

**BOFRA AGM 28th February 2022 7pm in person /zoom**

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Chris Aldham - Apologies  
Vicky Bloor - Apologies  
Steve Nicholls – Apologies  
Geoff Thompson - Apologies  
Ian Willis - Apologies

**Election of officers**

All officers happy to remain the same, all agreed.  
Su Thompson - Chairman  
Vicky Bloor - Vice Chair  
Estelle Willis – Secretary  
Kristian Clayton - President  
Paul Crabtree - Treasurer  
Paul Crabtree & Angela Donlan - Perpetual Trophies  
Geoff Thompson - Webmaster, statistician & results

**Committee members**

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## 2022 BOFRA AGM

### Chairman's Report.

2021. What can I say? The year that nearly didn't happen but in the end, we jumped through hoops, sanitised our hands and carried on.

The major casualties in terms of races were the show races due to insurance companies placing, in my view, unrealistic expectations and excesses on the show organisers.

Despite these higher than average hurdles, we staged 12 races, salvaged a championship, and every single one could be rated a success

Even the weather was largely kind but that could be my rose tinted viewpoint. Except for the first and last race which were both mist shrouded or clag coated depending on your choice of vocabulary. To be fair, this simply added to the fun.

Membership and attendance at races was up on 2019. I think this is wholly attributable to the fact we were prevented from racing in 2020 and we all wanted to get back out there and race. Thank you to all who came and supported us. Long may it continue.

Sedbergh Gala did not happen but the gala has returned for 2022 and the race is an integral part of it.

Kirkby Gala itself was a victim of insurance company policy but Roger Rushton and his team pulled out all the stops to make us all feel very welcome in their corner of Cumbria. For some, it was the only chance to get away this year and it felt good to just be out and enjoying life like a normal human being. The new race route proved popular despite being far more runnable with no hiding places for the unfit. Roger has already confirmed that the Gala will happen in 2022 and we will be using the new route to avoid the, as he calls it, unhelpful farmer.

Farleton Knott was a victim of conservation rather than insurance but we managed a new, shorter route that will be used again in future. That said, the new route proved popular with only one (tall) person saying that it was a route for midgets!

As Reeth Show was cancelled, we were left with a gap on the August Bank Holiday Monday. Hebden Sports to the rescue as David Hoole and his team agreed to let us use their low key but extremely popular race as an alternative. Many would like this race to be in the calendar in future but unless either Reeth or Hebden change their date, this is unlikely. A veritable shame.

Kilnsey Show excelled itself this year as the idiots stayed away making it a much less stressful event on the day.

Another gap in the calendar allowed us to use Bradley Fell race as a champs race. BOFRA have always supported this race and indeed the organiser is a past chairman of BOFRA. In 2021, to Tim agreed to let us use it as a champs race and, aside from a dislocated shoulder, it was a great success.

Sadly, 2021, will be the last time we host the Embsay race for a while. The local farmer and some villagers pressed the last of many buttons and we have decided to use Bradley Fell race instead in 2022 and going forwards.

Wasdale Sheep Meet. Another pared down event in terms of show but the organisers were determined that some sort of event take place, for which we are grateful. The weather put on a show though, in the form of clag that had some runners taking varied routes off the top. This is a race that never disappoints and it continued to do so.

The presentation was a roaring success with more attendees than normal. Many couldn't attend due to prior engagements but if they had come, we would have had to knock out an external wall and extend into the car park!

Thanks to everyone involved in making BOFRA what it is and I look forward to another successful season in 2022.

**See attached treasurers report.**

**Statisticians report** discussed members were up, races were well attended.

**Calendar of races** discussed and these will be confirmed on the BOFRA website, a race calendar will be printed for 2022.

**Membership Fees** will remain the same for 2022 (£15 for seniors, £7 for juniors, £30 for families)

**Race entry fees** will also remain the same £5 for Seniors, £2 Juniors

**New membership form** A new more detailed membership form will be created to enable members to enter at their first race, then just give their name at following races. All non members will have to continue to complete entry forms for each race.

**Sponsorship** - Yorkshire Runner, Inov-8, Gr8ful, Tim Done Clinics, SMN Tree & Landscape Management. Please put adds on calendars and website links.

Numbers sponsor - Yorkshire Runner .  
Car stickers to be ordered.

Thank you to all our sponsors.

BRITISH OPEN FELL RUNNERS ASSOCIATION  
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE NATWEST ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST JANUARY 2022  
SEASON 2021

INCOME

Sponsorship & Donations £ 500.00  
Race Entry Fees £7606.00  
Membership fees £3524.00  
Race Raffles £00  
Presentation Dinner (tickets) £2386.00  
Presentation Dinner (fund raising) £ 445.00  
Car Parking £ 359.70  
Sundry Items £00  
TOTAL INCOME £14,820.70

EXPENDITURE

Prize Money £3839.00  
Race Trophies £1770.51  
Float £ 30.00  
Toilet Hire £360.00  
T-Shirts(S.Brooks) £876.00  
Presentation Trophies £2003.24  
Donations £300.00  
Car Stickers(Willow Service £ 501.70  
Presentation Meal £2794.00  
Presentation Deposit £ 195.00  
Presentation Gifts £ 426.34  
Sundries £ 306.95  
Bradley Fell Race Profit Share £ 162.00  
TOTAL EXPENDITURE £13,564.76

SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR £ 1,255.96

This is a true statement of the accounts dated 31st January 2022