



CAMBRIDGE SOUTH HOCKEY CLUB

COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on: Monday 8th January 2018, 8pm
at: The Panton Arms, Panton Street, Cambridge

MINUTES

Resolutions are shown underlined.

I. Quorum

I.1. Attendance:

John Greaves		Neil Sneade	/	Douglas Gibson	/	Jan Brynjolffssen	
Hannah Kenyon	/	Naomi Penfold		Ania Rygielska		Rob Barton	/
Ellie Raffan	/	Matt Kern		Elaine Paterson		Jack Chalk	/
Stuart Rimmer		Simon Cooper		Shahzad Ali	/	Robyn McLean	/
Louisa Warburton	/	Laurie McKenzie	/	Laura Edge	/	Colin Troll	
Sophie McComish							

I.2. The presence of a quorum was confirmed.

2. Mobile card reader - review of use for LI and M2 match fees

Robyn and Douglas reported that the readers had been popular with their teams and were easy to use. Other captains/VCs reported they would also like the option to take card payments, as more and more people don't carry much cash.

Card readers cost £45 each inc. a protective case and iZettle fees are 1.75% of payments taken (no minimum charge per transaction). Douglas reported cost would be around £30 per team per season, or £250-300 total, assuming half of fees are paid by card. View from captains was that improved collection rates from more people paying on the day would likely more than offset the cost, and would also be more convenient for players

(not having to worry about cash) and captains (fewer debts to track and chase up, and less cash to have to transfer to the club).

Regarding paying drivers, fewer than half of fees have been made by card in the trial, and at this rate there would still be enough cash for fuel payments. Not an issue for L2-L4s, as they don't charge drivers' match fees rather than paying mileage. Will review if it becomes a problem.

It was unanimously agreed to get card readers for all teams. Neil will purchase the readers and also email captains to ask who should be set up with iZettle staff accounts to allow them to take payments.

3. Post season hockey

The last 2 years we have run additional P&P sessions and a 5 week Mixed 7s tournament over the off-season. These have been popular and it was considered what hockey we ought to arrange over the off-season this year. Suggestions for extending the Mixed 7s matches beyond 5 weeks, and possibly splitting into tiers, and also adding a 'Back 2 Hockey' P&P session aimed at recent joiners in L4s and M5s and new players.

Agreed that we would extend P&P to 2 nights in April (as season has only just finished, people are away over Easter and weather isn't great yet), and 3 nights from May to August.

In May, 1 evening will be extended to 2 hours - 1st hour will be ½ pitch of mixed Back 2 Hockey and ½ pitch of P&P for lower level players only (no-one running/dribbling around half a team) with senior player 'mentors' to encourage/supervise. It was also felt that mentors should be ladies' players, rather than men. 2nd hour will be regular P&P - free for players who mentor the 1st hour.

From June, 1 evening will be for Mixed 7s tournament and 2 for P&P. To avoid some teams being much stronger than others, there will be no team sign-up only individual sign-up, and tournament organisers will assign players to teams to try and ensure balance. Depending on entry numbers, may run 2 competitions - 1 higher level, 1 lower level.

4. Stand at 'Big Weekend' Sport Zone - Parker's Piece, Sat 14th July

Council sports organisers have asked whether we want a stand at the Big Weekend. General view was it wouldn't be a great recruitment tool, we didn't have and weren't minded to spend money buying the equipment/freebies we would need for a stand, and no-one was that keen to organise/run it, so we'll pass.

5. AOB

None arising.