

Ashford Hockey Club (Kent)

**Committee +
invited
members**

Ben Dawson (BD)
Paul Dawson (PD)
Matt Goodwin (MG)
Jeremy Paterson (JP)
Flo Playford (FP)
Julia Sime (JS)
Geoff Playford (GP)
Tony Spain (TS)
Lewis Elgar (LE)

Type of Meeting: Monthly Committee Meeting



Andrew Shepherd – Apologies
Peter Baxter – Apologies
Hayley Reynolds – Apologies
Rebecca Hover – Apologies
Graham Bingham – Apologies
Cathie Elgar – Apologies
James Chamberlain – Apologies
Matt Carter – Apologies

Meeting Minutes

Agenda Item 1: Apologies

Discussion

Apologies were received from those listed above who were invited to the meeting.

Agenda Item 2: Previous Meeting Minutes

Discussion

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 8th August were fully agreed and signed off accordingly.

Agenda Item 3: Site & Astro turf maintenance

Discussion

SITE UPDATE

Grass pitches

No update.

Carpark / Grounds

PD commented that the carpark had been resurfaced and rolled and wished to express great thanks to Peter Baxter and Giles Starley for their efforts. Possibility of using the grass section between carpark and astro for carparking remains.

PD also updated that ACC may allow KJFC to use some of their fields temporarily – tbc.

Astroturf

All OK.

Action Items:

Agenda Item 4: Site Hire Review

Discussion

Nothing coming up in diary of note.

Agenda Item 5: Development Committee

Discussion

No further update. DC meeting regularly and will update as and when necessary.

Agenda Item 6: Treasurer's Report

Discussion

AS updated that the accounts are in order. Approximately £10k balance, with monies owed from both KJFC and Soccer 6s.

Agenda Item 7: Fundraising Committee

Discussion

25th November – Quiz Night

9th December – Ladies Christmas Supper

17th December – Juniors Christmas Disco

Agenda Item 8: Juniors

Discussion

LE updated that the summer school had been a great success – approximately 80 children per day attended, with around 15-20 having to be turned away. PD expressed great thanks to all involved with the Junior section. LE informed that on 11th September there would be a coaching clinic, and a “Welcome to coaching” for all interested parties.

Junior singing on day is Sunday 18th – LE warned that if (as a result of the Ladies Olympic victory) too many more children come along, capacity / space will become a REAL issue.

LE finally updated that the rota of Mens and Ladies 1st / 2nd XI players attending on Sunday mornings is proving a real success.

Agenda Item 9: AOB

Discussion

1. Coaching – DC to continue the Ladies coaching for the first 3 or 4 weeks. Then to be rotated between Ray S, MG, LE... and any other volunteers.
2. “Back to Hockey”. It was commented that we ought to consider running a session for those new / returning to hockey – perhaps @12h30 on Sundays, after Junior Hockey. Volunteers required
3. Website – MG updated that the new website is up and running! Committee thanked MG for all his efforts. MG to arrange necessary email accounts to be created (e.g. fixtures@, umpiring@, treasurer@... etc)
4. Umpiring. Is a new course required? BD to review and confirm.
5. TP commented that Club Captains are a problem in the Mens section. No 2ns XI and no 6th XI Captain. LE will investigate.
6. MG informed that he could get 72 new hockey balls at -60% RRP through Kabo – who were also willing to sell at -60% for all their equipment (sticks etc). MG to speak to DC to seek clarification re partnership.
7. FP commented that the Ladies changing room / loos should have a baby-changing table. The Committee agreed.
8. TS commented that before the season starts, he will replenish the 1st Aid kits.
9. BD commented that the Mens 3rd XI league only has 9 teams so will finish by the end of February 2017.
10. LE commented that the situation regarding lack of female changing HAS to change; it's one thing for a senior lady to have temporary changing facilities, but totally unacceptable for a junior lady player. Serious safeguarding issues. PD commented that he would speak to ACC regarding their pavilion.

Action Items:

Volunteers required for back to hockey!

MG to create emails for Club Positions

BD to review umpiring status – is a new course required?

MG to speak to DC re Kabo.

FP to source baby-changing table for Ladies' changing room / loo.

TS to replenish 1st Aid kits.

PD to speak to ACC regarding the pavilion as Ladies changing area.

The meeting closed at 20h45.