

HAMBLETON ATHLETICS & RUNNING CLUB

MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR AGM

MARCH 2024

OVERVIEW

1. Update since last AGM

Over the last year the club has continued to develop, and membership numbers reflect this. We currently have 91 members, up from 71 the previous year. The 2023/24 year will end on 31st March 2024.

As we enter the new 2024/25 year, we continue to be affiliated with England Athletics (EA). You will find your EA membership number in your club profile on the HARC website. The membership provides individuals with a range of benefits and supports EA to invest in sports across the country. *(NB, new members joining in the last two months, your membership will be linked to EA after 31st March 2024.)*

Please take a moment to log into your profile on the England Athletics portal and consider the Code of Conduct relevant to your role. This is a requirement of our continued affiliation, and a reminder to do this will be sent in WhatsApp groups at the start of the new membership year.

You can find out more about the EA benefits here:

<https://www.englandathletics.org/athletics-and-running/athlete-registration/benefits-of-registration/>

2. Membership Overview

i We have three second claim members, two of which play an active role in the club across the year as part of the coaching team.

The average age of our members is 42 years old, our youngest athlete is just 5 years old, and 63% of our members are female.

We have members signed up for the forthcoming 2024/25 period. I expect this to grow significantly as we come to the end of the current membership period. The membership prices have increased to £35 for running members and a discounted rate of £25 for second and subsequent household members. There are memberships packages for athletics also available, starting from £65 for adults and £70 for juniors.

Current memberships will end on 31/03/2024 and you can now register for the coming year here: <https://harc.uk/membership/>. Your new membership will be valid until the end of March 2025.

3. Membership Drive

i In the next 12 months we will continue to promote the club wherever possible. If you have any ideas about how to help our club grow (events we could support/attend to raise awareness of HARC, opportunities to attract new members etc.), please contact the committee.

We continue to develop the athletics side of the club, with a focus on growing our junior membership section. Adults and juniors are very welcome to attend taster sessions – please speak to Chris Lees for more information.

New members can join at any point during the year, and we can cater for all abilities and levels of fitness. If you're unsure about rejoining for the coming year or have friends/family who would like more information, please chat with one of the committee or any of the coaches, who will be happy to help!