

2. 2024/2025 A Review	Paul ran through the club highlights from the year. These were available for members as a copy to take away. Some of the headlines were: Thanks to Ewelina for the Couch 2 5K course she ran earlier in the year. Thanks also to Emma Sugden and other members who supported with this. Some members of this course are now running with us a club run night, some have already progressed into group 2 and some have booked onto the Morley 10k. They completed a parkrun graduation at Rothwell which was supported by club members. Thank you to Stephen Cheeseman for hosting a monthly quiz after running club. These have been well attended and a great social event for members. This will continue once a month over the Winter months at the Rugby Club whilst the Cricket Club is closed. Thank you for the support for the Yorkshire Veterans race. The club members made it a great success.	
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	We have an average of 83 runners every Wednesday at Club night and an average of 10 run leaders. The Christmas do last year was a great success and this year it is booked for Friday 12th December. We had a London Marathon Place allocated because of the number of affiliated members we have . Katie Edwards-Fox was successful in the draw for the place and proudly ran in Morley club colours on the day. We should have confirmation of a marathon place allocation for 2026 in the next couple of months.	
3. Parkrun league	James Adams talked about the parkrun league for 2025. He gave an overview of how it was working and the next events planned. He spoke about the current league positions and where members can get updates about this. There are 3 events left and the next on is a Nostell on October 11th.	

4. Race of the month	James Adams talked through the race of the month. He said that attendance was low at lots of these events. He explained that the races had been chosen with varying distances and terrain but welcomed feedback as to why members aren't running in these particular races. Question: A member asked if the races could be advertised more as many members weren't aware of them and didn't always check the website. Question: A member asked if people would post on FB if they are able to car share to get to the events. Everyone agreed this was a good idea.	Action JA : to do a social media post in advance of the event to publicise it. Include a mention of car sharing.
5. Kit supply	Susan Redfearn talked through the kit process and how well it seemed to be working . She explained the sizing was much truer to size than previous manufacturers and she welcomed feedback from members. Question : A member asked if we could introduce a jersey zipped hoody. Susan explained this was a from a different company to the running kit but that she was happy to email the company to see if this was an option.	Action SR : To email PB teamwear with this request.

	Question: Could a hi vis option be available for t-shirts	Action SR : To email Apex clothing with this request.
6. Vet's league	Paul Sayers spoke about the vets' league. He said the feedback had been really positive from the runners and the residents of the St Andrew's estate where the race starts and finishes. This event brings a lot of money into the club and puts Morley on the map. This year our event so far has had the 2nd highest attendance of all events. 338 runners attended. We have agreed to host again on 16th June next year and volunteers and runners are welcomed.	
7. Affiliated members	Rachael Kearns spoke about the affiliation process. The affiliation year runs from 1st April until 31st March. We have 82 affiliated members and 2 who have stated MRC as a 2nd claim club. This is much higher than we have had previously which is great. Rachael explained that there are many benefits to being affiliated. One of which is discounts in races. .	

	This number of affiliated members ensures that we have numbers high enough to qualify for a London Marathon place for our club. Rachael asked anyone interested to reach out to the membership secretary. Question : One member asked if you get confirmation that you are affiliated as she didn't believe she received anything. Rachael explained you should receive an email.	Action: PS/RK to cross check affiliated members list to confirm .
8. Run Leader update	Emma Sugden thanked the run leaders overall and said how valuable they are to the smooth running of the club. Ellie Parker Hyde was thanked as a new run leader and Jack O and Kelvin were thanked as they are finishing their courses and are nearly ready to start leading. There are 17 run leaders currently but with holidays and commitments it is often difficult to sort 2 run leaders per group out.	

	Emma appealed for run leaders. She would be so grateful if anyone would consider doing the course. There is no need to be able to run lead all 6 groups. Happy to accept group run leaders who would be happy running in group 1 or 2 every week. Emma explained that although the member would initially pay for the course, 50% would be refunded after completing 10 runs as run leader.	
9. Voting : New committee for 2025/2026	Rachael Kearns and Emma Ribbons stood down and decided not to be re-elected. This opened up the roles of Membership Co-ordinator and Treasurer. Paul Redfearn, the club secretary asked to become the treasurer. This was explained in an email to members prior to the meeting with information about all the committee members who wished to stay in role. Once the committee had stood down, those members who wanted to stay in	

their roles were voted back in by the members at the AGM.

These were

Chairman : Paul Sayers

Treasurer : Paul Redfearn

Run leader co-ordinator : Emma Sugden

Social Media: Myfanwy Kramer

Welfare officer and Kit Manager:
Susan Redfearn

Mental Health Co-ordinator: Katie Edwards- Fox

Social Co-ordinator: James Adams

This opened up roles of Club Secretary and Membership co-ordinator.

An email was sent to members with a deadline and the following members expressed an interest and sent in a personal statement.

These members were

Dean Lamb

Michelle Madden

	Andrea Ledger A vote was cast both on-line and on paper at the meeting and Dean Lamb became Club secretary. Michelle Madden had also expressed an interest in the role of Membership Co-ordinator (the only one) so this role was taken by Michelle. Another role became available which was Health and safety officer and Andrea Ledger was happy to take on this role following discussion with members. This finalised the committee members for 2025/2026 Rachael and Emma R were thanked for the 4 years on the committee and all their hard work and presented with a gift. They will both be missed.	
10. Finance	The club are in a strong position financially. Emma Ribbon's ran through the financial year and provided a print of the accounts for members. She gave an overview of the headlines.	

	Easy fundraising has been a success and brought money into the club. Raffles have been a success : Thank you to Emma S for all your hard work in obtaining prizes. The 10k brings in lots of money for the club. New purchases have happened because of this , such as Flags, banners and a gazebo which are now used at events to publicise the club. Money has been invested into the community : 6 jackets for LS27 football team A crowd funder for the cricket club pavilion. A wreath for Armistice Day. A barrel of beer at the beer festival.	
11. 2025/2026 The future	This year looks like another great year from the club. Lots of things are planned: Christmas party Awards night Vets league Morley 10k Quiz night every month	

	Question : Could we put on more unofficial social events, Reply : The committee agreed this was a great idea and that people wanting to organise an event should do so either on the Facebook page or create a WhatsApp rather than the committee organising it and making it an official event.	
12. Morley 10k	Anthony Huggins spoke about the 10k. This looks set to be another great event. As of the night of the AGM , 1099 out of 1200 places have been sold. He thanked everyone who supports the event, runners, marshals, supporters and the 10k committee. 80 club members have signed up to run. This year has been more difficult to get volunteers but Kirsty has managed to pull everything together to cover the course with marshals. The race brings a lot of money into Morley and helps so many good causes. There will be a post on FB with a time for photographs of those members running.	

	The volunteer photo will be after the event at The Vault.	
13. Open floor for questions	Question: Could the reindeer run include runners from group 1 and 2 as it was felt that the previous runs have been at a faster pace than this? Reply: Anyone is welcome, it is an unofficial run so not one set up by MRC so members can join in and run at their own pace. Question: When people are doing their training runs along the canal, could it be mentioned on Facebook as it would be nice to meet up and run parts together? Reply: Anyone can post on the FB page about events /runs they are doing , maybe as a buddy up post/car share post. Question: Could the reindeer run be fancy dress?	

Reply:
Absolutely

Question

Could Morley watch come back?

Reply:

Yes, some members have started posting on FB already.

Question:

With the club having 17 run leaders, is their scope for 2 club run nights a week?

Reply:

It was explained that on Wednesdays, with holidays and other commitments, despite having 17 run leaders, it was still difficult some weeks to cover the 6 running groups. It was also felt that it was a big commitment for run leaders to give up 2 nights a week on a regular basis. Buddy up on FB could be used if a group want to meet up unofficially.

Question:

Could some of the weekly runs be speed/ hill sessions instead?

Reply:

Qualified coaches required for these sessions and across the run leaders, there is only 1 qualified coach.

Question:

	Could all run leaders use the same platform for planning routes as some are very difficult to read? Reply: This is something that can be looked into at the next run leaders meeting	Action DL : to add this to the next run leaders meeting agenda.
14. AOB	As Emma Ribbons is standing down as Treasurer, she explained to all members present that the signatories on the bank accounts will need to be changed Motion passed for Paul Sayers and Paul Redfearn to become the new signatories and Emma Ribbons to be taken off. Paul Sayers thanked everyone for coming and closed the meeting.	Action ER/PS/PR : to organise for the signatories to be changed.
Date for next meeting		September 2026