plunkett	Declan Connolly
David H	Tom Curtin		

### 1. Introduction

The Chairman gave an introduction to the key items to be discussed at the AGM and some important proposals to be presented to the members.

### 2. Membership (Megan Smith)

Megan provided a summary of the club's membership:

- 265 members in 2018 of which 94 were new members (35%)
- Matching members from their TI numbers so better visibility of new joiners
- 88 female: 177 male (33%: 67%)
- 14 Associate (5%), 22 Student members (8%), 27 members joined post July (10%)
- TI closed for new members November
- New swipe access control to Westwood for swim sessions

### 3. Marketing (Muiriosa Ryan)

Muiriosa provided a summary of the club's marketing:

- Almost 50 posts added to the website
- Piranha logos created – multiple versions of Piranha stored in one place so one point of contact
- 1,455 followers on Facebook

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- 2,476 followers on Twitter
  - 455 followers on the Instagram account and growing all the time
  - Maintained weekly engagement on all platforms
  - Instagram mainly about the members
  - Facebook and Twitter information about the club
  - 10 Race Reports – promoted on site and social
  - Consolidation of announcements on WhatsApp Announcement group.

#### **4. New to Tri (Roisin Pakenham and Claire Dorgan)**

Roisin provided a summary of the club's New to Tri programme over the last year:

- Monday evenings New to Triathlon Coffee Meeting
- Go Quest adventure centre social
- Club Transition Trainings
- Club Open Water Sessions
- Bike Induction Courses
- WhatsApp Group/Updates
- Members Handbook uploaded at the start of the year

Special thanks to:

- Anthony Mulholland and Killian Nolan
- Ian Cassidy and Brianne Mulvihill
- Adam and Richie
- All Piranha Members

#### **5. Training (Killian Nolan)**

Killian provided a summary of the club's training programme over the last year:

- Very structured training programme.
- Strength in-depth in terms of coaches.
- **Swimming:**
  - usual difficulties in the January to March period due to capacity issues in WW. This is something that the club will have to continue to monitor into the New Year. Noted that members should go to the specific sessions suitable for their ability. Sunday and Monday evening along with Friday sessions are generally quieter.
  - Few tweaks to training program to include extension of swimming session on Tuesday mornings.
- **Bike:**
  - Very well organized bike rota planned by Brianne and John over the year which was a huge success.
- **Run:**
  - structured training throughout the year. Gary and Maria have also assisted with a marathon training group.
  - Gary and Maria organise an earlier marathon training session on Thursdays along with Saturday sessions.
  - Other member led sessions on Tuesday and Saturday in Clontark.
- **Talks:**
  - Successful talk with Derval O'Rourke and Sharon Madigan. Noted that if members have any other ideas as to future talks please do put these forward to Killian. Useful to have another nutrition talk and may consider having another earlier in the New Year / pre-season.
- **Training camps:**
  - WWT camp was successful in 2018 and another camp is currently being organised for 2019.

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- Look to have another home training camp in Ireland in 2019 after a successful camp in Killarney this year.

## **6. Social and Gear (Adam Goslin and Richie Dooley) (the “Social Team”)**

The Social Team provided an overview of gear and social:

### **Gear**

- New Casual Gear Bundle which was a huge success and the club plans to keep this going – (Hoodie, T-Shirt & Bobble Hat)
- Complications with Velo Revolution this year.
- New cycling & triathlon gear supplier for 2019 (Champion Systems). Champion Systems is already used by Triathlon Ireland in supplying the Irish kit. Some points of negotiation:
  - Ability to go to Cycle Superstore to try on gear.
  - Online portal with delivery will reduce stock and work in the back office.
  - Orders over 100 euro will be free delivery.
  - Considering pricing and this may require an increase in gear subsidy (to be finalized and agreed by committee).

### **Social**

- New to Piranha – GoQuest (Feb)
- OWS Coffee Morning – Happy Out (May)
- DCT Post Race BBQ & Games (August)
- End of Season Celebration – The Jar (Sept)
- Awards Night – The Harbourmaster (IFSC) – 10th Nov
- Memorial Run – St. Anne’s Park – 24th Nov

## **7. Treasurer’s Report (Stephen Eustace)**

Stephen presented the treasurer’s report and gave an overview of the income and expenditure by the club for the 2017/2018 financial year (year ending 30 September 2018) and the financial plans for the financial year of 2018/2019 which includes to continue to use club funds to deliver high quality and valued services to our members.

Stephen noted that this would be his final year in the position and would be looking for a new candidate next year.

## **8. National Series (Siobhan Forman, John Walnutt and Ivan Eustace)**

Siobhan provided a summary of the club’s performance in the 2018 National Series. Siobhan noted that the key goals at the start of 2017/2018 were to:

- encourage greater NS participation in the club;
- provide NS strategy at the start of the year to include two away events;
- continue to provide pre-race profile and booklet; and
- encourage both individual and club achievement.

Siobhan provided an overview of the selected NS races and the success of the club as club champs (male, female and mixed) along with at Age Group levels.

Siobhan noted the importance of all members taking part in the NS. Some key facts included:

- we had 136 members finish at least one national series race
- we saw a big increase in our members taking on at least one NS race rising from 102 last year to 136 (45 ladies / 91 men)
- we completed 352 races and accumulated approx. 35,000 national series points
- our top points scores were Becky and Tom

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## National Series Co-Ordinators for 2018/2019

It was noted that the 2019 NS co-ordinators are to be Siobhan Forman and Ross Condy.

### 9. Club committee nominations

The following positions were confirmed at the meeting:

Committee role	Nominee(s)
Chairman	Paul O'Donovan
Treasurer	Stephen Eustace
Club Secretary	Claire Gorman
Marketing	Dara Lawlor
Membership	Enda Marren
New to Tri	Nora Gallagher and Niall McDonnell
Social	Susan Wylie and Marlon Major
Training Coordinator	Killian Nolan

### 10. AOB

1. Hugh Larkin: whether there were any key issues that the committee felt needed more involvement from membership.
  - a. Idea generation: encourage club members to put forward ideas (training, social etc).
  - b. DCT volunteerism: may need to appoint key officers as part of a sub-committee and in particular someone appointed to look after the volunteers.
2. Siobhan Forman: should we consider organising a duathlon in early year.
  - a. Siobhan was encouraged to bring forward this idea to the committee with a structured plan and proposal to see if this is something that people are interested in and whether the committee could organise this.
3. Enda Traynor: what are the main revenue streams. Should we consider increasing membership.
  - a. Our sweet spot is around 250 – 270. Swimming is our bottleneck at WW due to capacity.
4. Simon O'Regan: should we consider further sponsors for DCT. Have we considered changing / re-branding DCT to a Piranha titled event.
  - a. DCT has been a historical name.
  - b. In terms of sponsorship, if people have other potential sponsors, then please present these to DCT Race Director and Assistant Race Director, John W and Aidan Hughes.
5. Hugh Larkin: should we have two levels of subsidy, that being (1) one for New to Tri and (2) remaining members.
  - a. Encouraged to present idea to committee with email. This can be easily administered via discount coupons.
6. Pat Linehan: prepare a communication piece for DCT (in particular to provide to new members) as to what is involved as being a volunteer at DCT.
7. Pat Linehan: suggestion of having a communication piece about the ITU Euro and World Championships to encourage numbers.
  - a. Suggestion that Cathal and Roisin provide a short summary.