



Gloucester Athletic Club

Est. 1880

November 2023



The club awards

Will be held at Blackfriars (off Southgate Street) on Saturday 18th November. The sub-committee are meeting this weekend to determine the winners, but all nominees will be emailed next week, winners will only be declared on the night! It will also be the AGM as part of the evening.

Disabled Toilet

Funding has been assured and the contract has been signed for our new disabled toilet and changing room to replace the existing portaloo at the track entrance. We only await a start date, but we fully expect there will be no disruption to track use although there may be a little to the car parking for a while along the side of the clubhouse. We have a 100 p.c. grant for this work and no track fee income has had to be allocated.

Bob Purcell

Archaeological Dig

There will be another archaeological dig on the Blackbridge Field for seven (? working) days starting Monday 6th November. This is going to be quite comprehensive – 17 trenches in all covering pretty much all of the field. It will be out of use for training over this time and also possibly for car parking.

Bob Purcell

Help at competitions

We are very grateful to the volunteers and officials who have supported the club this season. We would welcome more volunteers and officials for next year to take the pressure off those who support nearly every event. The more volunteers and officials means more flexibility around the number of events each volunteer and official have to support. If we had 10 time keeper and 10 track judges each official; would only need to help at 2 events and not feel guilty when not helping. We'd need about 15 field judges. Email Dave Hardy if you'd like to explore helping.

djhardy@btinternet.com It is enjoyable!

Midland Counties Athletics Association are looking for volunteers to help with organisation and running of the spring and autumn road relays.

They are also looking for officials to help out.

James Walters

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Cross Country

Entries for the Gloucestershire CC League close on Tuesday 31st October. The first race is on Nov 4th.

The first fixture of the Birmingham & District Cross Country League is on Saturday 11th November.

We do need a good turn out by the senior men to support this, as staying in Division One this year will be tough, with some good teams being promoted at the end of last season. The good news is that that the first fixture is in Cheltenham, so travel will be easy.

Please note that the fixture is 'officially' promoted by Cheltenham Harriers, but supported by CLC and Gloucester AC.

We will need to help set-up, marshal, take down the course. Speaking to the guys at Cheltenham, they don't need a lot of bodies, but if anyone can help please let me know.

Obviously, for the men, the priority is to race (although we could help set-up/take down the course), but if anyone from the club can spare a few hours, please let me know.

The other dates for the Birmingham League fixture

2nd December (Wolverhampton)
13th January (Birmingham University)
10th February (Rugby & Northampton)

Entry for all 4 races is through me as team manager; there is no fee.

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Dave Gresswell

Road Running

British Masters Road Relays 19

November at Mallory Park,
Leicestershire.

We'd like to take a couple of teams if there's enough interest. Masters are 35 years old plus.

People can contact Owen Parry on Owen Parry

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Officials enjoying judging and time keeping cross country racing.
They would love you to join them!

