

## The Fell Runners Association

## Job Description: Membership Secretary

Role	The Membership Secretary is responsible for managing the FRA's membership database and is the primary point of contact for membership-related enquiries from other committee members and from existing and prospective FRA members.
Main purposes of the role	<ol> <li>To oversee and manage the FRA's membership database (held on SiEntries) and member records, liaise with SiEntries and ensure that all memberships are paid up and validated.</li> <li>To act as a point of contact for FRA members and non-members who have queries about FRA membership.</li> <li>To ensure that the English and British Fell Championship results accurately reflect athlete eligibility.</li> <li>To supply mailing data, e.g. to publishers of the FRA Handbook and Fellrunner.</li> <li>To provide a direct link between the FRA and England Athletics Membership Services.</li> </ol>
Key tasks	<ol> <li>Download the FRA's membership database from SiEntries regularly and provide reports when required, e.g. for committee meetings and each Fellrunner edition.</li> <li>Prepare and distribute renewal information each November and chase those who have not renewed (between December and April).</li> <li>Receive and bank cheques (about ten per year) and occasionally take payments by other means such as credit/debit card, and make manual adjustments to SiEntries as required.</li> <li>Handle membership enquiries via the associated FRA email account and make changes on SiEntries when members are unable to make the changes themselves.</li> <li>Manage family memberships and handle cases where children cease to be eligible for such, and offer honorary membership each year to over-85s.</li> <li>Arrange for postage of FRA Handbooks and Fellrunner magazines, including printing of labels, and liaise with publishers and printers as necessary.</li> <li>Assist the FRA's Liaison Officer to Athletics Bodies in liaising with Membership Services at England Athletics regarding the status of FRA members with dual club membership.</li> <li>Liaise with the FRA's Senior and Junior statisticians regarding eligibility for Championships.</li> <li>Occasionally provide an FRA presence at races and display the FRA banner and/or flag with the aim of encouraging more active fell runners to join the FRA.</li> </ol>
Required skills and facilities	<ol> <li>Sufficient IT competency to allow for interaction with SiEntries and for the carrying out of database searches and occasional data analysis tasks (normally using Microsoft Excel).</li> <li>Excellent communication skills and the ability to respond to membership-related queries promptly (under normal circumstances).</li> <li>Extreme discretion (e.g. with personal data) and a layman's understanding of data protection laws and when to ask for advice on these from the FRA's GDPR officer (the Secretary).</li> </ol>
Required liaison	<ol> <li>SiEntries (as of 2019, Martin Stone and Mark Hawker) regarding the membership system and database.</li> <li>The FRA Liaison Officer to Athletics Bodies and occasionally England Athletics or UK Athletics, for athlete eligibility purposes.</li> <li>The Senior and Junior FRA statisticians, regarding eligibility for Championship races.</li> <li>Other FRA Committee members when required, e.g. the Secretary for disciplinary matters.</li> <li>FRA members (and prospective members) and families.</li> <li>Occasionally, publishers and printers.</li> </ol>