

NPLHC 2020 ‘Virtual’ AGM (due CV19 pandemic) Sat 27th June 2020 17:00

CV19 Pandemic

Towards the latter part of 2019 an outbreak of a particularly contagious strain of the Coronavirus family, known as CV19, originated in China. The virus has spread quickly throughout the globe and was classified as a Pandemic by the WHO a few months after the outbreak. As a result, many countries (including the UK) instigated a period of what is known as ‘lockdown’ which has restricted the population’s movements and prevented any gatherings. Part of this process was also to instigate ‘Social distancing’ which requires everyone to keep a safe distance from each other, all to help contain the spread of the virus.

As a result, this year’s AGM was held ‘virtually’ with no club or committee members physically present or in a conference call. As such, all items/motions noted in the agenda (and detailed below) have been carried automatically on the above-mentioned date/time, taking into account member’s queries. Club awards will be made at the Brian Ware day, if possible, in September.

It is also noted that, due to the ‘lockdown’, the 2019/20 season finished prematurely with a few games left un-played. The Summer hockey league has also been affected with no games played to date, although it may be possible to salvage a handful of games subject to government advice. The forthcoming season is under constant review.

Apologies:

N/A

1. Approval of 2019 AGM minutes and matters arising

2019 minutes approved with no queries.

2. Annual Reports – See separate files

Chairman - Ram Sharma

1st XI Capt - Ved Dhyani

2nd XI Capt – Curt Bryant

Ladies Capt - Lynda Harris

Treasurer - Harry

3. Formal review/acceptance of NPLHC club accounts 2019/20 – See separate file

2019/20 Club Accounts approved.

Confirmation of Subs* for next season (which includes NPLSC membership Fees** – all payable to the Hockey Club):

Adult members £335

New Adult joiners (1st season only) £235

Junior/Student (<18yrs at start of season) £100

Goalkeepers £55

*Subs are provisional figures dependent on whether a full season can be played.

**NPLSC fees are provisional at this stage (currently £35)

As a club we are now no longer accepting cheques, just direct bank transfers.

All members have to be members also of NPLSC regardless of whether or not they use the NPLSC facilities. This membership must be paid for at the start of next season.

4. Election of President for 2020/21

Nigel Scandrett duly elected

5. Election of Chairperson for 2020/21

SJ Roberts duly elected

6. Election of Committee and Captains for 2019/20 – all duly elected

Vice-Chair – Ved Dhyani

Treasurer - Harry Mann

Secretary - Will Walker

Captains - 1st XI - Glen D'Sa

2nd XI - Curt Bryant

Ladies - Lynda Harris

Fixtures - Curt Bryant/Alison

Men's Summer hockey - Donald Dunbar
Social Sec - Zoe McLeod
Marketing - Ian Browne
Welfare - Janine Pembroke
Co- opted - David Roberts and Chris Frank

7. AOB

a) Condition of membership/Code of Conduct:

‘All players shall maintain respect for other players, coaches and umpires. Sportsmanlike behaviour is expected from all players at all times when representing the club or in training.

All players should be prepared to play, without complaint, for whichever team they are chosen to represent.

Players may be asked by the Captains to play up or down a team and should agree to this willingly unless genuine personal circumstances prevent them from doing so.

Prompt payment of subscriptions is expected.’

b) Recruitment

It is noted that progress is being made with an advertising initiative co-ordinated by Ian Browne, including a website refresh (see link below). Funds have been made available by the Trustees of the Brian Ware fund to support this.

Further discussions are taking place to discuss other ideas – all suggestions are welcome, particularly from members who may have links to organisations which may be able to help.

c) Use of the old NPL Bowls green

The possibility has arisen of using the Bowls green at NPL as a training pitch for NPLHC. Further investigations and assessments of suitability are continuing with a view to using this regularly.

As part of this, it may be that we will require volunteers to help re-furbish the old Bowls clubhouse. Further comms will be forthcoming.

8. Member's Q & As

Only two members replied to the committee with comments/questions – please see separate file which has the details. It includes, as requested, a predicted budget for the forthcoming season.

Meeting closed.