Yorkshire North East Powerlifting Federation - 2017 AGM Minutes

Date: 2nd December 2017

Location: Kenton & District Social Club, Newcastle upon Tyne

Present

Richard Caine, Chris Godfrey, James McGill, Carole Springett, Hollie Johnson, Tony Hollands, Jim Dulling, Alex Lee, Gemma Surtees, Jo Louise Beck, David O’Brien (late), Ricky Faulkes (late)

Apologies

Lisa Liddy, Joanne Barnes, Richard Parish, Chris Cooper, Dave Richardson

Matters Arising from 2016 Minutes

* EGM held to ratify the constitution.
* JD mentioned that the Website was out of date. HJ agreed to follow up on this.
* Club Affiliation packages not sent to affiliated clubs – organisation and running of comps was prioritised.

Chairman’s Report

* Significant increase in members & lifters Yr/Yr.
* Positives:
  + Constitution accepted.
  + New set of Eleiko plates and bar ordered and in use.
  + Sold old Ivanko set (becoming difficult to safely handle at Comps).
* Negatives:
  + Resignation of Committee members.
  + Very difficult to get a sufficient level of help to cater for the increased numbers of lifters (core of 30 regular helpers shouldering burden out of 508 lifters- unsustainable).
  + Recent Referees course only yielded 1 successful applicant.
  + Comments that people may not offer help with Spotting and Loading due to ‘fear’ – suggestion to run a course/seminar with Mike King.
  + Suggestion to give helpers discounted competition entry or priority entry at next comp.
* Goals for 2018:
  + Offer retest to applicants who did not pass October’s Exam, run one or two additional referees courses.
  + Fill open Committee Posts.
  + Spend available monies for the benefit of Lifters (e.g. audiovisual equipment to enable filming and streaming of comps, projector or TV etc. etc.).

Treasurer's Report

* Federation on a strong footing financially.
* Gemma Surtees will work with Tony Hollands during 2018, once confirmed the appointment with work.

Technical Report

* Carole Springett stepping down as Technical Officer.
* Concern that only a small number of Referees actually active in the Division.
* Suggestion that ‘inactive’ Referees should be reminded of requirements and given the opportunity to Referee during 2018. If this is not followed up, they would be removed from the Register.
* Recommendation that Dave O’Brien be promoted to National Level - promotion approved by the committee.

Elections

* James McGill elected to post of Technical officer.
* Richard Parish elected to post of Equipment Officer.
* Chris Cooper Co-Opted member of the Committee to support Social media etc.
* Gemma Surtees Co-Opted member to work with the Treasurer.
* Jo Louise Beck elected to post of Merchandising Officer.

Calendar

* Calendar was ratified.
* Only outstanding item was venue for Northern Unis comp.
  + James McGill offered support of Ashington as venue or equipment for platform.

Notices of Motions for EPA AGM

* All Referees in good standing within their division should have their BP Membership fees paid for by BP. This includes Referees who do not lift themselves.
* Possibility to have some National Training Squads in the North.

Next AGM

* Date set for 1st December 2018.
* Venue suggested to be St. Thomas Church Hall, Bradley Road, Huddersfield (to be confirmed by Tony Hollands).