

Hythe & Dibden Cricket Club

AGM 2025 Meeting Notes



Date of meeting: 13.02.2025 – 19.30 p.m.

1.	Apologies: were received from - Richard Steadman, Matt Bennett, Steve Chiverton and Euan Bell
2.	Attendees: Mike Bowman, Dawn Bowman, Ian Prentice, Sarah Prentice, Susan Froggett, Richard Froggett, John Stovell, James Page, Thomas Jones, Jamie Fletcher, Billy Stroud, Fraser Smith, Andy Grave, Pete Miller, Alex Nicholas, Kartik Chandrasekhar, Ian White, Simon Dixon, Dave Parry, Matt Young, Sheelan Shah.
3.	Minutes of 2024 AGM are available on the website and agreed as true record of the meeting, proposed by S Dixon, 2 nd R Froggett.
4.	Chairman's Report read out & is available on the website (along with all other officials reports) – no comments raised.
5.	Treasurer's Report We are in a reasonable place financially, managed to get additional income from sponsors & still saving money on Sky and energy bills. We have circa £27K available. However, we have had to dig into the 'Numbers Club' account to pay for some things during the year, we need to make sure we don't go too deep into our reserves, lots to pay out for now, e.g. ball order, insurance & ground-work which will all amount to approx £10K.
6.	Groundsman's Report read out & available on the website – no comments raised. Chairman thanked the Groundsman for his hard work during the season & thanked the Prentice family for the work on the ground in the winter when the groundsman was recovering from surgery.
7.	Teams & Captains 2025 motion has been proposed to field 3 teams rather than 4 in the 2025 season due to issues with availability that hampered the club during 2024. Jamie Fletcher in particular spent hours on the phone most weeks trying to get 4 teams out, not managing to field a 4 th team for a couple of weeks and on other weeks the 3 rd / 4 th team played without 11 members. This is not only demoralising for the Captains but for the other team members – especially when it's not isolated weeks but a regular occurrence. There was general discussion on the positives & negatives for the club, vote for fielding 3 teams during 2025 was carried 5 against 16 for. Over the next couple of months numbers turning up to training will be monitored, if available player numbers are increasing a decision will be taken on revisiting this. It was agreed that we would continue to pay the rent on the 2 nd ground at QEII in the hope that it can still be utilised by the club and available to us when some of our colts are playing adult cricket – swelling the pool of players. Proposed teams/Captains are: – 1 st Team (Matt Young stepping down) Thomas Jones 2 nd Team & Slam Jonjo Stovell 3 rd Team Jamie Fletcher Sunday Team Steve Chiverton/Fraser Smith
8.	Membership/Match Fees – membership fees have not risen for a couple of years but costs of running the club keep rising, it's proposed that the Adult membership rises to £100/Colts to £60 but this will include a club shirt (incremental cost for each child in the same family) Match fees will rise to Sat £12 Adult & £7 Colts; Sunday £7.50 Adult & £5 Colts. Nobody against these rises. We are still looking for a club shirt sponsor – preferably £10K over 3 years - £5K minimum.

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9.	The current core committee are prepared to stand again - Club Chairman – Mike Bowman Vice Chairman – Ian Prentice Club Secretary – Susan Froggett Club Treasurer – Jonjo Stovell Club Welfare/Safeguarding Officer – Dawn Bowman No objections received, proposed by Richard Froggett; 2 nd by Kartik Chandrasekhar
10.	AOB S Froggett would like to hand over the Secretary's post – if anyone is interested, happy to do a year's hand over. Being able to use Play Cricket is an advantage.
18.	Chairman's close – thank you to everyone who has attended tonight and put their views forward, if anyone would like to join the committee they'd be more than welcome, please try and support the social events when they're put on – they are well supported by Associate Members but not so well supported by playing members and it's important that our teams are represented.
	Date of Next AGM – tbc February 2026 19.30 p.m.