

Colchester Hockey Club AGM Minutes 2008-09

Thursday 25th June 2009

Castle Park Pavilion Club House

Meeting opened 7:50pm

Present: Shivaun Tijou, Andy Bryant, Paul Harris, Chris Church, Naomi Allen, Anna-Marie Bradley, Jacqui Crombie, Sarah Rose, Karen Harris, Kate Bagley, Emma Sanford, Ben Harrington, Oliver Harrington, Paul Short, Richard Walker, Mark Kennedy, Mike Pearce, Charles Hardern, George Wright, Jo Bidgood, Wayne Masters, Steve Thorpe, Stewart Steel, Joe Gray, Bryan Patterson, Peter Crafford, Tim Logan, Minal Patel, Jess Wilson, Evie Hampson, Will Reid

1. Apologies for absence

Teresa Brown, Christine Andrews, Julie, Richard and Alfie Sexton, Tony Elston, Julie Hayward, Helen Barnes, Paul Hollingsworth, Stella Layzell, Jack Gardner, Lucy Struth, Christine Roberts, Andrew Walker, Tony Rich, Lorraine Arthur, Rosemary Prince, Anna Foley, Helen Wall, Rohan Khaira, David Pearce, Nigel Hillyard, Emma Cresswell-Maynard, Sue Cross, Martin Beaver, Gordon How

2. i. Minutes of the 2008 AGM

Notification had been given that the minutes were available to view on the club website.

ii. Matters arising

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

Bryan Patterson proposed the minutes be accepted, Wayne Masters seconded. Motion carried.

3. Reports (see attached)

i. Club captain

The report was circulated by email prior to the AGM. Bryan gave a recap.

ii. Team captains

Reports were received from Ladies' 1sts, Ladies' 2nds, Ladies' 3rds, Men's 1sts, Men's 3rds, Men's 4ths, Men's 5ths and read out.

iii. Youth

A report was received from the Junior Manager and read out.

iv. Secretary

A report was received from the Secretary and read out.

v. any other reports

A verbal report was made by the Social Secretaries thanking those who had turned up to support the events during the season (quiz nights and a Curryoke evening). Please give ideas for future events and encourage people to come along as it means more money can be raised for the club.

4. Club accounts and Treasurer's report

The Treasurer presented the Income and Expenditure Statement 2008-09 and Balance Sheet as at 30th April 2009. Although membership fees had been increased this season, this generated less income than the previous year. However, the rise in match fees accounted for more income than the previous year by £4000. There was excess income of £282 over expenditure.

There was a query from the floor about the doubling of rent from Colchester Sports Club since the previous season. This would be explained in agenda item 6.

Mike Pearce proposed the accounts be accepted, seconded by Jacqui Crombie. Motion carried.

5. England Hockey's Policy on Safeguarding and Protecting Young People in Hockey/appointment of Welfare Officer

As part of CHC's affiliation to England Hockey, the club is bound to accept the England Hockey Policy on Safeguarding and Protecting Young People in Hockey. This was done at a committee meeting in April. One important part was to appoint a Welfare Officer to the committee. Kate Bagley accepted the position.

6. Proposal for 'Licence to Occupy' clubhouse (attached to the agenda)

Bryan Patterson gave an outline of the Colchester and East Essex Cricket Club's proposal to the previous CHC Club Captain and committee for a 'Licence to Occupy' whereby CHC would become a tenant and pay a Licence Fee to cover overhead costs (such as heating, electricity) but not capital costs (such as structural repairs). There were many benefits to CHC taking this option rather than remaining part of the Colchester Sports Club running the clubhouse. There were no queries from the floor.

The following proposals were made:

i. That Colchester Hockey Club agrees to the 'License to Occupy' drawn up by Colchester and East Essex Cricket Club and become a Licensee of the Castle Park pavilion.

Proposed by Andy Bryant, seconded by Emma Sanford. Motion carried with one vote against.

ii. That Colchester Hockey Club acts with Colchester and East Essex Cricket Club to dissolve the Colchester Sports Club.

Proposed by Bryan Patterson, seconded by Chris Church. Motion carried.

7. Constitution rule change proposals

To reflect the future dissolution of the Colchester Sports Club, references to it needed to be removed from the constitution, as well as the name changes of some committee positions and the introduction of new positions.

i. CHC Constitution amendment: Section 1c (changes are underlined)

1 Title and Objects

(c) The Club shall provide for its members such amenities as the Management Committee deems desirable and to promote the playing of hockey.

Proposed by Paul Short, seconded by Wayne Masters. Motion carried.

ii. CHC Constitution amendment: Section 3 (changes are underlined)

3 Officers of the Club

(a) The Honorary Officers of the Club shall be the Club Captain, Secretary, Treasurer, Fixture Secretary, Umpires Secretary, Social Secretary, League

Team Captains, Veterans Team Captains, Chair of Selection (Men), Chair of Selection (Ladies), Welfare Officer, Junior Manager, Youth Representative (Men), and Youth Representative (Ladies), all of whom shall be members of the Club and be elected by the membership at the Annual General Meeting.

Proposed by Emma Sanford, seconded by Ben Harrington. Motion carried.

(b) The Club Captain shall have the option to be known as 'Club Chairman', or by any other such similar title, until their retirement from that position.

Proposed by Shivaun Tijou, seconded by George Wright. Motion carried.

iii. CHC Constitution amendment: Section 4 (changes are underlined)

4 Management Committee

The management of the Club shall be vested in a Management Committee that is elected by the membership at the Annual General Meeting.

The Management Committee shall comprise of the following Honorary Officers of the Club - Club Captain, Secretary, Treasurer, Fixture Secretary, Umpires Secretary, Social Secretary, League Team Captains, Veterans Team Captains, Chair of Selection (Men), Chair of Selection (Ladies), Welfare Officer, Junior Manager, Youth Representative (Men), and Youth Representative (Ladies).

The quorum of a management meeting will be 50% of the Management Committee providing the meeting has been properly called.

Proposed by Chris Church, seconded by Will Reid. Motion carried.

8. Election of Officers

Club captain	Bryan Patterson
Secretary	Shivaun Tijou
Treasurer	Ben Harrington
Fixture Secretary	Michael Pearce
Social Secretaries	Sarah Rose and Jacqui Crombie
Junior Manager	Helen Wall
Kit Manager	Georgina Wright
200 Club Secretaries	Sarah Rose and Jacqui Crombie
Chair of selectors (men)	vacancy (formerly Richard Walker)
Chair of selectors (ladies)	Wayne Masters (formerly vacant)
Sports Club Representatives	(position became defunct after agreement to Licence)
Umpire Secretary	vacancy (formerly Steve Thorpe)
Welfare Officer	Kate Bagley (new position)
Youth Representatives	vacancy

Team captains:

Men's 1st Rohan Khaira

Men's 2 nd	vacancy (formerly Ed Nott - Adrian Meadows has expressed interest)
Men's 3 rd	vacancy (formerly Charlie Hardern)
Men's 4 th	vacancy (formerly Will Reid)
Men's 5 th	vacancy (formerly Ben Harrington)
Men's Vets	vacancy (formerly Hugh Barrett - league team has been disbanded)
Ladies' 1 st	Naomi Allen
Ladies' 2 nd	George Wright (formerly Helen Wall)
Ladies' 3 rd	Emma Sanford (formerly Nikki Brown)
Ladies' Vets	Anna Foley
Sunday Mixed	Ben Mynott (new position)

Other team captains will be decided at the start of the season when the teams' players are known.

Election of officers proposed by Jacqui Crombie, seconded by Karen Harris. Motion carried.

9. Nomination for Life Membership

Bob Parmenter and Julie Sexton were nominated for Life Membership, both having supported the club for many years. Both accept their nominations and will continue to give their support to the club.

Proposed by Mark Kennedy, seconded by Sarah Rose. Motion carried.

10. Any Other Business

Garrison carpark: There have been some problems during this past season with lack of spaces on some match days and trainings that overlap with athletics. The club is in discussion with Sodexo, the organisation which maintains the garrison facilities, about obtaining more parking spaces.

Playing/coaching subcommittee: This was set up this season to be separate from the management committee and responsible for playing and coaching matters. Naomi Allen has offered to chair it in the next season. The sub-committee will concentrate on development, especially integrating the youngsters while not excluding the older members.

Club sponsorship: President Alan Hills and Hills Residential's sponsorship comes to an end at the close of next season. The club is in talks with a potential new sponsor. It may be useful to appoint a Sponsorship Officer to investigate more sponsorship opportunities and grants.

Men's training: The new team training for next season has all the men on Wednesday night. There is an overlap between the men's 3rds, 4ths and 5ths with the men's 1sts and 2nds, where the former will have no coach. This may be discouraging for those players. Tony Elston, who has offered to coach the men (with the agreement of the men's 1st team), has suggested one and a half hours on Monday night for men's 3rds, 4ths and 5ths, and two hours on Wednesday night for 1sts and 2nds. This will mean an extra half hour add to the pitch bill every week. Some of the 1sts and 2nds then might be able to come along to Monday night to help. The club is advertising for more coaches and may think about training up some new coaches.

CRB checks: It was asked when they were being undertaken. A Welfare Officer had to be appointed first and now that that has been done, CRB checks on all adults who are regularly with the young hockey members can be organised.

Meeting closed 9pm