

Development Committee Report

The volunteers who formed the sub group were Mike Neighbour, Richie Pearson, Richard Dean Terry & Eileen Williams, Jackie Tobin. They met several times during the year

Two Hampshire Grand Prix' events were organised: One for over 15 and the other for U15 events. Both were successful in that there were many pbs due to good quality competition for athletes and it raised some money for the association. It was also well supported by our wonderful officials.

We were fortunate that Joanne Cridland and Kevin Way offered to organise a coaching day for U15 aged athletes. They were selected initially from their places in the schools U13/ 14 championships; 45 have signed up. Coaches have been selected from a variety of clubs. The aim is to encourage those not in a club to join no preferences are to be given to the athletes and those in clubs by recognising their achievements hopefully it will encourage them to continue. The coaching day is being held at Winchester on March 31st, athletes are contributing towards the cost. The coaches are being given payment and Jo and Kevin are to given an payment by way of an honorarium for the hours of work.

Two days have been pencilled in for the two competitions to run as before next summer. We are at the moment not able to go ahead due to no pacers for races.