



Atherstone Adders Hockey Club

Minutes **Thursday 28th September 2017** **7.00pm** **@** **ATCC Club House, Ratcliffe Road,** **Atherstone**

- 1) **Welcome and Apologies:** Kel Caffekey, Sally Oldham, Nicky Lancaster

Present: Jill Thomas, Mick Thomas, Paul Negus, Antony Hobbs, Joseph Kobrin, Mike Brooks, Eddie Parsons
- 2) **Acceptance of Minutes:** Minutes of Meeting on Thursday 31st August 2017 accepted and signed by Chair – Joseph Kobrin
- 3) **Chair's Report** – Nothing to report as start of season.
- 4) **Treasurer's Report** - £5k has been banked so far, £3k to be banked. Captains have been asked to bring in the annual subs. Deadline for this is end of October. A question has been asked as to whether those on Maternity Leave can have a concessionary rate on their subs and match fees. It was agreed that we would assess this on a case by case basis as we do with all concessionary requests.
- 5) **Secretary's Report** – Nothing else to add to official report.
- 6) **Club Captains Report** – We have had four applications for Player Scholarships -Tara Harrison, Harry Worrall, Jess Duffy and Luke Jones. All 4 applications were assessed at the Captains Meeting and approved. The committee unanimously approved all 4 too.

We have picked up 3 or 4 new Men and Women to the club which is a real positive sign. There have been some initial issues in the Women's section including availability of numbers and the introduction of juniors to the senior squads. However, this seems to have settled down very well now with an excellent working group monitoring these matters.

- 7) **Press Report** – Micky has taken over this area. Website has had a lot of information added. It is now very current with match reports up to date and added within 24 hours of games. Kel is now going to add a new feature whereby all fixtures for the coming weekend will be added on a Tuesday night. Scores of all fixtures will be added on a Saturday afternoon. This will give greater visibility to all as to

what is happening. Many thanks to Mick and Kel for all your efforts on this front.

- 8) **Junior Report** – This is going very well with 15 – 18 new members since the start of the season. On Sunday the 11th of Feb the Adders will be hosting a Warwickshire wide tournament.

Mike Brookes reported that we have been approached by England Hockey to see if we would be happy to be the Parent Club for all the Hinckley area Schools who are interested in hosting hockey sessions and then pointing to a club for those kids with a keen interest. We have agreed in principle but we will need to monitor our coaching resources.

- 9) **Fund Raising** – It was agreed to apply to the Councillor's Grant fund (shelving for the new shed, table, gazebo, balls), the Community Grant Fund (a tournament pack including markers, pitch buffers and throw down lines) and the Lottery Small Capital Grant Fund for (storage shed). Negus to apply.

- 10) **AOB** –

Graeme's Training Funding – Graeme Willmott applied for £58 in funding for matts, skipping ropes, kettlebells, resistance matts and agility ladders to compliment the fitness training sessions he is conducting for the Mens on a Tuesday and hopefully for the Ladies on a Thursday. It was unanimously agreed to approve this.

Xmas Do's – same format as last year

Remove Halloween event from the diary

New storage shed is arriving next week – need a small working group to install it. Joe to sort.

Small working group needed to progress our Club Mark status. Mick to sort

Can we change font of minutes as Micky's old eyes can't read it anymore?

Meeting closed at 20.32

Next Committee Meeting – Thursday 9th November 2017 at 19.00 at ASC.