

# Alton Hockey Club Annual General Meeting Thursday 18th May, 7.30pm, Worldham Golf Club

**Attendees:** Dave Harvey, Matt Steven, Gayle Moir, Martin Kercher, Robin Kemp, Pete Tynan, Dave Compton, Nick Godfrey, Ian Southgate, Caroline Orange, Adrian Trim, Colin Gamble, Bex Chester, Sophie Wallace, Gary Ward

**Apologies:** Vicky Small, Lawrence Jones, Andrew Stratford, John Smith, Jo Ryan, Grev Coomber, John Wallace, Richard Moffat

#### **MINUTES**

### **Chairman's Remarks - Dave Harvey**

Thank you to all those who have volunteered in some capacity with the Club this year. Spreading the load and working together has helped to produce another successful year. Particularly congratulations to all the men's teams who were promoted. The junior awards last week were hugely uplifting and a fantastic celebration of the way the Club is growing - well done to all the junior players and their parents. Fundraising efforts this year have been excellent and although we still do not have a second pitch we are getting closer.

### **Treasurers Report - Matt Steven**

The Club has ended the season with a £4.5k *surplus*. The treasurer noted that this should not be viewed as a profit as it will be reinvested over the coming season.

Subscription payments were collected very efficiently this season, but there have been issues with collecting match fees, in particular from juniors. The membership form makes clear that match fees are payable. The junior managers will be asked to implement a more robust system for collecting match fees next season.

The introduction of family membership has worked well and there have been more social members this year.

Dave Harvey thanked Matt for his hard work.

Dave Compton proposed adopting the accounts, Robin Kemp seconded - carried unanimously.

#### **Subscription Rates - Matt Steven**

Matt has analysed our rates compared to other Hampshire clubs and reported that our subscription falls in the middle of the price range. He recommended no change to the rate, but asked the AGM to bear in mind that pitch hire is the main outgoing and if the number of players and thus the number of training sessions were to continue to increase, then the subscription rate would need to be reviewed.

Colin Gamble reminded the AGM of his proposal that subscribed members who umpire a game will have their next match fee waved. Dave Harvey thanked Colin for the proposal

and reminded and confirmed that the Executive Committee had agreed to implement this for 2017-18.

Gary Ward proposed agreeing the recommendations, Caroline Orange seconded - carried unanimously.

## **Changes to the Constitution - Dave Harvey**

Dave introduced the proposed changes to the constitution which had been circulated to all members during April. Members present queried the aim of the changes and Dave explained that the Club needs to modernise the way it operates. We now have a large Executive Committee with lengthy meetings in which it is often hard to reach a consensus. There are also several additional committees and working groups (Fundraising Committee, Junior Committee, ClubMark working group, Selection Committee).

The members present discussed the proposal and consensus was that the Club should aim to move to a structure with a small, efficient Executive Committee that can steer the Club and purposeful sub-committees. Sub-committees would need agreement from the Executive on responsibility, accountability and authority as well as clear reporting lines.

The members present did not feel that the proposed constitutional changes were sufficient. Furthermore, there were not enough members present and proxy votes to reach a quorum required for constitutional change.

The members present asked the Executive Committee to re-table constitutional changes that fully address the need to modernise and restructure.

# **Election of Officers - Dave Harvey**

Dave thanked everyone again for all their efforts this year. Elections are below. All officers were elected unanimously.

### **Closing Remarks - Dave Harvey**

We have an exciting summer ahead with men's summer league and some small sided inter-club hockey at Lord Wandsworth followed by Club Day is on 2nd September. Dave thanked everyone who had attended the AGM and members of the committees for their hard work over the 2016-17 season.

Position	2016-17	2017-18		
President	John Smith	John Smith		
Chairman	Dave Harvey	Dave Harvey		
Treasurer	Matt Steven	Matt Steven		
Secretary	Richard Moffat	Richard Moffat		
Membership Secretary	Matt Steven	Matt Steven		
Junior Chairman	Pete Tynan	Pete Tynan		
Welfare Officer	Gayle Moir	Gayle Moir		
Social Secretary	Lawrence Jones	Bex & Paul Chester		
Fixtures Secretary	Ian Southgate	Ian Southgate		
Publicity Officer	Victoria Small	Victoria Small		
Director of Coaching	Soma Singh	Soma Singh		
Umpiring Officer	Lawrence Jones	Ian Southagte		
Discipline Officer	Dave Harvey	Dave Harvey		
Sponsorship & Fundraising	Fundraising Committee	TBC		
Volunteer Co-ordinator	New for 2017-18	Gary Ward		
Media/Webmaster	New for 2017-18	TBC		
Junior Team Managers				
U18 boys	New for 2017-18	TBC		
U18 girls	New for 2017-18	Gary Ward		
U16 boys	Jo Ryan	Simon Cooney/Gareth Morgan		
U16 girls	Gary Ward	Grev Coomer/Matt Steven		
U14 boys	Gareth Morgan	Pete Tynan		
U14 girls	Grev Coomer	Bex Chester/John Snow/Nick Godfrey		
U12 boys	Andrew Stratford	Andrew Stratford		
U12 girls	Nick Godfrey/Sig Watkins	Bex Chester/Anna Woodfine/Sig Watkins/Jon Swan/Nick Godfrey		
U10 mixed	Martin Kercher/Richard Housley	Forbes Hamilton/Richard Housley		
U8 mixed	Caroline Orange/Forbes Hamilton	Caroline Orange/Martin Kercher		
Senior Team Captains				
Ladies 1st XI	Jose Smith	Victoria Small		
Ladies 2nd XI	Annie Carter	Annie Carter		
Ladies 3rd XI	New for 2017-18	Sophie Wallace		
Club Men's section captain	Lawrence Jones	Adrian Trim		
Men's 1st XI	Nigel Downing	Nigel Downing		
Men's 2nd XI	Simon Millard/Andrew Stratford	Andrew Stratford/Dave Compton		
Men's 3rd XI	John Wallace	John Wallace		
Men's 4th XI	Adrian Trim	Simon Millard		
Men's 5th XI	New for 2017-18	Adrian Trim		