



Committee Meeting Minutes 20/11/19

In Attendance: Henry Sayer, Andrew Whitby, Gill Colbridge, Isobel Christophers, Justin Freeman, Callum Searle and James Hammond.

Absent (with apologies): Rachel Sayer, Ellen Turvey, Lisa Trussel, Sandra Cox, Tom Cox, and Davy Jackson.

Finance

All subs to be paid by the 1st January 2020, failure to do so means no play until these costs have been covered. Captains to liaise with teams and offer help with this, preferably via pitchero or an alternative way to pay. Most members have signed up and are paying and for the ones that haven't, they need to know they can contact any member of the committee for any issues regarding this, the committee are there to support the club in every sense and communication is key.

To ensure that payments are up to date we need a list of players from all Captain's each week, failure to do so creates a backlog, we don't want this. Please submit all by the 10th December 2019.

Earlier on in the season Justin applied for a Sports England Grant for general outreach and happy to say its been accepted and funds are to hit the account any day. This is a fantastic step in the right direction, gaining £9000 for NNHC. There are terms and conditions on spending the grant, which all look positive.

Purchased so far:

- ☐ Sticks
- ☐ 3x Jnr Goal Keepers Kits
- ☐ Mini's Kit
- ☐ Practise goals
- ☐ Pitch costs for Drop-in hockey on a Wednesday at Sheringham

One of the terms was the bank being a 2Signatory account, we have changed the mandate and Justin is now the second authorisee, replacing Helen Dickinson, this also coincides with the clubs constitution rules. This does however mean until Justins completely signed up we can't release payments. Gill is making payments via cheque to cover costs in the meantime, but should be sorted soon.

Fundraising is fundamental, we are actively looking for sponsorship for next seasons new kit, all fundraising ideas are welcome.

We believe that Barbar's have purchased x2 Goals for Sheringham pitch.



Training

Suggestion of a training rota being designed to make it more organised for the coaches. Would be good to publicise each week what's happening/who's coaching in advance and also if there is no training. How do we encourage members to come to training? What do members want from training? Would be good to get some feedback and plan to reach out via the website. If Monday nights don't suit, we now have the option of Wednesday drop-in at Sheringham, which we are hoping to continue through the summer. There is talk of getting a team of 10/15 people over to Sheringham pitch to clear out the corners that are congealed with leaves, slime and mud before the weather drops to low.

Coaching/Umpires

There is a real urgency for more umpires. We need to reach out to people and make it aware that the pay is now £20 not £15 and once qualified, we will reimburse their course fees after the first game they umpire for the club (it doesn't have to be a member of the club, it could be a family member/friend.)

Possible new positions- Coach/Umpire Development Co-ordinator and Callum has shown interest in taking his level 1.

Kit

Face protectors were purchased for the men's 3's.

An order will be placed for a couple of ladies skorts and shirts for this season.

Plan is for a new kit next season, where we'll unite the ladies and mens teams in colour.

Signs

We are purchasing two large signs, one for Cromer pitch and one for Sheringham. They will display 'Home Of' followed by the Club logo underneath and links to fb/pitchero. These should be up within the next month.

Administration

Unfortunately North Norfolk Newspaper have reduced their sports section, due to a retirement. This may change in the future, but for now there won't be any NNHC updates.



The club has been fined £20 and had points deducted this season due to late team sheets. If someone can't keep on top of admin, another member of the team needs to be delegated to do so. The committee wants good communication with each team, meaning attendance at committee meetings is a must.

Player Development and Etiquette

Player development is a priority. Attention is needed on filtering players up. Talk of a couple of first team players dropping down to the thirds to support the juniors coming up. Team's need re-shuffling, but obviously numbers are tight, we need more members for more flexibility. Setting a good example is key. Club etiquette is a must and all times, but especially when we have juniors playing. All members have a responsibility to behave in a certain way around our youngsters. Failure to do so results in not playing.

Charities

Issy has suggested that at AGM meetings we choose a charity to support each year moving forward. Henry will set up a Just Giving page for the club at the start of next season. This season using Henry's Just giving page, the men of NorthNorfolk Hockey Club have decided to take part in MOvember. The chosen charity is The Cystic Fibrosis Trust. It's a charity close the clubs heart. Some of the men are not able to grow a MO for various reasons (work or general lack of growability) but in the last game of November all players will be wearing a moustache of some description and there will be a team photo uploaded for all to see. They are also donating that weeks fines to the Trust. Mens 2's wore their tosh's on the first match of November and also took a photo.

Events

Casino Night on Saturday 23rd November has about 40-45 attending. Ellen is waiting on quotes from Scarborough Hill and Craft Burger for our end of season do. We'll put the feelers out and see what members think once quotes are back. Have also had a suggestion that Aylsham is a good central location for most.

Justin has reserved 50 seats at the FIH -Twickenham for the Juniors end of season celebrations. On a first come first serve basis. This has influenced the adults to do the same via minibus/beer bus, possibly on a separate day and maybe at Lee Valley. Again we'll put the prices out there and see what kind of interest we get, but will reserve tickets.