



CAMBRIDGE SOUTH HOCKEY CLUB

COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on: Thursday 4th June 2015, 7.30pm
at: The Red Bull, Barton Road, Cambridge

MINUTES

Resolutions are shown underlined.

CLUB COMMITTEE

I. Quorum

1.1. In attendance: Dave Aston, Rob Barton, Jan Brynjolffssen, Jack Chalk, Diane Eichelsheim, John Greaves, Georgina Hurford, Rasmus Petersen, Naomi Penfold, Neil Sneade, Louise Tonkin, Colin Troll

Absent: Tom Anns, Cath Anthony, Kim Cooil, Simon Cooper, Charlie Crowther, Emma Fairlie, Jen Kingslake, Boris Lossy, Graham McCulloch, Saskia Molekamp, Charlotte Moss, Chris Pearson, Ellie Raffan, Mark Williams

1.2. The presence of a quorum was confirmed.

2. Finances

2.1. Club is currently showing a surplus of £426 for this season, against a surplus of £2,940 for last season.

This includes expenditure on the new joint colour scheme kit, and a complete new goalkeeping kit. Without this, surplus would have been ~£2,200. Other exceptional items included £250 on the new pitchside storage box.

Match fee collection was very good by all captains. Pay & Play revenue was also excellent, with surplus up from £1,005 in 13/14 to £1,595 in 14/15 despite increase in hire costs.

Paid members: Men - 69 (70 2013/14); Ladies 63 (44), Total - 132 (114). Strong increase in ladies' numbers, men static.

- 2.2. Forecast for next year is a slight surplus of ~£322 if fees are held at current levels, including remaining cost of kit changeover and one new goalkeeping kit.

3. Pitch

- 3.1. Our booking status with Long Road has been renewed for next season, at the same rates. Evening booking times also renewed.
- 3.2. In order of preference, our wish list for site improvements is:
 1. Covered dugouts
 2. Access to additional changing rooms - ideally male/female, home/away
 3. Use of sports hall for indoor hockey Dec to Feb (we could contribute to equipment)
 4. Club signage on Long Road
 5. 2 more goals (positioned by half-pitch and full pitch marks)

4. Club house

- 4.1. Agreed that the location of Cantabs club house was excellent but match day arrangements needed reviewing. Jan will co-ordinate fixtures times with Cantabs' Fixtures Sec to try and minimise congestion.
- 4.2. Preference for match teas was to remain at Cantabs but be more specific about our requirements for match teas. John and Emma will meet with Nigel Faben at Cantabs to discuss. Will review situation at the winter break.

5. Training and coaching.

- 5.1. Colin is available to coach Tuesdays and Thursdays; David on Thursdays only. Given the higher attendance levels at ladies' training last season, agreed that training would be switched for 15/16: Men 7.30-9pm Tuesdays; Ladies 7.30-9pm Thursdays.

6. Kit and equipment

- 6.1. Noted that the Kookaburra orange and white 'match' balls were good but picked up colour off the pitch very quickly to look 'dirty'; whereas Kookaburra yellow and pink 'practice' balls were fine but did not pick up colour. Agreed to buy orange and white 'practice' balls for all match and practice use for next season.
- 6.2. Discussed changing away kit to an off-the-shelf rather than custom-design strip to allow items to be more easily replaced, but was agreed to stay with the existing yellow strip for the time being.

- 6.3. As all existing members have now had the opportunity to buy a new kit at the £15 rate and only a few have not done so, it was agreed that the subsidy would be reduced and price for shirt and socks would increase to £20.
- 6.4. Unused green and blue shirts held in stock - Diane offered to investigate options for donating a set of 14 of each to a good cause; the remainders will be added to the current spare team shirts as a 'third strip'.

7. Junior section

- 7.1. Jack confirmed that Colin had raised the idea of starting a club junior section for next season. Apparently, City's juniors has 300+ U18s and they have closed the book. Colin's view is there would be significant demand if we were to offer this. Agreed that in principle we were in favour if demand is there. Neil and Jack will look into this with Colin.

8. 2015/16 Committee

- 8.1. We have candidates for many committee positions but posts currently without confirmed nominees were: ULO, L3 captain & VC, M2 captain & VC, M3 captain & VC, M4 captain & VC, Ladies' Mixed Co-captain. Committee members to consider candidates who could be approached for these roles.

9. Club AGM

- 9.1. Neil will poll the committee on dates. Likely to be end of June at The Red Bull.

10.AOB

- 10.1. Rob will be appearing on Cambridge 105 to talk about hockey! Does anyone want to join him?
- 10.2. St Mary's are looking into building an astro pitch on their playing field on Long Road and have approached the club to discuss use and advice. Neil has offered to meet with the project manager; Georgie offered to attend as well.
- 10.3. The umpiring fee for next season will be set at £8 per game but any existing exceptional arrangements will be honoured.
- 10.4. Steve Parker was nominated by Dave Aston for appointment as an Honorary Life Member of the club in view of his many seasons of dedicated service. A show of hands was called and it was unanimously agreed that Steve Parker be appointed an Honorary Life Member of Cambridge South Hockey Club.

MEN'S PLAYING COMMITTEE

- I. No business

LADIES' PLAYING COMMITTEE

- I. No business.