

Officials' Co-ordinator - Report - July 2011

Technical Officials at Coventry Godiva Harriers have continued to support the club in all competitions. This has been the case even when we have had busy weekends with both Saturday and Sunday requiring officials. Things have been slightly easier recently with our non-participation in the Junior League, and should be considerably easier now that we are no longer in the National Women's League. Whilst this is a shame from the point of view of high level competition, it certainly makes life easier for our band of committed technical officials.

One or two officials have not been active recently; it's possible we have seen the last of them. However, we have been able to welcome Francis and Kathleen Crook (a highly experienced timekeeper and a highly rated marksman) to Coventry, having moved down from Lancashire. We have also enabled Barry Knights to attend both the field and track-judging courses. Hopefully he will go on to become fully qualified by the end of the season. Our weak area - starting - may be attracting a recruit, with Sloane Keir expressing interest and hoping a course can be arranged this summer.

We still need more officials of course. If anyone else is interested, or if you know of someone who is, please let me know. The role of a technical official is both satisfying and extremely rewarding.

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