

TAC Committee Meeting Minutes

Date and Time	Sunday 15th May 2026 - 4pm
Attendees	Andy Fleet, Carri Vendy, Steph Clouston, Corrina Turner, Lisa Stone, Mike Burris, Suzanne Fleet, Kelly McGill, Cliff Lear, Clare Slattery, Allison Clark, Sam Bellotti, Becky Burris, Russell Slattery
Apologies	Mick Johnson, Caroline Robinson, Jason Beeton, Andrew Smith, Lisa Beeton

1. Welcome - Andy Fleet - Welcome to everyone and thank you for joining us this afternoon.

2. The Club in 2026/27 - Andy

- 2025/26 has been an eventful year for the club. After the AGM last year we had a lot of new faces on the Committee, not least of all me, with some long serving members stepping down from key roles. This has meant new challenges as committee members settled into their respective roles and picked up the reins.
- At the end of August we moved from the Grammar School to Thetford Academy adding further challenges, but we have now settled into our new training grounds and despite one or two hiccups planning permission has now been granted for the permanent lights, which should be up and running for the coming winter.
- September saw us enter the RNR for I think the 18th year, we had a very successful event, TAC placing 37 out of 57 teams with a time of 27 hours, 12 minutes, only 12 minutes adrift of our predicted time, and well under the 29 hour cut off. As usual we also marshalled the Thetford changeover, for the second year at it's new home of Tesco, a much better and safer location.
- Sadly towards the end of 2025, we saw the loss of our long term club mate, cross country manager, coach and previous club chairman Dean Kirton. Dean as most of you will know had been bravely fighting cancer for a very long time, and sadly lost that fight at Xmas. Dean had been part of the club from its beginning, training as a junior, representing the club in many races as junior and senior athlete. A massive turnout from the club paid their respects at his funeral for a celebration of his life. He will never be forgotten.
- 2026 saw the start of a new era, new initiatives and an increase in Junior Coaches. We now offer a 1 month free trial period for all potential new members. The launch of the 50/100 club has ignited the competitive spirit amongst many athletes, both junior and senior gaining points for races and competitions. We also saw the launch of the new website and TAC app. We have weekly updates of members' parkrun, racing and running achievements posted on social media for all to see.
- Finally we saw another hugely successful Breckland 10k take place. Another sold out event and part of the Sportlink Grandprix series. The medal sported a blue ribbon as a homage to Dean's love of a certain football team! Well done Suzanne Fleet on her debut Race Directorship and thank you to all of you who helped and supported the event.

3. Finance - Steph

- Income up to 31 March 2026 = **£15468.45**
- Expenditure up to 31 March 2026 = **£14999.96**
- Profit = **£468.49**

4. Junior Membership Report - Clare

- 23 juniors have renewed their membership for 2026/27
- 3 new members have joined
- 4 juniors having a trial membership
- 13 juniors have not rejoined - this was put down to some not liking the move from the Grammar School to the Academy

5. Senior Membership Report - Kelly

- 71 seniors have renewed their membership for 2026/27
- 3 new members have joined the club
- 2 new enquiries received
- 1 transfer to another club
- 9 members not renewed and removed from the EA website
- Any non members to have access to the TAC app revoked

6. Bill McKim Award

- Andy presented the award to Ann on behalf of Dean for his outstanding contribution to the Club over the year.

7. Election of Committee

- The committee for 2026/27 is as follows:
Chair - Andy Fleet
Vice Chair - Carri Vendy
Treasurer - Peter Turner
Secretary - Corrina Turner
Junior Membership - Clare Slattery
Senior Membership - Kelly McGill
Junior Welfare Officer - Becky Burris
Social Events Coordinator - Becky Burris
Breckland 10k Race Director - Suzanne Fleet
RNR Team Captain - Andy Fleet
Junior Coaching Lead - Jason Beeton
Senior Coaching Lead - Sam Bellotti
Health & Safety/ Risk Assess - Cliff Lear
Kit Manager - Andrew Smith
Committee Members - Allison Clark, Lisa Stone, Mike Burris, Lisa Beeton, Steph Clouston, Kate Measures, Helen Ayres

8. Closing words from Chair - That concludes the business as such for today, thank you everyone once again for turning up, and taking part, thank you to the committee members, both new and those who've been re-elected. Thank you everyone for entrusting me once again with the role of chair. I'll try not to screw it up.

A personal note from me. This last year has been at times challenging, as a committee we've tried to

look at things a little differently to maybe as the past, we've tried very hard to get the juniors and seniors working together more as a team, rather than as two separate entities, I think we've succeeded in that aim, it's been fantastic getting to know the youngsters and watching them grow and achieve as athletes. Something which in the past many seniors never really saw. All athletes junior and senior have made incredible progress in the last year, I for one am so incredibly proud to be a member of such a fantastic club.

As chair I'd like to say a couple of big thank yous, there are two people that I have leaned on heavily in the last year, two people who quite frankly without which I wouldn't have been able to function in this role. Carri and Corrina, a small gesture of appreciation from me.

The Meeting closed at 4.30PM

Dates for future meetings

- Meetings will be held in person only. Location will be The Bell Hotel at 7pm unless advised otherwise

- Meeting dates are as follows:
 - Tuesday 26th May 2026 - new committee members welcome get together
 - Tuesday 14th July 2026
 - Tuesday 8th September 2026
 - Tuesday 10th November 2026
 - Tuesday 12th January 2027
 - Tuesday 9th March 2027