



## Minutes of the Aldershot and Farnham Hockey Club AGM

Date: Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Venue: AFHC Clubhouse

### **Chairman's Welcome:**

**Nigel Oates** (NO) opened the meeting at 20.20hrs and thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. Those in attendance are as per the sign in sheet at the end of these minutes.

### **Apologies:**

Peter Wilson, Amy Good, Amanda Watson, Dave Jervis, Yasmin Chanel, Carol McEvoy

### **Minutes of the last meeting:**

The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed. All agreed that there were no matters outstanding and the minutes reflected a true record of the meeting. Sarah Oates (SO) proposed that the minutes be accepted and Debbie Ridger (DR) seconded. A vote was taken and everyone present agreed.

### **Reports:**

**Chair:** NO gave his report as Chair which noted club wide success consolidation. A full transcript of the report can be read at **Item 1** of this report.

**Treasurer Report(s):** Isaac Gladman (IG) presented the financial reports for the year explaining that it had been a good year financially. The full financial reports can be read at **Item 2** of this report. David James (DJ) proposed that the financial reports be approved and Sarah Oates seconded the motion. All present agreed.

All other reports are attached in full at the end of these minutes:

Item 3: AFHC Mens Club Captain report

Item 4: AFHC Ladies Club Captain report

Item 5: AFHC Junior Chair report

## Elections:

DJ, as Club President, then stepped forward to run the elections for the new senior officer and committee roles.

### Election of Executive Committee Officers:

Senior Officer Role	Nominee	Proposer	Seconded	AGM Vote of Approval
Chairman	Chris Edwards	Nige Oates	Fergus Lynch	Yes
Vice Chairman	Debbie Ridger	Sue H-E	Catherine Powell	Yes
Club Secretary	Sue Haworth-Edwards	Chris Edwards	Malcolm Turner	Yes
Treasurer	Vacant			Yes
Hockey Manager	Malcolm Turner	Katja Jackson	Ollie Holder	Yes
Men's Club Captain	Jimmy Humphries	Chris Edwards	Nige Oates	Yes
Ladies Club Captain	Debbie Ridger	Kate Cooper	Rosie Oates	Yes
Youth Chair	Geoff Smith	Nige Oates	Ollie Holder	Yes

### Election of committee posts

Committee Role	Nominee	Proposer	Seconded	AGM Vote of Approval
Dep Youth Chair	Nicky Chaplin	Catherine Powell	Ollie Holder	Yes
Fixture Secretary (Men's and Ladies)	Catherine Powell	Chris Edwards	Nige Oates	Yes
Membership Secretary	Rosie Oates	Louise Laws	Catherine Powell	Yes
Welfare Officer	Catherine Cole	Chris Edwards	Iain Griffin	Yes
Deputy Welfare Officer	David James	Debbie Ridger	Catherine Powell	Yes
Umpire Liaison Officer	Sam Fuentes	Catherine Powell	Nige Oates	Yes
Clubs First Co-Ordinator	Rosie Oates	Nige Oates	Kate Cooper	Yes

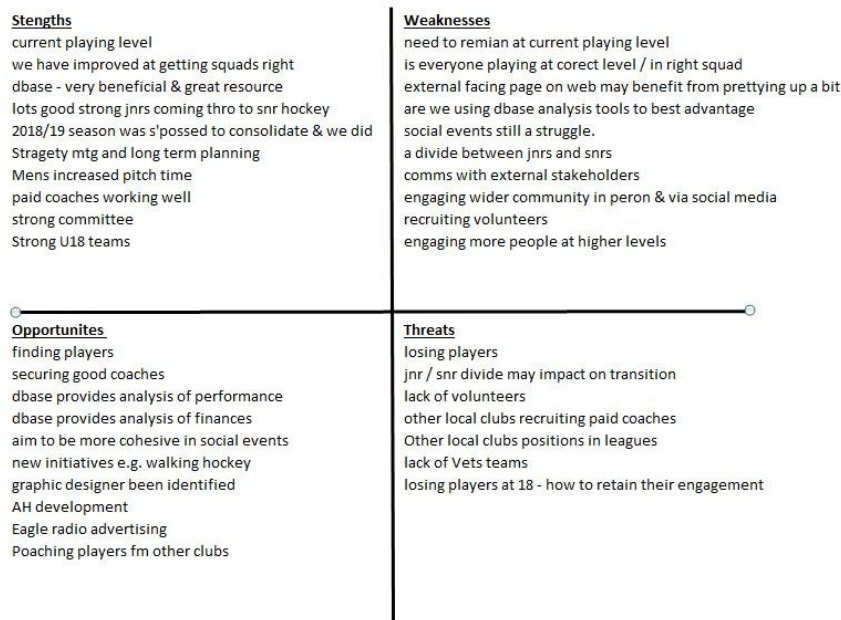
CE took his place as new club Chair and thanked NO for an outstanding job. He proposed that NO be made an honorary life vice president. DJ seconded this and there was unanimous agreement by all.

CE also proposed that Team Captains were arranged by the Mens and Ladies Club Captains. This was agreed by all present.

## **Agenda items:**

### **Strategy update**

CE outlined for all present the main themes of discussion by the committee regarding the clubs strategy. He explained that the committee had met recently for the sole purpose of defining and updating the clubs strategy. He summarised the SWOT analysis which had been used as a basis to form the strategic plan.



CE then invited those present to comment:

Ollie Holder raised the question about capacity - did we think that we are at capacity now given that we are not yet there with our own facilities. CE explained that the club are currently in discussion with various external parties regarding facilities and more will be announced as soon as it becomes appropriate.

Drew Powell suggested that the club strategy be publicised on the club website for all to see.

## **Membership and Fees:**

CE introduced this item by reminding all that at last years AGM it was agreed that membership fees would be raised in increments in line with inflation rather than a big hike in fees every few years.

The proposal to emerge from the strategy meeting was that U8s/ U10s / U12s and parent membership would remain as is. Everything else would increase by 2% to the nearest 50p.

There was much discussion surrounding this proposal. Ollie Holder questioned a bigger increase whilst NO thought sticking to the inflation was the best solution. CE was keen to stick to what was agreed at last years AGM.

Ollie questioned the robustness of the budget going forward and he was reassured by both NO and CE.

Ed Rushmere commented that the whole on line system made everything much easier to revise fees and that in future match fees should increase in small increments as well e.g. £10 to £10.50 CP proposed to adopt the membership increase. Ollie Holder seconded and there was unanimous agreement from all present.

There was to be no change the match fees as this was increased last year.

Rachel Holmes enquired about part time membership for returning Uni students during vacations. CE assured her this can and does happen.

### **Change of Club Status:**

CE asked Isaac to outline the proposed move to change the club status to a CASC (Community amateur sports club). IG explained that now the club has grown in size and has many different income streams, the revenue can no longer all be classified as membership fees and this has tax implications as we effectively have a trading income. CASC is a good structure to deal with this and is recognised by HMRC as an appropriate and official entity.

NO explained that we have to be registered with HMRC and CASC is the way forward to manage our potential tax liability as this enabled up to £60k p/a in tax free income.

The only downside of CASC registration that could be envisaged was that if the club should cease to exist the current constitution allows for reserves to be divided out amongst members. Under CASC this is not permitted and if the club ceases to exist reserves must be donated to charity. This was not deemed to be an issue.

IG went on to explain that for a club of our size we have to have our accounts officially audited and presented to HMRC. CASC is the vehicle to achieve this.

Ed Rushmere commented that if we are a CASC this could open up other funding avenues as some companies will match donations but only to officially registered charities or CASCs.

Ollie Holder asked if there would be any savings from being a CASC. CE replied possibly as we may be able to reclaim some VAT.

CE proposed that AFHC adopt the CASC structure and made the constitutional changes needed to effect this. NO seconded the proposal and there was unanimous agreement by all present.

### **Volunteers:**

Iain Griffin mentioned that parents could sign up to help via the website with potentially financial penalties for those who don't sign up.

Rosie explained that this was in hand (allocating roles via the website).

Ollie Holder questioned how we could engage more members to give back to the club.

Catherine Powell outlined an idea she had seen working by EH in that all volunteers are entered into a raffle on a monthly basis. Low cost initiative but one which recognised and rewarded volunteers. More carrot and less stick than financial penalties.

CE explained that AFHC are not alone - it's a hockey wide problem and one which we should address by trying the various initiatives suggested.

CE proposed that as a club we move forward with the volunteer reward system. Catherine seconded the proposal and there was unanimous agreement by all present.

### **AOB:**

#### **New committee role:**

CP proposed a new committee role – volunteer coordinator. Malc said he had seen this work in Haslemere and it seemed to be working well. CE seconded the proposal and there was unanimous agreement by all present.

#### **HE pitches and toilet:**

Drew Powell raised the shocking condition of both the pitches and toilets at Heath End. There was a very lengthy discussion about this where basically all were in agreement that the conditions were unacceptable. Many ideas were discussed to try and remedy including first team on and last team off clear the pitches, paying a cleaner, litter pickers etc. and how we didn't help ourselves by leaving litter. Kate Cooper highlighted the fact that Ladies trg on Tues eves followed the footballers on and they leave the pitch in a terrible state. The role / responsibility of the school was also discussed.

In summary Malc is to speak to the school and explain that we will be deducting £25 per week from the bill to arrange our own Saturday cleaning of the toilets however NO did remind all present that this is an issue where we all need to take some responsibility and clear up after ourselves. Mike Willis noted that if we educate the Jnrs the ethos will eventually work its way up through the club.

CE suggested that we review this in committee in Oct once the season is underway.

#### **Kit suppliers:**

Ollie Holder questioned moving kit supplier. Malc explained that work was underway on this and quotes are to follow shortly. CE noted that ideally we would get 1 person to coord kit supply as at the moment it is very piecemeal.

#### **Awards:**

CE thanked the L1s as they were awarded Hants Hospitality Umpires Award. Well done the L1s.

#### **Membership raffle:**

The membership raffle was then drawn (all attendees get given a raffle ticket on entry and the winner receives free membership for the year). This year it was won by Sue Haworth-Edwards.

**There being no further business CE closed the meeting at 21.56hrs.**

## Item 1



### **AFHC Chairman's Report 2018/2019**

Welcome and yet again thank you for foregoing the BBQ's now that summer has finally arrived. Reviewing last year's report I noted things like "our success is clubwide" and "going in the right direction".

I think this has definitely been as season of successful clubwide consolidation. Many clubs have a significant dip after having the levels of success that we have had recently. But we have coped with players going to university, retiring, maternity leave and have still, by and large, maintained our playing levels.

A key success for me this season has been the transition training. I know the saying can wear thin, but kids are our future. And we have an amazing youth section and team. Better preparing these juniors for adult hockey is a laudable goal, but we did it. I can see myself the benefits of these 13 year olds turning up to play their first games and fitting is so much better and much more quickly than previously. To me, this is the right direction.

We have moved in to the 21<sup>st</sup> century with online payments and credit cards. Some teething problems, but again, moving in the right direction as society moves more towards a cashless model. Adding to that, JP has delivered an immense members system that has added efficiencies in many areas, especially taking load and stress off of captains. Thank you JP.

We expanded the very successful sponsorship scheme to include the whole club. This was perhaps the one missed target of the season. Outside of the M1's and L1's, active participation was extremely low. We need to review this, but we know the scheme is successful both financially and publicity wise.

As you will see from the accounts, we did better than last year...just...but taking in to account the big drop in sponsorship revenue, which will hopefully pick up next year and the fact we have increased the number of paid coaches to cover ladies and men's 2's plus goalkeeper coaching, I think we are still in an OK place. Again, we are still going in the right direction and investing clubwide.

However, as this is my last report as chairman, the direction may change. This is a good thing. Times change, hockey changes, wives keep nagging! It has been an honour and a privilege to look after the club this past decade or so and I hope I hand it over in at least as good a shape as when I was given the hot potato.

I would like to thank everyone in the club, past and present, for the success, the enjoyment...and the challenges. It would be boring if it was too easy. Most especially to every member of the committees over the years without whom we just would not have a club.

As to the future, well, that's for the next committee. I'll still be around, most especially trying to help deliver on our future facilities. No news yet. We are active in many areas and will update if anything exciting happens! That's about it. Time to move to the backbenches and heckle from my armchair.

*Nigel Oates*

## Item 2



## AFHC Treasurers Report 2018 / 2019

Being the club treasurer this year was certainly an eye-opening experience to just how much effort goes on behind the scenes so that we can all play every week and a special thank you to Nigel who has really put in a lot over his tenure as Chairman.

One of the newest changes to this season was the introduction of a new website, which hopefully has made all of your lives easier with paying match fees and memberships all in one place. However this has had a major impact on how we can record the club finances and there has been somewhat of a learning curve this season for everyone involved. The biggest impact this has made to the accounts is that although all the funds are received directly into the bank account from the website they don't come with that ever so helpful breakdown between match fees and memberships. The amount taken from our new go cardless system was £49,762.58 and has been apportioned between membership and match fees 65/35.

### Income

Along with the above change there was also an increase in membership fees this year which has made drawing a comparison from last year difficult.

The sponsorship initiative was run once again this year bringing £7,750 which is a decrease of almost £10,000 this year.

A point of note this year was the tea tent which performed fantastically bringing in £3,459.94.

### Expenditure

Once again pitch fees have been our highest expense totalling £43,453 and shows once again that with the increase in members there is a need for more pitch space and time. This was always going to the case as we begin to transition from a smaller club.

Coaching expenses this year totalled £28,579 which is an increase of just under £6000 from last year. The increase this year can be attributed to the clubs attempt to provide more coaches for more teams as well as goal keepers.

### Summary

As you can see from the profit and loss we have finished the season with a surplus of £3,747.73. This figure is down from last year due to the previously mentioned need for more coaches and more pitches along with the decrease in the sponsorship scheme. With the correct focus on the sponsorship scheme as well as getting a wider involvement from all levels of the club we have a chance for this figure to impressively rise next year while still continuing to expand.

*Isaac Gladman*

**Aldershot & Farnham Hockey Club**  
**UK Balance Sheet - Standard**  
As of 13 June 2019

	<u>13 Jun 19</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Other Current Assets	
Accrued Revenue	4,641.98
Stock	<u>1,325.00</u>
Total Other Current Assets	5,966.98
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	<u>1,171.00</u>
Total Accounts Receivable	1,171.00
Cash at bank and in hand	
Barclays Current Account	31,222.14
Barclays Saver Account	12,685.96
Premium Bonds	<u>26,125.00</u>
Total Cash at bank and in hand	<u>70,033.10</u>
Total Current Assets	77,171.08
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<u>77,171.08</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIA...</b>	<u>77,171.08</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u><b>77,171.08</b></u>
Capital and Reserves	
Share Capital Account	54,465.55
Unrestricted Net Assets	<u>22,705.53</u>
Shareholder funds	<u><b>77,171.08</b></u>



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**Aldershot & Farnham Hockey Club**  
**Trial Balance**  
 As of 31 May 2019

	31 May 19	
	Debit	Credit
Barclays Current Account	31,222.14	
Barclays Saver Account	12,685.96	
Cash Holding Account	0.00	
Premium Bonds	26,125.00	
Accounts Receivable	1,171.00	
Accrued Revenue	4,641.88	
Stock	1,325.00	
Undeposited Funds	0.00	
Accounts Payable	0.00	
VAT Liability	0.00	
Share Capital Account		54,465.55
Unrestricted Net Assets		18,957.80
Izettle AB	0.00	
Junior Training Courses		169.00
Junior Training Courses:August Hockey Camp Juniors		230.00
Junior Training Courses:Junior Summer Training		45.00
Kit/Gear	62.50	
Kit/Gear:A&FH Playing Shirts		1,588.00
Kit/Gear:Junior Playing Shirts		8.00
Match Fees		21,743.90
Match Fees:Camberley Ladies Summer League		697.00
Match Fees:Junior Match Fees		1,055.00
Match Fees:Ladies 1s Match Fees		208.00
Match Fees:Ladies 2s Match Fees		40.00
Match Fees:Ladies 3s Match Fees		608.00
Match Fees:Ladies 4s Match Fees		72.00
Match Fees:Ladies 5s Match Fees		12.00
Match Fees:Mens 2s Match Fees		145.00
Match Fees:Mens 3s Match Fees		112.00
Match Fees:Mens 5s Match Fees		60.00
Match Fees:Mens 6s Match Fees		154.00
Match Fees:Mens Canons Match Fees		152.00
Match Fees:Mens Vets Match Fees		110.00
Match Fees:Mixed/Summer Match Fees		415.00
Membership Subscriptions		32,732.68
Membership Subscriptions:Adult Subscriptions		9,066.00
Membership Subscriptions:Family Subscriptions		5.00
Membership Subscriptions:Junior Subscriptions		9,550.50
Membership Subscriptions:Junior Subscriptions:Youth U...		95.00
Membership Subscriptions:Junior Subscriptions:Youth U...		105.00
Membership Subscriptions:Junior Subscriptions:Youth U...		230.00
Miscellaneous Income		900.20
Social/Fundraising Income		120.00
Social/Fundraising Income:Dinner Dance		2,532.32
Social/Fundraising Income:Dinner Dance:Raffle Tickets		500.00
Social/Fundraising Income:Income from Juniors		3,544.94
Social/Fundraising Income:Sponsorship Income		9,250.00
Affiliation & Cup Fees	3,768.07	
Affiliation & Cup Fees:Ladies Summer League Camberley		158.00
Coaches & Umpires	5,712.50	
Coaches & Umpires:Adult Coaching	21,584.86	
Coaches & Umpires:Umpires	28.00	
Coaches & Umpires:Umpires:Appointed Umpires	1,254.00	
Go Cardless expense		78.22
Insurance Expense	207.00	
Kit & Equipment	7,325.98	
Miscellaneous Expense	360.00	
Pitch Fees	43,160.37	
Rent	2,700.00	
Social Function Expenses:Dinner Dance Expenses	4,544.80	
Sponsorship Expense	1,100.95	
Sponsorship Expense:Hockey Programme	352.00	
Training & Courses	420.00	
Transport Costs	150.00	
Go Cardless Income	0.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>169,911.11</b>	<b>169,911.11</b>

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## Aldershot & Farnham Hockey Club Profit & Loss June 2018 through May 2019

	Jun '18 - May 19
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>	
<b>Income</b>	
Izettle AB	0.00
Junior Training Courses	
August Hockey Camp Juniors	230.00
Junior Summer Training	45.00
Junior Training Courses - Other	169.00
Total Junior Training Courses	444.00
Kit/Gear	
A&FH Playing Shirts	1,586.00
Junior Playing Shirts	8.00
Kit/Gear - Other	-62.50
Total Kit/Gear	1,531.50
Match Fees	
Camberley Ladies Summer Lea...	697.00
Junior Match Fees	1,055.00
Ladies 1s Match Fees	208.00
Ladies 2s Match Fees	40.00
Ladies 3s Match Fees	608.00
Ladies 4s Match Fees	72.00
Ladies 5s Match Fees	12.00
Mens 2s Match Fees	145.00
Mens 3s Match Fees	112.00
Mens 5s Match Fees	60.00
Mens 6s Match Fees	154.00
Mens Canons Match Fees	152.00
Mens Vets Match Fees	110.00
Mixed/Summer Match Fees	415.00
Match Fees - Other	21,743.90
Total Match Fees	25,583.90
Membership Subscriptions	
Adult Subscriptions	9,068.00
Family Subscriptions	5.00
Junior Subscriptions	
Youth U10 Subs	95.00
Youth U12 Subs	105.00
Youth U14 Subs	230.00
Junior Subscriptions - Other	9,550.50
Total Junior Subscriptions	9,980.50
Membership Subscriptions - O...	32,732.68
Total Membership Subscriptions	51,784.18
Miscellaneous Income	900.20
Social/Fundraising Income	
Dinner Dance	
Raffle Tickets	500.00
Dinner Dance - Other	2,532.32
Total Dinner Dance	3,032.32
Income from Juniors	3,544.94
Sponsorship Income	9,250.00
Social/Fundraising Income - Ot...	120.00
Total Social/Fundraising Income	15,947.26
<b>Total Income</b>	98,191.04
<b>Gross Profit</b>	98,191.04
<b>Expense</b>	
Affiliation & Cup Fees	
Ladies Summer League Camb...	-158.00
Affiliation & Cup Fees - Other	3,768.07
Total Affiliation & Cup Fees	3,610.07
Coaches & Umpires	
Adult Coaching	21,584.86

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**Aldershot & Farnham Hockey Club**  
**Profit & Loss**  
June 2018 through May 2019

	<u>Jun '18 - May 19</u>
Umpires	
Appointed Umpires	1,254.00
Umpires - Other	28.00
Total Umpires	<u>1,282.00</u>
Coaches & Umpires - Other	5,712.50
Total Coaches & Umpires	26,579.38
Go Cardless expense	-78.22
Insurance Expense	207.00
Kit & Equipment	7,325.98
Miscellaneous Expense	380.00
Pitch Fees	43,160.37
Rent	2,700.00
Social Function Expenses	
Dinner Dance Expenses	4,544.80
Total Social Function Expenses	<u>4,544.80</u>
Sponsorship Expense	
Hockey Programme	352.00
Sponsorship Expense - Other	1,100.95
Total Sponsorship Expense	<u>1,452.95</u>
Training & Courses	420.00
Transport Costs	159.00
Total Expense	<u>92,443.31</u>
Net Ordinary Income	3,747.73
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Go Cardless Income	0.00
Total Other Income	<u>0.00</u>
Net Other Income	<u>0.00</u>
Profit for the Year	<u><u>3,747.73</u></u>

**END OF ITEM 2: FINANCIAL REPORTS**

### Item 3



## AFHC Mens Club Captain Report 2018/2019

On the back of success of the prior season there was a question to be asked if we could sustain where we are, look to progress the lower men's teams in their leagues and resolve the challenge we had last season with coaches and players availability.

And as we now look back on this season I do believe the season has in large parts achieved a period of stability but gives us the groundings to move forward in future seasons.

Our Men's 1s, playing regional hockey for the first time in the club's history, competed well in the debut season and finished mid-table, with a number of notably scalps when beating league leaders in successive weeks. This was on the back of a number of departing players from prior year and some players stepping up and building on what coach Ian Jennings has brought into the team for the past 3 years, showing that the hard work in training is taken into games. My thanks goes out to Jenno again for ensuring that our 1st XI are developing and performing and we ensured that we continue to play regional hockey again next season and that we continue to progress forward.

As highlighted last year in my report we said that we had limited coaches and need to address this for the rest of the men's section and this past season I think we have done that to support the other Men's sides. Firstly we welcomed Ian Murphy to the club and alongside the Goalkeeper coaching he has been running our Men's 2s & Men's 3 training and when about supporting from the sideline on a Saturday. Alongside this we gave our Men's 2 & 3 their own training night that was focused on team play, improving game awareness of players stepping up from lower teams (young and old) and with the coaching provided by Ian we were regular seeing 15-20 people each week at training, something that has been missing for a few years (previously 5-6 people turning up). With this support and resource now the Men's 2 & 3 had improved years in the league compared to last season and both finished top half and if the progress continues into next year there should be no reason why this doesn't represent an opportunity for both teams to chase promotion. Ian, thanks for what you have brought to both teams and look forward to this continuing.

We also made changes to our club night and dovetailed after the training that has been introduced for our junior boys and now gives us a foundation from juniors to transition to adult hockey, and my thanks for this goes to Andy Chadwick, Steve Farrer & Dave James to ensure this has been a success and again not to sound like a broken record, gives us a foundation to build on

One final thing that we have seen is that last season we were struggling with Saturday availability and we even questioned whether we were going to be able to field a 6th team at the start of the

season, but with more players coming through from the junior section, attracting new players because what we now offer in the Mens section we were able to ensure that only 1 game in the entire season had to be cancelled due to lack of availability, a marked improvement and also glad looking back we didn't can the Cannons.

The Cannons presented Adam Crosby-Jones, in his first year of captain, and team a number of challenges. Given previous seasons reshuffles in Surrey Open they were kept in a higher league and with junior players progress up the club the team lost a few players to the other teams, but each week Adam and the team put themselves out there and credit to them all that ok the results weren't there but the team spirit was and you all kept coming back for more. Next season I hope and believe will be different, players have had experience at a slightly higher level and the drop down to Surrey Open 2 should give the ability to build a strong team for the future and give a foundation for juniors to step up through the team.

Our 5's & 6s found themselves in the same league again this season and again benefitted from the regionalised league that limits our travelling and also allows the irregular players to get a game as and when they can. We have been looking to get promotion for our Mens 5s out of here but with one team only able to gain promotion it can be on the back of 1 or 2 results that it becomes out of reach, so even though there were some really good performances week in week out, we just came up short for our Men's 5s and so the local derby of Mens 5 v Mens 6 will again be a classic fixture to watch next season, with the Mens 6 showing good progression from what they are taking from club training into league hockey.

I obviously can't capture everything that has gone on in each team in detail here but feel that as a men's section we have address some of the issues we saw last season, taken steps forward in those areas as well and have a good foundation to build on in all teams.

My thanks go to all the captains who have supported and lead the teams this year and there certainly have been less conversations on team selections, due to availability and squad sizes which is helped by all the players responding quickly to team selections, which has been helped by the website developments by JP (thanks again!)

I know that for sure Ed (M1), Alan (M2), Daz (M5) & Dave (M6) are stepping down this season. Thank you all you're your help and support over the season, you have left the teams in good standings and Daz thanks for the number of years you have put in as a captain as you are now retiring (at least that's why you said you were stepping down!)

Congratulations to all those who picked up awards at the end of the season, congratulations on the success you have had within your respective teams this year and look forward to seeing you progress next season.

Award	Name
Men's Player of the Year	Robert Jervis
Men's Young Player of the Year (Joint)	Ewan Hammond Jamie Finlayson
Most Improved Men's Player of the Year	Robert Corbin
Men's 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI Player of the Year	Oliver Fitter
Men's 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI Player of the Year	Charlie Aylott
Men's Cannons XI Player of the Year	Bayley Hobbs
Men's 5th XI Player of the Year	George Wright
Men's 6th XI Player of the Year	Tom Wilson

Finally just want to say, 4years ago the committee saw that as a club we were growing and we needed to change how we were structured to support our members and we brought in both Ladies & Men's Club Captains. It has been great to be part of that with the club and certainly we have taken huge strides forward working this way, and long may it continue in this way but after the 4 years I will be stepping down this season from the Men's Club Captain hopefully not going far away but look forward to supporting the new Men's Club Captain as we transition over.

Thanks for our your help and support, look forward to seeing you each week playing hockey and enjoy the summer (hockey) and more importantly be fit and ready for next season we can go again!

*Chris Eds*

## Item 4



### AFHC Ladies Club Captain Report 2018 / 2019

#### **Ladies 1's Report**

Ladies 1s have battled hard this season. They have maintained their place in South even after a number of injuries and availability issues. This meant a few players found themselves playing in different positions and even playing in South for the first time.

The future is promising with a number of juniors pushing to play in the Ladies 1s for next season, which is lucky, considering the exodus of a number of key players to University. Even so, the Ladies 1's will look to try and bolster their squad through player recruitment for the upcoming season along with the appointment of a new coach.

**Ladies 2's Report** The season didn't go as planned, but we battled through and made it to the end of the season in one piece. The youngsters really stood up and performed well, every one of the team played their socks off each week despite some of the results! And we always came off the pitch smiling and supporting each other. Hopefully we will have a better season next year.

#### **L3s Season Report**

At the end of last season the ladies 3s got an unexpected promotion to division 3, as a result of a slight reorganisation of the leagues. Coupled with the loss of a number of players higher up the teams and a few of our squad off to university, we knew this was going to be a difficult season.

Realistically, to stay up in division 3 was unlikely, as half the division were due to be relegated at the end of this season, so the aims we set ourselves were to improve our hockey as individuals and as a team.

For the first half of the season the 3s squad numbered about 13 players, meaning we rarely had the same team out and only managed two weeks without new faces in the side. This wasn't going to stop us trying to gain any points, however, it did take us until 10th November to break our duck.

At the half way point we were still standing strong, holding up the rest of the table, on 5 points, but had finished 2018 with our first win of the season!!

The second half of the season saw the squad increase in numbers and therefore a much more stable team being put out each week. This resulted in our aim of improving as a team becoming a reality. We were still outclassed in a few games, but several others were surprise and disappointing results for our oppositions (especially when we beat top of the table, Havant!). We managed to gain a further 12 points since Christmas, ending the season on 17 and off the bottom of the table.

It has been an extremely tough season, but thanks go to all 43 players who have made an appearance for the ladies 3s and to all those who have umpired for us.

Finally, a huge THANK YOU to Graham Jackson, for stepping in at the last minute, to give the ladies 3s their own dedicated coach. Although he was not able to attend many of our matches (due to his own playing commitments), the coaching sessions were invaluable and when he was able to be on the sidelines, it made a significant difference to the squad.

After our final match of the season, (a win!), Graham expressed his conviction that we had achieved our aims. He had seen an improvement in each individual's game as well as the squad as a whole. So well done and thank you to the ladies 3s.

### **Ladies 4's Report**

The season So let's say We've had some highs and some lows but another glorious season for the 4s ... so the lows - playing in Petersfield in what felt like sheet ice rain - Malc even sending the players inside when subbed it was that bad; one pizza and one plate of chips for a squad of 14; saying Cheerio to some folk as they moved up - secretly super pleased for them of course; being beaten by Fleet in an awesome away game; spending several hours in A&E with our midfield queen Dews; several green cards for the first time - although I'm quite proud of this also - yellow next season please .... and now the highs - opening game beating Poole 5-0 what a slick start to the season; new juniors thriving; road trip to Poole on the fun bus; Cafe Piccolo with the squad; exceptional teas when the juniors stepped up; beating Fleet at home in my favourite match of the season; finishing sixth in a league we were shocked to be in this season; nailing the jump shot and getting some serious air each time; so many different Men of the Match; teamwork shining through at all times - Malc and I are super proud of this gang....

### **Ladies 5's Report**

2018/19 saw the 5's play their first full league season, with new players and old coming together to produce an amazing 9 wins, 1 draw and 6 losses and ultimately finishing 3rd in the table, beating both Alton and Haslemere along the way and when it counted. The team has grown in confidence and is ready for next seasons challenges

This result is due to incredible team spirit from the whole squad, expert coaching from Di (and Jayne) and wonderful support from the side-lines too.

### **Player of the Season**

There was no player who ran away with the award this season, with a number of nominees. However, in the end it came down to a single vote between two.

Both players have demonstrated a great commitment to the team in both matches and training sessions. They've shown a tremendous work rate in midfield, never giving up and working hard both in going forwards and coming back to help defend. So, mention should be given to Fiona Carden, who obviously had a big impact on the squad, however, the ladies 3s player of the season 2018/19 is awarded to Frances Kemp.

### **Players Player**

The legend that is Katja - thoroughly deserving of this award - Katja is a true team player on and off the pitch and a most valued member of the team. Happy to play wherever she is put, happy to launch herself at key points of the game and the most graceful player when in possession of the ball - and thanks for introducing the 4s to an aerial 16! Who'd have thought that would happen - Positive at all times (apart from when throwing the stick in frustration) and a genuine inspiration for all who play with her. We love this woman.

Overall a great season and we are all very much looking forward to next year

*Debbie Ridger*



## **Item 5**



### AFHC Junior Chair Captain Report 2018 / 2019

#### **Membership**

This season we have 347 Junior Members and 245 parent members

#### **Minis (U8s and U10s)**

It has been a busy season with festivals for the U8s and the U10s and the continuation of Hampshire North In2Hockey Festivals which AFHC took the lead in organising.

This section of the club continues to grow. We have had an increase in the number of children wanting to start as soon as they turn 5 and doing really well!

The training sessions on Sundays have been amazingly well run but a core group of volunteers to whom I am eternally grateful. Special thanks to Fiona Lee for being the lead coach for the U8s and Nick Fielding and Mike Willis for being the lead coaches for the U10s.

Both the U10 girls and boys both entered the Hampshire In2Hockey this season. The girls topped their pool and were knocked out in the Semi-Finals after drawing in full time and the match being decided on Penalties.

#### **Boys**

The number of boys has increased during the season and we are continuing to spread the word that we are keen to have more boys join the club. That said, the boys have had a great season with lots of new skills learned in training, matches played and friendships made.

Andy Chadwick took on the new role of Head of Boys Hockey this season to co-ordinate training across the boy's section, ensuring that everything ran smoothly and that all sessions had coaching cover.

Again, a relatively small group of dedicated volunteers has run the boys squads this year. Special thanks to squad management teams:

- Andy Chadwick, Will Damerell – U12 boys
- Darren Spears, Iain Griffin, Justine Done – U14 boys
- Andy Chadwick – U16 boys
- Chris Edwards – U18 boys

The boys have also done really well in their respective leagues, the U12 boys have finished mid table which is brilliant considering a lot of the team were U10s particularly at the start of the season.

The U14 boys have finished top of their leagues with some amazing performances. The U14 boys leadership team also organised a in a number of friendlies to ensure that all of the boys got match time.

The U16s boys have finished second in league on goal difference.

The U18s boys have had a great season also finishing top of their league and making it through to the Hampshire Cup Semi Finals.

This season also saw the introduction of evening training for the U12/U14 boys and the extension of Men's training to include all the U16 / U18 boys. This has been well received and will continue next season on Wednesday evenings before the Men's 4s, 5s and 6s training.

## **Girls**

Yet again we have had large groups of U12 and U14 girls and this year we have had our highest ever numbers of U18 girls.

This year Oli Holder has stepped up to take on the role of Head of Girls Hockey as well as leading the two largest squads we have. He has been helped to run the girl's squads by a small group of volunteers to whom I would like to say a very special thanks

- Oli Holder, Brett Smith, John Prosser, Mark Boule, Louise Norbury and Helen Hibberd – U12 girls
- Oli Holder, Brett Smith, Emma Skelding, – U14 girls
- Amanda Watson, myself – U16 / U18 girls

U12 girls had a mixture of friendlies with both Hampshire & Surrey Clubs and Hampshire league fixtures, In2Hockey fixtures with Hampshire North Club. They also participated in the Hampshire In2Hockey Competition, they played really well but were knocked out in the Quarter finals. The U12 girls finished second in the league on goal difference to F&E.

U14 girls had a good mixture of friendlies with both Hampshire & Surrey Clubs and participating in the Home Counties Development League and Hampshire League. The U14 girls finished mid table in their Hampshire league and top of the Home Counties Girls Development League.

In the later part of the season Oli introduced evening training for the U12/U14 girls. We plan to continue this next season with more volunteers to run. This will continue to be held on Monday evenings before the Ladies 3s, 4s and 5s training.

U16s finished top of their league on goal difference and had a great season.

U18s have finished second in the league to Bournemouth and have qualified for the Hampshire Cup Final on the 6th of May where they lost to Trojans despite holding them to 0:0 at half time.

## **GKs**

This season saw the introduction of a paid coach for junior GK coaching, Ian Murphy who has run very successful sessions biweekly on Monday evenings resulting in brilliant progress for the junior GKs. Plus Rupert Edmunds has started to run GK sessions on Sundays to provide even more opportunities for the GKs to get some dedicated coaching.

## **General**

We have had one paid coach on Sundays, Dan Grinstead who has been a great help in providing leadership for the later two sessions. Dan will be staying with us next season, but we still have a vacancy for another paid Junior coach and are hoping to fulfil the position this season with adverts out with England Hockey.

As well as a dedicated group of volunteers on the pitch and doing squad admin, we have volunteers who help to run the tea tent on Sunday mornings, stock the tea tent, umpire matches and are just generally willing to help out which is brilliant. Particular thanks to Rebecca Watson who has stocked the tea tent with sweets, chocolates and crisps at no charge to the club all season.

## **Next Season**

Although I am stepping down this season, I feel that the Junior Section is well on the way to being set up for next season. The majority of the lead volunteer roles are filled see below.

Junior Volunteers	
Head of Juniors	Geoff Smith – TBC at AGM
Deputy Head of Juniors	Nicky Chaplin (supported by Rachel Holmes) – TBC at AGM
Head of Minis	Ed Rushmere
Lead U8s Coach	Chris Milstead and Cristian Postans (deputy)
U8s admin	Gillian Lamb
Lead U10s Coach	Nick Fielding
U10s admin	Vacant
Head of Boys	Andy Chadwick
Lead U12 boys coach	Iain Griffin and Will Damerell
U12 boys admin	Jemma Badger
Lead U14 boys coach	Andy Chadwick
U14 boys admin	Vacant
Lead U16 boys coach	Darren Spears
U16 boys admin	Justine Done
U18s Lead Coach	Chris Edwards
Head of Girls	Oli Holder
Lead U12 girls coach	Brett Smith, Mark Boulle, John Prosser
U12 girls admin	Louise Norbury, Helen Hibberd
Lead U14 girls coach	Oli Holder

U14 girls admin	Emma Skelding
Lead U16 girls coach	Vacant
U16 girls admin	Catherine Powell – if no one else volunteers
U18s Manager	Catherine Powell – if no one else volunteers
Sunday GK Coach	Rupert Edmunds
DoE Co-ordinator	David Hobbs
Hampshire Nominations Coordinator	Simon Cryer
Junior Fixtures Secretary	Gillian Lamb
Pitch Booking	Catherine Powell (Adults and Juniors – Army and Farnborough Sixth)  Malc Turner (Adults and Juniors – Heath End)
Junior Membership Secretary	Merged with Adults – Sarah (Rosie) Oats
Tea tent Managers	Jane Fagan and Kate Upson
Kit Management	Elena Reggler

However, as always more volunteers are need so if anyone can help please let us know.

We have also just been awarded a grant by the ASDA Foundation of £961 which will be spent on single colour balls for Junior training (as these help the children with Autism) and new kit. I am in the process of arranging for 200 new yellow balls for the start of next season.

The training schedule for next season was reviewed and agreed at a Junior Committee meeting and endorsed by the Main Committee. See below

Time	Pitch 1	Pitch 2
09:00 – 10:30	Boys – U12 / U14	U8s and GKs
10:30 – 12:00	Girls – U12	U10s
12:00 – 13:30	Girls – U14 / U16	F&E
13:30 – 15:00	Available for matches	F&E

U12/ U14 girls prior to Ladies 3s, 4s, 5s, training on Monday evenings at Army Astro on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30

U12/ U14 Boys girls prior to Mens 4s, 5s and 6s training on Wednesday evenings at Heath End on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30

In Conclusion I will would like to thank all the juniors, parents, guardians and friends and family for making this a really successful season and ask you to provide the same support those running the Junior Section next season.

*Catherine Powell*

**Record of those present:**



**Aldershot and Farnham Hockey Club  
AGM  
Thursday 13th June 2019**

Please sign in below so that your attendance can be recorded

Please print (if we can't read your name we can enter you into the raffle for a free membership!)

**Ser: Name:**

1	Redel Holmes	✓
2	Katja Jackson	✓
3	Louise Laws	✓
4	Dave James	✓
5	Iain Griffin	✓
6	Chris Edwards	✓
7	Sue Hawthorn - Edwards	
8	Rupert Edmunds	✓
9	DEBBIE RIDGEL	✓
10	OLI HOWDE	✓
11	Catherine Paull	✓
12	Drew Powell	✓
13	Malcolm Turner	✓
14	Kate Cooper	✓
15	Sarah Oates	✓
16	Fergal Lynch	✓
17	Nicky Chaplin	✓
18	McKense Griffin	✓
19	Mike Willis	✓
20	Isaac Colclough	✓
21	ARON BETHAM	✓
22	Nigel Oates	✓
23	Ed Rushmore	✓
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**Proposed committee meeting dates 2019 /2020 season:**

The following are proposed:

**2019**

Thursday            8<sup>th</sup> August  
  
                             5<sup>th</sup> September  
  
                             3<sup>rd</sup> October  
  
                             7<sup>th</sup> November  
  
                             12<sup>th</sup> December

**2020**

9<sup>th</sup> January  
  
6<sup>th</sup> February  
  
5<sup>th</sup> March  
  
16<sup>th</sup> April

**2020 AGM:**            16<sup>th</sup> June

