



BARRACUDA TRI CLUB COMMITTEE 2012



Simon Pickering
Chairman

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As Chairman, I'd hope any member would feel able to discuss with me any issues that they might have with the club, both good and bad. I trained with the Barracuda Triathlon club 20 years ago, and I've seen it change from a small and informal group of friends into a professional, organised and diverse club. And diversity will

be my watchword (as long as it's legal). Anyone wishing to join should not feel that they can't because they are not a super-fit, chiseled and toned Ironman addict. The club caters for all body shapes and sizes, all distances, speeds and disciplines and will provide support for anyone who needs assistance and wants to give it a go at whatever level.



Kevin Dean
Treasurer

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The role of treasurer is pretty self explanatory. As I do this kind of work for a living I am pleased to do similar for the Barracudas. I started Triathlon in Jan 2006 when some idiot (Bruce Marr) set a challenge of doing the

London Triathlon later that year. I have now completed 5 Ironman and numerous Half and Olympic distance events. For 2012 I have so far booked the Hull Marathon, Zeebrugge to Nice Bike Ride and 2 Half Ironman distance events.



Antonia Goodison
Secretary

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I see the role of Secretary as being a main support to the Chairperson and organising any Committee related events and main point of contact for the club. My background is long distance running so I am getting used to the swimming

and cycling parts. My ultimate aim is to compete in at least one Ironman and since I joined Barracudas there has been such a lot of support and it's been a great atmosphere so I wanted to become more involved in the club.



Steve Coates
Welfare

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The Club Welfare Officer acts as a first point of contact for any person in a triathlon club who has a concern about child welfare and protection. The role also involves assisting the Club in developing and promoting a young people focused and friendly environment. Further to this, I see the role of any committee member as a facilitator to the success of the club by supporting the

members in any way possible. With that in mind, if I can help I will! For the 2012 season I'm looking forward to avoiding the stresses of long distance training and racing, I'll be doing one or two middle distance tris and a combination of standard and sprint too, allowing me to race more and train less. I'm also excited about continuing my new passion for road racing and time trialling.



Mark Henderson
IT

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My role is to maintain the content and the workings of the club website. It also involves setting up and sorting out the online payments for events and membership. This has proved very popular with members.

My timing business means I'm busy most weekends, so most of my training has to be packed into the week, but I do manage a long ride most Wednesdays with some of the other lads from the club.



James Bray Events/Duathlons

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My role in the club is the Events Coordinator. This involves ensuring the club events that we run (Cliff Pratt and Simply Running Duathlons/Club tri etc.) are well organised and on race day run like a dream. I am very fortunate that my predecessors have pretty much got all these systems in place although there are a few tweaks that I would like to do just to ensure things run even smoother. I got into cycling courtesy of

the "Cycle 2 Work" scheme run by the University of Hull, which subsequently led me into the world of triathlon. I had a really good first season and was able to be reasonably competitive at the local triathlons. This season will be my second season and my aim for this season is to race a few more high profile events as well as continuing to race locally. I believe that I can achieve consistent top 10's over the sprint distance.



Lynda Hields Kit Secretary

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I'm responsible for distributing and selling the club's kit, all of which is good quality and reasonably priced - more details on the club website. If you want any, either get in touch and I'll arrange to drop off or you can often find me at the club's training sessions. My main focus at present is on the Hull Marathon,

as running is my main discipline. I got in to triathlon when I said to my buddy Antonia I would love to do one and she then found the Barracudas to be a friendly bunch. I need to get to grips with the biking aspect and hope to get to the Duathlons this year. I would also like to knock minutes of my Club Tri time this year.



Emma Barraclough Membership

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My role on the committee involves handling the membership, which has been made considerably easier in the last year with the help of Mark and the website! Even so, I think it's important to make a new members entry into the club as easy as possible. I remember being quite nervous about coming along for the first time myself and I was fortunate enough to have several people encouraging me. My first Barracuda experience was in 2007 when Stuart Lumb got me to come along and have a go at a duathlon one Wednesday

evening - I didn't even have a bike helmet back then! Having people around to encourage you to try new and different events I feel is one of the huge benefits of being involved in the club. I probably would have never dared try an Ironman without Sarah Carpenter, or swam in the River Humber without Mark Padley! Whether it be a triathlon, sportive, run event it's always encouraging to see others there sporting the blue and black. I'd like to see the club be as beginner-friendly as possible, whilst supporting our top performers.



Phil Haskins PR/Comms

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I see my role as being both raising awareness of the club and its activities with its own members i.e. internal comms, as well as doing the external stuff e.g. press releases. I need members help to make this happen so please send me any race reports, special achievements, results or any other worthy triathlon related news.

I started triathlon in 2008 and have gradually improved my times, but I don't have a great deal of time to commit to training so there's always room for improvement. This season, I'd like to improve my Steelman time, but will also do a couple of sprint and Olympic races, as well as the club tri.