



## Captains Report AGM

February 2021

Centurions we are all too well aware of the difficult year that sport has had and it is with sadness to relate the passing of 11 Centurions notwithstanding this it is with little doubt that all of us have worry for our friends and family.

Usually we have much to report on the racing front but with Government restrictions the opportunity to race and train together has been few and far between being mainly restricted to virtual races and the recent Cecil Gittins promotion, the cancelation of our event was a blow to those who had put much hard work in training. Over this year in place of promoting our race at other race walking and endurance events much time has been spent on phone and zoom calls encouraging those athletes who were disappointed last year and to others new to the 100 mile race to take on the challenges of a track 100 mile race which we hope to organise in August at Southend, its encouraging to relate that our event is held in high regard with athletes were we have had that chance to promote the race and our history, we will continue to do so and remind the AGM that volunteers are a major part of any race, recent archive material received for the 1949 track race in Bradford over 100 volunteers and judges were present 40 of which were lap recorders.

I am indebted to the committee for their support particularly our President and the Hon Secretary for her work done with the web site giving us a platform to promote Centurions1911 in conversation with prospective entrants we have an important point of contact for them and I would urge all to use the contact form to keep in touch and to promote us were you can.

Despite the difficulties of last year we can look forward with optimism that Government restrictions allowing we are well placed to promote and to attract entrants to one of the great sporting challenges, I am sure that those not joining me on the start line will assist in whatever way they can.

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