



# Gloucester Athletic Club

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Just a quick reminder that **individual track fees** are going up from April 1st - £2.50 for club members, £5.00 for non-members.

Track users will have noticed **a new building** just inside the track gates. This is a Changing Place - an accessible toilet and changing room designed exclusively for the use of the large number of people with a disability who use our track on a near daily basis. We have pretty well decided to retain the existing portaloo for the convenience of all track users, especially for when the clubhouse might not be available but we're considering relocating this closer to the Podsmead Rd gate.

Finally, we are planning **Spring Cleaning** days for both clubhouse and track on April 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00. We have a list of jobs that need doing so if you have any availability do let us know. Both Club and Track are entirely dependent for their existence on a small band of, often aging, volunteers, so please offer help if you can. The future IS bright, the future IS red and white, but only if we all take ownership of it.

Bob and Ian

## **membership renewal.**

It's nearly time for **membership renewal**. I'll be sending invoices online through the England Athletics system as usual from Tuesday 2 April 2024 for membership year 2024-25. It might take a few days for me to send them all out, so don't worry if you don't get an email straight away. Please make sure your details are up to date on your England Athletics account.

If you have any questions, like you think you've been invoiced for an incorrect membership type/amount etc, please email me at [membership@gloucesterac.co.uk](mailto:membership@gloucesterac.co.uk) rather than pay an incorrect invoice.

The club would really appreciate you renewing your membership promptly as your membership fees fund the clubs activities.

If you haven't renewed your membership by the England Athletics June 2024 deadline, you won't be able to compete in the various leagues & events the club enters, or get affiliated athlete reduced entry prices at races you may enter yourself. Non-members also have to pay the higher track fee amount.

Any questions, please let me know.

Thanks,

Owen

Gloucester AC Membership Secretary.

## **Spring Open Meeting**

The club is hosting an **open track and field meeting** 28/04, which is a big fund raising event for the club. One of the ways that we raise funds is through the sale of refreshments. To do this we need donations of cakes/flapjacks/brownies etc (both homemade or shop bought are welcomed) and volunteers to sell the refreshments.

If you are able to help please can you email [james.r.walters13@gmail.com](mailto:james.r.walters13@gmail.com) and put OPEN MEETING REFRESHMENTS in the subject header of the email. Please can you let me know if you are donating and/or volunteering (if volunteering what time you are available to help. All assistance, no matter how small, is greatly appreciated.

There will be electronic timing for all races, so please put the date in the diary as this meeting will be popular! We will need volunteers to help out on the day as this is the main source of fundraising for the club, so please get in contact with Steve on [sensiblesteve@hotmail.com](mailto:sensiblesteve@hotmail.com) to offer your help.