

Ashford Hockey Club (Kent)

**Committee +
invited
members**

Ben Dawson (BD)
Paul Dawson (PD)
Matt Goodwin (MG)
Jeremy Paterson (JP)
Geoff Playford (GP)
Flo Playford (FP)
Tony Spain (TS)
Lewis Elgar (LE)
Andrew Shepherd (AS)
Hayley Reynolds (HR)

Type of Meeting: Monthly Committee Meeting



Rebecca Hover - Apologies
Peter Baxter– Apologies
Julia Sime – Apologies
Graham Bingham – Apologies
Cathie Elgar – Apologies
James Chamberlain – 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 5th December were fully agreed and signed off accordingly.

Agenda Item 3: Site & Astro turf maintenance

Discussion

SITE UPDATE

Grass pitches

No update.

Carpark / Grounds

PD updated that a small “cleaning party” had tidied the fringes of the carpark on 30th December. Thanks to JP, PD, AF & MG.

Astroturf

No update.

Agenda Item 4: Site Hire Review

Discussion

PD updated that TP is letting the car-park team know when the site appears to be going to busy and all working well.

Agenda Item 5: Development Committee

Discussion

PD updated that the outline planning application is being processed and there will be a meeting with Ashford Borough Council soon.

Agenda Item 6: Treasurer’s Report

Discussion

AS updated that the accounts are in order. Looking positive – approximately £8k in bank.

AS updated the Committee that Julia Sime is standing down from her pitch hire organising position. As such the invoicing process will change – TP will record who hires / when, and then FP will invoice monthly (possibly moving to weekly if all works well). AS will then reconcile accordingly.

AS wished to express great thanks to Julia Sime for her outstanding efforts over the years. The Committee agreed and wish to thank JS for her incredible efforts for AHC. The Committee agreed that JS should be invited to become a Vice President. JP to write to JS inviting her to the position.

Agenda Item 7: Fundraising Committee

Discussion

FP updated that £240 was raised at the Junior Christmas Disco – great effort.

Celebration Day to be organised in April – 9th April? TBC.....

TS suggested that at the Celebration Day each team should give awards (Most Improved Player & Outstanding Contribution to Team). TS to coordinate.

HR suggested it could be time to arrange an AHC Ball. The Committee agreed, and requested that HR & FP have preliminary discussions.

Agenda Item 8: Juniors

Discussion

LE updated that the last Sunday 243 juniors had signed on – the highest number ever! Space is now a real concern!

LE also informed the Committee that Cathie Elgar will be stepping down as Child Welfare Officer at the end of the season.

PD expressed thanks to ALL junior organisers, especially Cathie Elgar.

LE also commented that Keir Starley ought to be asked not to wear FOHC kit on Sunday morning Junior training – and will do so when it next happens!

Agenda Item 9: AOB

Discussion

1. H&S – nothing of note.
2. Coaching structure to remain as is for the remains of the season.
3. LE commented that he is organising a 4th Ladies Team for next season.
4. MG commented that Downsview School were possibly interested in an afterschool club at AHC. LE to contact John Colburn from the school.
5. MG commented that the website should soon be able to support photos being uploaded. Go Live by end of January.
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Action Items:

The meeting closed at 21h00. January meeting will be Monday 13th February.