

# Notes from Committee Meeting 5 May 2026

## Esk Valley Fell Club

Venue: The Royal Oak, Gt Ayton  
Date/Time: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2026, at 8pm  
Attendees: Phil Conner, Mike Quinn , Gary Talbot, Clive Thornton, Hilary Allan, Ian Rowan,  
Apologies: Tim Hill, Jonathan Rowland

### Agenda:

1. Membership Update
2. Clive Thornton ( Race Series Organiser ) handover

### AOB

3. Monday Night Group – J Hall email received 28/04/2026

### Discussion

#### Item 1: Membership Update

- PC confirmed current 2026 year membership numbers (from 1/4/26): 102 total – 31 female, 71 male
- Discussed current members with Run Leader credentials (LiRF minimum) available to the Club– either currently valid, in progress (\*), or revalidation (#) ongoing:
  - Sarah Duffy
  - Phil Baines
  - Clive Thornton
  - Dave Aspin
  - Kath Aspin
  - Gary Talbot #
  - Mike Quinn #
  - Jonathan Rowland \*
  - Ian Rowan \*
- General agreement that the Club should seek to increase further the Run Leader pool to provide better coverage for Monday & Tuesday Group Run sessions.

#### Item 2: Clive Thornton ( Race Series Organiser ) handover

Committee reviewed the handover document prepared by Clive and decided on initial allocation of responsibilities, to effectively 'share out' the activities undertaken by Clive:

| Activity                                                                                    | New Lead        |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Arrange Dave Parry Race Series coordination meeting                                         | Ian Rowan       |
| Draft Race Series calendar / assess competing events                                        | Ian Rowan + Bob |
| Lead race DP Race Series coordination meeting                                               | Ian Rowan + Bob |
| Confirm DP Races Series calendar, prepare spreadsheet, update in year                       | Ian Rowan       |
| Social media promotion of events, marshal requests, posting results: age/group/ team tables | Tbc             |

| Activity                                              | New Lead        |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Manage Race Series vest numbers with Lets Run         | Tbc             |
| Entry forms, pins, pens, stationary                   | Race Organisers |
| Race registration assistance                          | Race Organisers |
| Race finish recording                                 | Race Organisers |
| Timing – Parkrun app (stopwatches)                    | Race Organisers |
| Draft race results                                    | Race Organisers |
| Race presentations                                    | Race Organisers |
| Race results QA/ error correction                     | Phil Baines     |
| Final results                                         | Phil Baines     |
| Liaison with Rob Pollard                              | Phil Baines     |
| Series updates                                        | Tbc             |
| Race Series prizes; pottery design, order, collection | Hilary Allan    |
| Prepare prize winners sheets/ certificates            | Tbc             |
| Race Series winner presentations                      | Tbc             |

The Committee reviewed the current list of races, and which are considered EVFC as Race Organiser, and that we would wish to continue in this role:

- Captain Cooks (NYD) – Bob (RO) + Clive
- Blakey Blitz – Bob (RO) + Clive
- Gisborough Moors ??
- Guisborough Woods – Clive (RO)
- Bilsdale – Mike (RO)

Gary led a discussion on ‘branding’ ideas to promote the Dave Parry Race Series. Suggestions discussed included:

- DP Race Series logo
- improve EVFC website to differentiate DP race Series and provide history
- an ‘Affiliation concept’ to put on participating club websites.
- merchandise to promote series, and raise funds for charities (ie non-profit basis)
- podcast (Gary) promoting Race Series, race results, and interviews

Clive agreed to contact all Race Organisers advising of the changes / handover, including greater RO accountability/ less support, and seeking any individuals who would be willing to take on a greater role in Series Coordination.

#### Item 3: Monday Night Group – J Hall (28/4/26) email

Minimal discussion time at this meeting – made Committee aware of the email and outlined concerns raised. Agreement that we needed appropriate time at next Committee meeting to discuss in detail, so will be included as first item on next (30 June) Committee Mtg agenda.

#### **Decisions (to be shared with Members)**

None

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Phil Conner – EVFC Secretary