



Devon Hockey Association Committee Meeting Minutes

Dolphin Inn, Bovey Tracey on Monday 5 August 13 at 7.30 p.m

Attendees:

Dave Chard – DC -	President
Peter Hodge – PH –	Hon Treasurer
Michelle Judge – MJ –	Hon Secretary
Rosie Parkin - RP -	School Girls
Sam Tallwin – ST –	Discipline Officer
Keith Dingle – KD -	DHA Umpires President
Martyn Harvey – MH -	Men's League Rep
Mike Tucker – MT -	Vice President West Rep

Minutes

1. Apologies

Sue Hutchings, Barbara Reynolds

2. Minutes from the Last Meeting

Signed as a true record – append PH report to minutes

3. Matters arising from the previous minutes not covered by the Agenda items

4. Treasurer's Report – PH

Report attached

PH mentioned that monies had been paid out of the SS account since the AGM.

The "Giving Back" of funds was discussed in that PH thought that it should be clarified that funds would not actually be given back to clubs but instead funding will be used to enhance the SS account which will benefit junior hockey.

No changes in the affiliation fees this year, should be no reduction in clubs or teams, although there may be some new teams, in saying that incomes should balance.

MT mentioned that West had reduced their fees if paid by a certain date.

MT also discussed West had a "pot" of funds available for counties/clubs to help West gain their objectives. This could be around £60k but with match funding available this could be doubled. Hopefully more information will be available soon.

ACTION: PH will continue to look into whether or not Coaches should be employed or self-employed

DC to contact Nicky Bruce in regards to organizing a coaching session for clubs to attend. Possibly look at Okehampton to host

5. Secretary's Report – MJ

Affiliation and Cup entry forms to be sent out this week. MJ asked what the West fees were now for the forth coming season, it was agreed that they are the same as last year.

MJ to add an entry for Vets for both men and ladies, setting the entry age at 35. The Devon Forum discussed the possibility of changing the umpire appointment notice from 21 days to 14. KD said that this was possible as long as the dates were arranged promptly and that the appointment secretary is notified.

Devon In2Hockey dates were discussed:

Oct 6th

Nov 24th

Jan 26th

Mar 2nd

ISCA to host the 6th Oct. MJ to provide dates to Peter Hammond re umpiring.

MH asked if the cup play by dates end on a Sunday. This was agreed. Finals day 12th April MJ will look to club to host.

KD mentioned having more sponsors on the website, this was discussed and the conclusion was it might be not be cost effective add one to the DHA page, plus add additional clutter to the site.

ACTION: MJ to add the dates of the next meetings to the website.

6. Single System Report SH

Nothing reported.

PH asked if there was any funding available if any changes post the survey were seen as needing additional support. It was suggested that as the results were not out yet, this would be discussed at the next meeting.

7. County Discipline Report – ST

No updates since the last report

ST mentioned the new level 1 course – KD confirmed that for Umpires in the new Club Umpire B or C will need to be assessed and will therefore be qualified

8. Devon Umpires Report – KD

KD reported that Liz Powel has resigned from the West Umpiring committee. There was a major concern from the West meeting that there are not enough umpires to West, particularly ladies. This will pose problems for NPUA and Premier 1 appointments this season. The Umpire Development path was discussed at the

forum. The key to implementing this successfully will aid the West problem; this will mean a consensus between ALL umpiring and county authorities. KD proposed to West that a separate sub-committee and chair should be put together to come to conclusion.

MT asked when umpires can start in the new program, KD confirmed that the new course will start in October.

ACTION: KD and DC to meet to discuss a plan of action to be able to report back to the West committee

9. The Davis Wood Hockey League report – MH

Fixtures are up on the website, change in league secretaries has also been posted to the league website.

Adam Place will cover the Devon Clubs apart from those in the higher leagues.

No replacement yet for Andrew Ashenhurst.

10. West Hockey Association report – MT

Nothing to add

11. AOB

- MT – 2 Over 60s team from Devon to be entered in the EHB competition – Winston Bower may be organizing on behalf of Devon. MT to ensure that the teams are entered in the competition.
- DC – asked if DHA will be entering the EHB senior men's competition. DC to look into organizing the team.

Other Information:

Dates of next meetings:

Tuesday 8th October

Tuesday 10th December

Tuesday 4th February

Tuesday 1st April

Monday 19th May AGM

Notes:

The meeting finished at 8.30 pm.

The above are an accurate record of the Devon Hockey Association committee meeting held on 5 August 2013

Name: Dave Chard

Position: DHA President

Signed:

Date