



Hartsholme Cricket Club Annual General Meeting

Date – 30th November 2021

Venue – HCC Social Club

Time – 7.00pm

Minutes taken by Dave King (Secretary)

Minutes:

1) Roll call

Committee – Chris Keywood (Club President), Ed Bosworth (Chairman), Dave King (Secretary), Adrian Bunn (Treasurer), Rob Thorpe (Fixture Secretary & 1st XI Captain), Lisa Roberts (Welfare Officer), Nick Wilkinson (2nd X1 Vice-Captain), Stephen Wilkinson (1st X1 Vice Captain), Jason Roberts (Sunday X1 Captain)

Members – Paul Houlden, Kirsti Wilkinson

2) Apologies

Apologies received for Ian Dovey (Youth Development Manager), Ash Boothright (Head Youth Coach), Tom Parker (2nd X1 Captain), Michael Hale (Events and Partnerships Director), Charlotte Moore (Ladies Captain)

3) Previous minutes

Approved as accurate by Ed Bosworth and Adrian Bunn

4) Chairman's report

“2022 has proved to be both a challenging and rewarding year.

On a positive note, the Club, and League as a whole, were able to return to competitive cricket with a full diary of League fixtures for all teams following the Covid crisis. All of our players returned enthusiastically and after a slightly shaky start all teams started to find their footing.

Off the field, as Chairman, I set out this year with two clear aims:

A To promote and drive a “one Club” ethos based around a pyramid system of progression

B To create a “fit for purpose” Club structure, with defined responsibilities and accountability throughout the Committee, Coaching and Captaincy positions.

These will not be achieved in full all at once but progression has been made quickly and over the next couple of years we will see further clarity and streamlining.

With regards to the first point, this has been implemented by driving visible support to youth games / midweek and Sunday games, as well as with those in positions of responsibility having it clearly explained to them the expectations associated with regards to attending as many events as possible, whether games, working parties or fundraisers.

Secondly, and as I see, most vitally, there has been strong movement towards accountability within the Club, with a clear structure of specified job roles as well as further clarified process with regards to spending and budget allocation. In essence, we seem to be slowly getting the right people in the right positions, and better results across the board are being seen both financially and also in the support-structures implemented for our members, ensuring a return is seen for their membership fees.

Future progression to be targeted will be the further inclusion of the Women’s Team (which has already begun with the new kit offering and the proposed Women’s membership rate) and the launch of an U19s side to compete in the local League, essentially re-bridging the all-important gap from youth to mens’ cricket.

From a slightly more negative stand-point, the Club has had to engage with a number of serious challenges that have threatened our future and that we had neither foreseen nor experienced in the past. Fortunately, our strong financial position, along with our water-tight welfare procedures and strong sense of self-worth, have seen us through admirably.

Some highlights of the year that I would like to draw your attention to are:

- The ground refurbishments that were completed prior to season start
- The Centenary Event which was a roaring success
- The ability of all teams to hold their positions safely within their respective Leagues
- Harry Doyle taking 35 League wickets for the 1sts aged 15 years
- Krish Barla scoring 450 League runs for the 2nds aged 14 years
- The Sunday side’s management and it’s moulding into an academy format
- The future-proofing of our financial position; through increased membership fees, success within the sponsorship market, the adding of additional revenue streams and the implementation of a Club shop.
- The return of the Hale storm

I must also give thanks to our excellent Committee, who, more than anything, have had to deal with me all year. There are differing levels of involvement at any Cricket Club, and ours is no different. We have relied on the same few faces for far too long, however, we are now

entering a period where there is a bolstering of our number, and whilst not necessarily lightening a work- load, it at least allows people to focus on driving forward the position for which they are qualified and for which they volunteered.

I would like to offer my personal thanks to Dave King who this year steps down as Secretary. Dave's son Matt has now moved away from the area and started a career in the Forces. The fact that Dave stayed with us for so long without this clear link to the playing side of the Club is truly appreciated. Through many a meeting he has had to sit and listen to us bleat on about all the irrelevances of Club cricket, and then try to make sense out of it in some form of minutes. So, we thank him for doing it with such organisation and good grace. Later during this meeting, I will be proposing that Dave is made a Vice President of the Club, and I have no doubt it will be seconded.

Lastly, I would like to comment on the overall health of our Club. I feel that whilst the foundations are sound, and have steadily improved as the year has progressed, our overall playing position is still very much underperforming. We are a "sleeping giant" of Lincolnshire Cricket and should always be aiming to place ourselves alongside Bracebridge Heath, Lindum and Nettleham. Whilst all Clubs go through peaks and troughs, it is now time for us to build on this stabilising period and return to the Premier League. I welcome the hopeful arrival of our Overseas player Danie Bothma and look forward to seeing our youth talent continue to progress through the senior sides. In 2022 we will be able to return to our changing rooms, which we will be giving an uplift, hopefully this will align with the return of our marquee team to it's rightful competitive level.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a strong winter, a Happy New Year and I look forward to seeing you in the new season.

Edward D Bosworth (Hartsholme CC, Chairman)

5) Secretary's report

"I would just like to thank everybody who has helped and guided me in my role as Club Secretary over the last 3 years and would like to wish Hartsholme Cricket Club every success in the future."

Dave King (Hartsholme CC, Secretary)

6) Treasurers report

"The 2010-2021 period ends with a cash in the bank figure of £19,551.63 (current account) and £3035.33 (Grants account). This is the best position we have ever been in at an AGM.

Total income was £26,487.07 and expenditure was £24, 950.27

The main expenditure items were

A Kit and equipment £2937.34

B Coaching £5650.00, and numerous items under the ground heading totalling £12,528, £6640 of which will not be repeated next year.
Income has increased mainly due to Grants obtained from various sources. Thank you to Ian Dovey for sorting these.

Also:

Grants: £6275

Increase in Members' subscriptions £1095

Sponsors' Boards £1350

Sale of shares £1000

CASC rebate £727

Please note match fees are short £600 because these were paid into the account post November and will be reflected in next year's report.

Thanks go to Ed and Rob for starting the Sponsors' Boards and Match Ball sponsorship. They have both done a fine job in this area and continue to add new sponsorship all the time, including Kit, Covers and nets.

This concludes the report.

Adrian Bunn (Hartsholme CC, Treasurer)

7) Junior section annual report

"It goes without saying the last year has been unique.

We planned and executed an ambitious programme of both softball and hardball cricket during the Summer outdoor season.

Sessions we have run were:

ECB All Stars (5-8 years old) and ECB Dynamos (8-11 years old) sessions on Saturday mornings. These had 26 and 18 participants. They ran for 8 sessions, but, due to bad weather, it took us till almost the end of July to get the sessions finished. These sessions then continued as Saturday Club sessions until the end of September.

Alongside that we ran Friday event Club sessions, for soft and hard ball Club members and a girls only session on Monday evenings.

In the Summer half-term holidays and Summer school holidays we ran 21 day-time sessions of soft and hardball cricket with 56 different softballers and 35 different hardballers taking part.

The Club is indebted to all it's committed coaches. I hope I don't miss anybody, Adrian, Ash, Jeremy Jones, Andy Perry, Matt Sorby, Stuart Bell, Kirsti Wilkinson all ably backed up by Lisa Roberts our Child Protection officer and all the Parents and Grandparents etc. A word of thanks too for the coaches from Complete Coaching Solutions, ie James Ward, Callum and Dan who also went into Hartsholme Academy on HCC behalf.

Jeremy Jones also went into Hartsholme Academy and Sir Francis Hill School.

Well done Parents for putting up with all the electronic form-filling I generated and for the transferring of all monies. Finally, thanks to all the kids too, for wanting to play Cricket, the best game in the world.

In competitive cricket we ran 2x Under 9s, an U10s an U11s U13s and an U15s team.

We managed to cram in quite a few games at all age groups.

Ian Dovey (Hartsholme CC, Youth Development Manager)

8) Election of officers

a) President

Chris Keywood (Re-elected) – Adrian Bunn proposed, Jason Roberts seconded.

b) Life Members

None proposed.

c) Vice Presidents

Dave King (Elected) – Ed Bosworth proposed, Rob Thorpe seconded.

d) Chairman

Ed Bosworth (Re-Elected) – Stephen Wilkinson proposed, Jason Roberts seconded.

e) Treasurer

Adrian Bunn (Re-Elected) – Ed Bosworth proposed, Chris Keywood Seconded.

f) Secretary

Emily Beevers (Elected) – Lisa Roberts proposed, Ed Bosworth seconded.

g) Fixture Secretary

Rob Thorpe (Re-Elected) – Lisa Roberts proposed, Stephen Wilkinson seconded.

h) Ground Manager

Adrian Bunn (Re-Elected) – Ed Bosworth proposed, Jason Roberts seconded.

i) 1st XI Captain

Rob Thorpe (Re-Elected) – Stephen Wilkinson proposed, Ed Bosworth seconded.

j) 1st XI Vice-Captain

Stephen Wilkinson (Re-Elected) – Rob Thorpe proposed, Ed Bosworth seconded.

k) 2nd XI Captain

Tom Parker (Re-elected) – Jason Roberts proposed, Adrian Bunn seconded.

l) 2nd XI Vice-Captain

Nick Wilkinson (Re-Elected) – Rob Thorpe proposed, Jason Roberts seconded.

m) Lincoln League Captain

Jason Roberts (Re-Elected) – Robert Thorpe proposed, Stephen Wilkinson seconded.

n) Ladies Captain

Charlotte Moore (Re-Elected) – Kirsti Wilkinson proposed, Lisa Roberts seconded.

o) Youth Development Manager

Ian Dovey (Re-Elected) – Rob Thorpe proposed, Dave King seconded.

p) Events and Partnership Director

Michael Hale (Elected) – Ed Bosworth proposed, Rob Thorpe seconded

q) Association Reps

Adrian Bunn, Ed Bosworth and Ian Dovey

r) Welfare Officer

Lisa Roberts (Re-Elected) – Rob Thorpe, Stephen Wilkinson seconded.

s) Midweek Captain

Michael Hale (Elected) – Rob Thorpe proposed, Jason Roberts seconded

t) Head Youth Coach

Ash Boothright (Re-Elected) – Adrian Bunn proposed, Jason Roberts seconded

9) Subscriptions and Match fees

Proposed by Adrian Bunn and seconded by Rob Thorpe the Membership Fees will be as per 2021 with the addition of a Ladies Playing Membership fee of £25 ie

- Full Senior Membership - £50
- Ladies Playing Membership - £25
- Playing Family Membership (up to 2 Parents + Children U16) - £50
- Non-playing Family Membership (Up to 2 Parents + Children U16) - £20
- Student Membership - £25
- Junior Member (U16-U18 playing senior cricket) - £20
- Junior Member U16 (No Family Membership) - £10
- Associate Member (Non-Playing) - £5

Match fees remain at £5 per game. All teas for the 2022 season have been scrapped.

Meeting closed 7.25pm