



AGM Foreword

I look forward to welcoming you all to our Annual General Meeting, to take place at Durham Amateur Rowing Club on Wednesday 17th October 2018. The AGM is a key event in our club calendar, and it is your opportunity to be involved in decisions which affect the future of your club.

My plan this year is to have a much more reasonable duration of AGM, and to combine it with a social opportunity (a run beforehand and some refreshment afterwards). This is supported by a call for proposals ahead of the meeting, and officers' reports circulated in advance. It is also further made possible due to no roles being contested, and as such no election need take place.

This has been another great year for this club and we should celebrate that success. It would be impossible to summarise in this document every achievement across the wide ranges of disciplines. We will however endeavour to recognise our achievements at our annual Awards Evening.

I want to take this opportunity to place on record my thanks to all who volunteer and give their time, and to all of you who contribute as club members. I want to thank our outgoing officers for the contribution they have made.

I took up the Chair role at a challenging time in this club's history and many of you will recall, my guidance that we should focus on running rather than politics. I'm pleased to observe that we have made significant progress and the club is a better place for it.

This club is held in high regard amongst the running community, and wider community. Aside from our running success, we enjoy a great fellowship through our many activities. We delivered another excellent showcase event in our Willow Miner Trail Race. I was also immensely humbled and proud when we pulled together to support the DKMS parkrun event, and subsequent 24-hour relay – a truly fantastic episode indeed. You should all be very proud of this club and what we can achieve.

We have some key decisions to make regarding our future. I know that changes at our Maiden Castle base will be of concern, and we will table this for due discussion.

Thank you for your ongoing support, and please clear your diaries to join us on the 17th.

Regards

Jonathan Hamill

Chairman