

Secretary's Report 2022-2023.

We have achieved much this year and I want to start by saying what a great Committee we have. Like everyone else they are all volunteers but together their expertise and knowledge is enormous and has helped us to achieve a new logo, new uniform ordering system, upgrade to our website, some urgent changes to a course or venue, Friendship runs, varied and practical programmes and financial stability. We also manage all the bookings for venues, the Visitors Registration table, keep equipment up to scratch, medical kit, helpers list, Facebook updates and more.

It was great to see the work and dedication of Richard and Barbara Blurton acknowledged by AMA in their awards this year. Richard with a Distinguished Service Award and Barbara as Administrator of the Year 2023.

Our membership covers a wide variety of ages and abilities from our high achievers who we admire and applaud to those of us who are here for the camaraderie and a bit of exercise. We encourage everyone to participate as you don't have to be first over the line to enjoy a sense of achievement. Just finishing is a big achievement for some members. We have encouraged all by having early starts, short course events, handicap events, our own Cross-Country Championships and a Club Half Marathon. Whether at Sunday mornings or Tuesday and Thursday nights we encourage everyone to have a go and see what you can achieve. You can often surprise yourself.

Of course, as I always say, we couldn't manage without our many volunteers. Our thanks go to them all. Every offer of help contributes to keeping our Club running smoothly and safely. By working together our Club continues to be a safe and welcoming environment.

Gillian Young

MAWA Secretary