

# RIVIERA TWIRLSTARS

## NOTES OF MEETING HELD ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2014

### 1. Fees

A number of parents have enquired about paying fees by standing order. As this method suited the majority of families including ourselves we have decided that from the 1<sup>st</sup> August the monthly fee will be £18, second/third child £12 payable every month. We have taken into account absences to cover holidays, school events and any other absence. It also enables us to start training on time giving our members more attention. Anyone needing a form please see Lilian.

### 2. Training Programme

From July 2<sup>nd</sup> training on a Wednesday shall be held at Paignton Community & Sports College on the Borough Road site in the main sports hall. Times shall remain the same.

As we have a lot to fit in the time we have, all athletes need to pay attention at training or they could risk not being included in team events.

We would like to remind parents and athletes that all members need to abide by the dress code for training as listed below:

No jewellery (studs only acceptable for pierced ears) or wristbands.  
Hair should be tied up with no loose ends away from the face.  
Clothing should be polo/t-shirt, leggings/shorts or RTS tracksuits.  
Footwear to be jazz shoes or plymsoles.

Can athletes please remember to bring a drink with them as there will be no facilities at this venue.

If anyone cannot attend training it is very important that we know as it affects the training plan when setting routines. Again if we don't know it could affect their place in a team.

### 3. Competitions

As most of are already aware we are members of two associations, I.B.T.A. and B.B.T.F. We are happy for those who want to remain members of both but we are finding it very difficult when a routine is set and then two attend one associations competition and two attend the other one. This means that a lot of work has been spent setting a routine that does not go out on the floor because there is not enough athletes. For this reason we are suggesting that everyone is a member of one association that everyone attends and for those who want to remain members of both we can work around. Please let us have your

choice on this. If you require a description of the two associations please ask.

#### **4. Displays & Carnivals**

We have a list on the board for displays and carnivals already booked and will be putting more on as they come in. To enable us to organise these and put decent displays out we need commitment from everyone. Please check regularly. Nicola will send an e mail out to everyone with dates.

#### **5. Sponsorship**

We have received enquiries to purchase polo shirts advertising our sponsors. These can be ordered through Lilian. It will still be compulsory for all athletes to wear the RTS white polo shirts for the 1<sup>st</sup> day of competitions and seminars.

#### **6. Website & Facebook**

Everyone was reminded about the website and facebook page. If you have not already joined please do so as we will be putting all information of events and news updates on.

#### **7. Race for Life**

The deadline for entering Race for Life was the 8<sup>th</sup> June. Hopefully everyone who intended to do this has now entered. Entries for a child were £10, Lilian & Nicola have already paid this so if anyone who has been entered and not yet paid please pay asap. Anyone wanting t-shirts and tutu skirts please let us have sizes as Jo would like to get the order in before the end of June.

#### **8. Sewing Club**

This has been suggested as a few parents are interested in making costumes for their children. We have enquired about St Boniface Church Hall for one evening a month 6.30 – 9.30pm. Date to arranged. If you are interested please see Lilian.

#### **9. A.O.B.**

We asked the parents for anything they would like to put forward or suggest. We also asked the members the previous night this question. The first thing they commented on was parents talking when we gave out information at the end of a training session. Please note we did not prompt this. They also suggested a reward scheme, which we replied that Nicky has this in place with awards being given out at the Christmas party.

Fundraising was discussed. It was explained that we did bag packing and other sponsored events throughout the year but nothing was organised for the immediate future. Ideally we would like to raise enough funds to pay for all competition entries, at the moment we

paid for teams and athletes paid for their individual events. Donna kindly offered to organise fundraising which was gratefully accepted. Anyone with ideas or suggestions please see Donna.

We were asked if we were intending on any weekend training sessions as it was felt this was an asset especially just before competitions. It was agreed we would look into this and see what we could do.

Nicky was asked if she was managing training on her own to which she said that with the help of Jan, Rhiannon and Danielle was working well. Beth, Jessica & Abby also offered their help which was very much appreciated. On a personal note Nicky also thanked the parents for all the help they had given her with Dylan.

Meeting closed.