

Ashford Hockey Club (Kent)

Committee + invited members

Ben Dawson (BD)
Paul Dawson (PD)
Matt Goodwin (MG)
Andrew Shepherd (AS)
Jeremy Paterson (JP)
Peter Baxter (PB)
Hayley Reynolds (HR)
Rebecca Hover (RH)
Flo Playford (FP)
Julia Sime (JS)

Type of Meeting: Monthly Committee Meeting



Graham Bingham – Apologies
Geoff Playford – Apologies
Tony Spain – Apologies
Cathie Elgar – Apologies
James Chamberlain – Apologies
Matt Carter – Apologies
Lewis Elgar – 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 4th July were fully agreed (with minor amendments made to times for 2016/17 training) and signed off accordingly.

Agenda Item 3: Site & Astroturf maintenance

Discussion

SITE UPDATE

Grass pitches

Groundsman. AS confirmed that AL will be keeping the role – good news! AS also confirmed that KJFC have candidates who could fill the role should we find ourselves in that situation.

Carpark / Grounds

PB gave detailed options for levelling the carpark that the Committee that considered. These were to use road planings, full replacement and extend the carpark. The Committee agreed to use road planings (£1,150 + VAT) and asked PB to manage the project, which he agreed to do. The Committee thanked PB for his continued efforts.

AS updated that ACC had informed him that they now intend to leave their land fallow, not being used by anyone. AS confirmed that KJFC were aware. PD and AS confirmed that ACC and AHC were communicating openly, which is a big improvement to the last number of months – there are new Trustees in place at ACC.

Astroturf

N/A.

Action Items:

PB to manage carpark reworking

Agenda Item 4: Site Hire Review

Discussion

JP raised the issue of site marshalling with large events on site. The Committee agreed that an addendum be added to the site hire form that AHC can supply Marshalls at £25 / person / hour.

****NB – at what point do Marshalls become mandatory?***

Agenda Item 5: Development Committee

Discussion

AS informed the Committee that KJFC had requested permission for temporary changing room structures, in line with their league requirements. The Committee agreed to the request, as long as the Committee approve the final design and footprint.

Agenda Item 6: Treasurer's Report

Discussion

AS updated that the accounts are in order.

Agenda Item 7: Fundraising Committee

Discussion

25th November – Quiz Night

9th December – Ladies Christmas Supper

17th December – Juniors Christmas Disco

HR also informed the Committee that Annie White would like to do a fancy dress "Tube Stop" night in September – the Committee agreed!

Agenda Item 8: Juniors

Discussion

Summer school was a great success – approximately 80 children attended. Thanks to all involved with the Junior section.

Agenda Item 9: AOB

Discussion

1. Signing on day – 10th September. Intra-club games to be arranged. FP & JS to arrange a BBQ.
2. Coaching – PD / BD that coaching will start w/c 5th September, and that all feedback thus far had been very positive.
3. Website – MG updated that all is going well and will be ready to launch in time for next season. The Committee thanked MG for all his efforts.
4. Umpiring. BD updated that Jon Taylor is happy to be the pool ump for the Ladies Section all season – special thanks from the Committee.
5. Press – need to reinforce press reports. Each Team Captain must send a report to both Andrew Gidley of the Kentish Express and Matt Goodwin for the website. MG to write a press release for the upcoming season, to include signing on day details and coaching structure.
6. FP commented that the patio area is generally very messy and needs regular tidying. Any ideas from people?!
7. JS confirmed she will be unable to work as part of Bars & Buffets in the future. JS and TP to arrange with AS.
8. BD noted that the Club is short of balls. HR & RH will investigate re sponsorship.

Action Items:

MG to continue website development.

MG to write press release for 2016/17 season.

HR / RH to look in to new balls for the Club.

The meeting closed at 20h30.