



Newark Hockey Club

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 12th April 2023

7.00pm Magnus School - Cafeteria

Present: Lauren Gray, Beth Dickens, Lyndsey Sayer, Sam Wade, Hannah Bond, Emma Adcock, Freddie Adcock, Tarquin Philo, Stuart Gallon, Emma Hogg, Sarah Bartlett, Mel Woods, Anna Hall, Polly Richards, Harriet Simmons, Loren Venables, Elizabeth Hendrie, Zara Littlewood, Daniel Hendrie, David Colcomb, Stephen Littlewood, Tim Burch, Andrew Weightman, Will Peasgood, Adrian Parrett, Cameron Roberts, Ciaran Logue, Darryn Beggs, Adam Baldwin, Dan Jackson, Sophie Chambers, Laura Harriss, Ann Crockett-McLean, Arran Coggan, Simon Higgs, Susan Tate

Action Summary:

Laura Harriss/ Dannie Hendrie	Handover of summer tournament organisation
Amy Crouch/Tom Shaw	Post contact details and payment arrangements for tickets for end of season presentation evening
Susan Tate	Add Back-to-hockey to agenda for first new committee meeting
Susan Tate	Organise the first committee meeting for the new committee

1. Apologies

- Sarah Plumb, John Reynolds, Vicky Jones, Lucy Wade, Dave Woods

2. Review of previous minutes

- Approved

3. Chairman's Report

After many years on committee, Arran stepping down. Thanks to rest of the committee. Juniors section is massive source of pride – thanks to Ann, Tim, and volunteers, plus Chris Ferguson who we lost this year. New pitch this year – credit to Tim for pushing it through and keeping Arran on the case. Well done to Sam for keeping the club together after some

tough times through Covid – a few problems. Thanks in advance to anyone who is prepared to step forward this year.

4. Treasurer's Report – see separate PDF for financial summary

Notes

- Higher pitch costs for new pitch hire + contribution to pitch installation
- Lack of income during the summer while pitch work went on
- Dip in membership
- Some money lost for late cancelled matches
- Paying for teas even when people don't turn up
- Affiliation and insurance costs all going up
- £800 incoming with sponsorship
- Need to make bids for funding opportunities
- Want to invest in people for umpiring and coaching
- This year would like to cut pitch costs by trimming hire times

Proposals

- Adults £150, Juniors £90, Junior weekly £5 (all small increases) - Approved
- Match tax £6 – same as previously – Approved
- Family discount 20% - same as prev – Approved

Question: *Can we get some improvements to standard and availability of changing rooms?*

- ⇒ School handles that and they don't get anything from pitch hire which all goes through Active 4Today, but based on existing good relationship we will try to encourage improvements.

5. Section reports

a. Junior Section Report

- See Appendix 2

Question: *How do juniors transition to senior hockey?*

- ⇒ 13+ can start to join senior training and are encouraged to do so. Badgers matches – playing with adults in mixed age teams. Development teams in main league though we lost men's dev team this year. Summer hockey – mixed social hockey for all members 13+ - also a good way to get involved with seniors.

Question: *Is booking required for summer hockey?*

- ⇒ No booking required now covid restrictions have been lifted. The cost per member will be £30 for full summer, or £5 if paying per night. See social media post.

b. Ladies Section Report

- Tough season – managed to get 4 teams out most weeks, but some cancellations and often no subs
- 1st team – first half gone badly, even though improved in second half – sadly relegated

- 2nd team finished mid-table – no captain
- 3rd team relegated in last match of the season
- 4th team good mix of youth and back-to-hockey people
- Next season 1 & 2 teams in same div, 3 & 4 in same div
- Good results in O35s

c. Men's Section Report

- Rebuilding year
- 3 teams, but 4th team (development) withdrawn due to lack of players
- 1s had poor start – good coach came in, survived relegation in last match
- 2s got the fall out from 1s disruption, but managed to stay up in last match
- Adrian Parrett held the ship together for 3s, but sadly relegated, only just though

d. Development Officer Report

- Coaching has been a problem
- Lack of willing volunteers for both coaching and umpiring
- Lots of credit to Ann and Martin for stepping up
- Need more player development, but this year has been about just covering training and matches
- Umpire coaching being offered by Rosie and Jim, to help new umpires develop and gain confidence
- All members need to remember that coaches and umpires are volunteers and to treat them with respect

6. Dissolution of current committee

- Thanks to outgoing committee

7. Election of core committee members

Position	Previous Holder	Elected	Nominated	Seconded
President	Tim Burch	Tim Burch	Sophie Chambers	Ciaran Logue
Chairperson	Arran Coggan	Sam Wade	Susan Tate	Hannah Bond
Head of Juniors	VACANT	<i>Nominated Rep from Junior Sub-committee</i>		
Secretary	Susan Tate	Susan Tate	Hannah Bond	Ann Crockett-McLean
Treasurer	Simon Higgs	Simon Higgs	Ciaran Logue	Sophie Chambers
Ladies Club Captain	Hannah Bond	Hannah Bond	Lyndsey Sayer	Sam Wade
Men's Club Captain	Ciaran Logue	Ciaran Logue	Dan Jackson	Adam Baldwin
Development Officer	Laura Harriss	Adam Baldwin	Ciaran Logue	Simon Higgs
Welfare Officer	Sam Wade	Elizabeth Hendrie (support from Loren Venables)	Will Peasgood	Tim Burch
Communications Officer	Tom Shaw	Harriet Simmons (social media) Darryn Beggs (website)	Jacky Nullis	Hannah Bond

8. Election of other officers

Position	Previous Holder	Elected	Nominated	Seconded
Membership Officer	Mel Woods	Mel Woods	Jacky Nullis	Ann Crockett-McLean
Umpire Coordinator	Sophie Chambers	Sophie Chambers	Ciaran Logue	Daniel Hendrie
Fixtures Coordinator	Rachael Vickers	Loren Venables	Will Peasgood	Tim Burch
Competitions Officer	VACANT	Daniel Hendrie	Ciaran Logue	Sophie Chambers
Social & Fundraising Officers	Amy Crouch Tom Shaw	Dan Jackson Jacky Nullis	Sophie Chambers	Susan Tate
School League Organiser	Tim Burch	Beth Dickens (support from Clare Donald, Jacky Nullis)	Susan Tate	Ann Crockett-McLean

9. Proposals for Lifetime Memberships

- Ann Crockett-McLean - Approved
- Arran Coggan – Approved

10. AOB

- **Club Tournament** – Laura started organising and will work with new Competitions Officer, Dannie Hendrie
 - o **Action:** Laura/Dannie to do handover
- **Ladies training** – training times next season – needs more discussion within new committee to promote cohesion
- **Clubhouse** – pavilion being built for Farndon Cricket Club (opening in June) – option to use the upstairs
 - o We need people to go back for teas otherwise there is no point (we need to cover the rent)
 - o Potential problem with bar + food arrangements – drinking cans, buying/prepping food
 - o Bigger problem is commitment from players to go back for teas generally, so why would clubhouse be any different?
 - Some parents not comfortable taking kids back to Spring House
 - o If we can make it a success, it provides potential revenue and good for club spirit to have a base
 - o Could sign up for a year and see how it goes => decision for new committee
- **End of season presentation evening** – 29th April, 7pm, Rafa Club
 - o Contact Amy or Tom for tickets
 - o **Action:** Amy/Tom to post contact details and how to pay for tickets
 - o Simon suggesting lowering price to £15 – Action: Kes
- **Back to hockey** - Any more in future? Session in the summer? Ideally we'd like to do that, but question for new committee –
 - o **Action:** Susan - add to agenda for first committee meeting

Handover committee meeting: TBC – **Action:** Susan

Appendix 1: 2023 AGM Juniors Report

- There are currently 168 registered members.
- This is the first year that Juniors have been managed by a committee which loosely follows the same format as the Club Committee.
- The 'Dream team' registration on Sunday mornings is an essential part of the success of this section. They not only sign people in they now update Teamo which provides the coaches with valuable stats. They also organise second hand sales, raffles, fancy dress and are now selling Club socks. Shona has attended training once this season to date and Mad Dog has also been to the Magnus.
- The U8's has been closed to new players as the coaches feel that it would be unsafe to have more members in this group. There are 20+ training in the U10's group. Both the U12G and the U14 G have only small numbers training. The boys sections of these ages are flourishing and the U14b are unbeaten in their league.
- After Christmas all sections moved their older players up a group earlier to enable us to allow new members to join the U8's.
- The Junior section continues to support the DofE scheme which helps the older players gain their awards by giving up some of their time to assist with the training of the younger groups. This has been very successful over the years.
- The Primary School league is back with me as organiser and George Silver joins me every Wednesday to umpire the matches. There has been 10 schools taking part and the results table is on our website. I am currently also providing coaching to one school, Caunton on Mondays.
- I am hoping that either Beth Dickens, Claire Donald and Jacky Briggs will take this on next season as they are currently part of it.
- We have continued to take part in the Notts Derby friendly tournaments and the County In2 Hockey Tournament.

NoDe Friendly Tournaments: All age groups apart from the U16's have taken part in these friendly tournaments which have normally taken place at the Nottingham Hockey Centre.

County In2Hockey Competition: We entered both the U10's and U12's age groups, a girls team and a boys team in both. Both the U10 girls and U12 boys teams were successful and got through to the Midland part of the competition.

Midland In2 Hockey: The U10 girls play in the Midlands In2H competition on Sunday 16th April at Nottingham. The U12 boys will play in the Midlands In2H at Rugby on Sunday 23rd April.

We have a number of junior players in the county programme.

Sam White Trophy : Again this involves the Primary Schools in the area. It will be taking place at the Magnus Pitch between 1230 and approx 1600 on Wednesday 26th April 2023.