



Chairman's Report 2016

I sit here; not really sure what to write after hearing the sad news that Betty Downes passed away, Monday 25th July 2016. She had been taken ill earlier in the day and did not recover. Betty was a great woman, a great official, a volunteer and a friend to athletes, parents, fellow officials and committee members. I saw her as an inspiration on how she kept going. On behalf of the League we pass on our thoughts and best wishes to her family at this time.

I was also saddened to hear that our Secretary; Lynne Moody has resigned from her post due to personal reasons, therefore myself and our Treasurer' Sharon Jacks have to find a suitable person or persons to help steer the ship. On the same note Sharon Morris is also moving away from Sportshall due to work commitments. Both ladies have been very important in modernising and improving the way the League works and will be missed. Good Luck to you both and Thank You.

Pam Rayment has also confirmed she won' be Team Managing for Birchfield Harriers next season.

But we have to keep looking forward and encourage different persons to continue the good work. Therefore I would strongly suggest that we all speak to our new crop of parents of athletes competing to see if we can get people to help us with running of the League; even if this means splitting some of the current roles.

North Solihull Sports Centre has been a great venue for and have agreed to continue to accommodate us at a reasonable costing along with superb facilities for the 2016-17 season. The Saturday evenings will continue.

I am looking forward to the forthcoming season and hopefully we will have a competitive competition.

Yours In Sport
Chris Brook
Chair