HAMBLETON ATHLETICS & RUNNING CLUB

FUNDING REPORT FOR AGM

MARCH 2024

OVERVIEW

1. Update since last AGM

In the last 12 months we have continued to raise funds for the club. However, due to restrictions on subsequent applications for grants such as with Tesco we have not been able to raise as much as the previous year.

Easy Fundraising

We have now held an easyfundraising account for the last 7 months and with only 27 supporters the total raised is £338.99. I am hoping we can continue to raise money and hopefully increase the number of members who are signed up to the platform.

Easy fundraising is a simple and fast way to raise funds for the club with no cost to yourself and minimal effort. Please speak to Alice for more information about how to set up an account and link this to your phone/computer web browsers.

At the AGM there will be some flyers on the tables with QR codes, please take a look and consider signing up!

Our 2023/2024 top supporters are:



You can raise FREE donations for us every time you shop online. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use 'easyfundraising' to shop with them – at no extra cost to yourself! These donations really mount up and make a BIG difference to us, so we'd really appreciate it if you could take a moment to sign up.

You can find our easyfundraising page at https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/hambleton-athletics/

2. Future Funding & Spending

We continue to look for grants and funding for the club. This is vital to allow the club to grow. We have been able to use the money raised most recently to fund the cost of training two new Leaders in Running Fitness.

Bedale Car Boot Sale

Unfortunately, having applied to the 2024 ballot, we were advised that HARC are no longer eligible to run a sale at the Bedale Car Boot. A letter has been sent to the Bedale Town Council in respect of this and a response is awaited.

Tesco Community Grant

In August 2022 we received £500 from the Tesco grant. This money has since been used to purchase a range of equipment for our junior members. The additional equipment has meant we can coach more athletes at each session and provide a better focus on developing their skills. One example of this was the purchase of a second javelin in a different weight to the one we already owned. This allowed for the athletes to develop their skill over the sessions. The athletes are all aged between 5 years and 15 years and the sessions had been challenging with the limited equipment. However, we can now tailor sessions to each individual and deliver the same programme to all, this means we continue to achieve our goals as a club – coaching everyone, no matter their ability.

The purchases we made with the funding were:

- 1 x javelin
- 1 x wobble board
- 6 x skipping ropes
- 1 x 5kg medicine ball
- 1 x 7kg medicine ball
- 4 x junior training discus
- 4 x shot
- 4 x hammer
- 1 x starting block
- 1 x hurdles

We are now eligible to reapply for a further Tesco Community grant and this application will be submitted once the 2024/25 HARC committee has been selected and the initial committee meeting held. The grants available are £500, £1000 and £1500.

Please speak to the committee if you would like to support the club with funding opportunities in the future. There is no requirement to be a member of the committee – individuals can support the funding officer with grant applications or events.