

**CHARD HOCKEY CLUB AGM**  
**THURSDAY 11TH APRIL 2019 BELL AND CROWN**

1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

- a) Signed

2. MATTERS ARISING

- a) Easy Fundraising – Ros mentioned again this method of raising money and how few were using it.
- b) Membership Forms – fewer forms had been completed than last year, it is becoming increasingly important now, eg for consent of use of data, communications etc.
- c) Tesco – our appeal is current till end of April.
- d) Club Accreditation – fulfilled
- e) Hockey Summer School – went ahead last year and was successful but there were few new takers. It is not running in 2019.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

4. REPORT FROM CHAIR

Overall what could be described as a difficult season in many ways, but I do think it is important to focus on the positives, and look forward not back.

Grateful thanks to all captains, umpires, and admin personnel for all they have done/ continue to do to make our hockey happen.

Firstly we had the difficulties introduced by the sudden changes with the school/1610 and swimming pool closure. Fortunately with our good links with the academy new systems were soon put in place.

The tarmac area, movement of the table tennis table, and building of our new storage facility continued, and we are very grateful to Charlie Carver-Bale, Doug Bale and Will Lucy for their building work on this excellent facility, and Gary Wheaton for haulage.

On the playing side we must congratulate the under 14yrs boys for their win in this year's county tournament making Chard champions at this age group for the 2nd year running.

I would therefore like to present them with a Club Team of the Year Trophy in recognition of this (joint with Ladies Sunday team who have already been rewarded)

Many thanks to Andy and Gary for their work with the juniors, and to the many helpers at the Weds and Thurs sessions, and Sunday tournaments. This is vital and rewarding work, and in it lies the future of the Club. We are looking for more helpers for next season- not necessarily hockey players, so please offer your time if you can.

Training generally is under review, and the men should have been asked their views in a survey designed to gauge the best way forward with regard to participation and content, especially as significant costs are involved for coaches and pitches.

Possibly partly due to split training nights, the social side of the Club had appeared to be lacking this season. However, those who attended the end of season Presentation Night at Ilminster Bowling Club enjoyed a very sociable and fun evening, so a couple of socials in the season is all that is needed to keep us all in touch.

It has become obvious that the way we play hockey, the times we can play hockey, and the changing ways we communicate must lead us to review our players and player base. In this area we will always lose players just as they 'peak' as they head out in to the big bad world beyond Somerset. It has been ever thus. However, we must focus on retention of players, which is as (if not more important) than recruitment.

Difficulties we have to live and work with- travel distances, loss of talent to Taunton Vale, shift workers availability, injuries

Difficulties we can do something to help- communication, advising availability in advance, being prepared to play up a team when needed, welcome and encourage others, recruit friends and family as players/umpires/helper.

We are lucky to have the support of an excellent England Hockey Area Relationship Manager. This year there is a lot of International Hockey to watch on BT Sport and live in London with the FIH Pro League matches. The season culminates with mens and ladies matches at Twickenham Stoop in June, where astroturf will be temporarily laid so that a large crowd can create an electrifying atmosphere (tickets available via EH website)

There is also a new initiative called Hockey Heroes- designed to take hockey nationwide in to primary schools in the coming year.

Coming up for Chard HC-

End of season meetings mens league 29/4 Okehampton

Ladies Sunday May 5th Tiverton

Somerset H. A Weds 22/5 Taunton

Back to Hockey - 6 weeks starting Weds 1/5 7.00-8.00pm (national campaign 13/5 -23/6) Beginners, returners, parents

Pay and Play - £2- please pay on arrival - club players and any of the above that wish to continue - 7.00-8.00pm 12/6 onwards through summer.

Summer Hockey, Yeovil and Sherborne, see Matt

Lets be ready for the new season in September- not take weeks/ months to get going.

I wish the Club every success going forward.

I may be stepping down, but you have not seen the last of me yet!

I would like to finish where I started- be positive, look forward (not back)

Ros Clemmans

## 5. TREASURER'S REPORT

This year the Club has spent some of its reserves with the building of the Storage Shed at the pitch, but firstly had to do the groundwork and install Tarmac - this has been and will be a great benefit for the future.  
Total Cost £6977.27

On the playing side, the Accounts show a profit of £1042.96 but there is an outstanding cheque £2040 for Pitch Hire in February and on the other side, match fees for the last couple of games and presentation money are still with Captains. With our year end March – Accounts never show a true reflection of a playing year. Subscriptions increased this year, with the £10 increase and more Juniors.

Corporate VP's increase, thanks to Lois

Expenditure on Coaches increased – part – two years exps in one year

Drop in Equipment purchases, but think all Goalkeeper kit needs reviewing over the summer and updating.

Lloyds Bank Balance £ 23063.41

Andy Swain

Treasurer 06.04.19

- Sue asked about expenditure for the men's 2<sup>nd</sup> XI, Andy said the information he received was often difficult to interpret and so monies may have been entered in incorrect column.
- Andy also expressed his wish to stand down as Treasurer.

# CHARD HOCKEY CLUB AS AT 31st MARCH 2019

	INCOME	
2017/2018		2018/2019
	<b>Match Fees</b>	
1368.00	Mens 1st	1070.00
2094.20	Mens 2nds	1596.80
1890.40	Mens 3rds	1649.00
1759.00	Ladies 1sts	1078.00
1391.50	Ladies Sunday A	994.00
	Mixed	168.00
628.50	Summer Hockey/ Xmas match	218.00
661.00	Back To Hockey	572.00
819.00	Juniors	2064.00
<b>10611.60</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>9409.80</b>
8380.00	Subscriptions	9475.00
25.00	Clothing Sales	20.00
	England Hockey - Back to Hockey	
23.54	Easy Fundraising	56.76
235.00	Corporate V P	620.00
100.00	Donation	100.00
103.85	League refund travel exps	80.10
	Coffees	56.00
	Presentation Night 2019	960.00
228.00	Presentation Night Raffle	
1460.00	Presentation Night March 2018	60.00
1263.00	Presentation Night 2017	
1480.00	Summer Ball	
219.00	Quiz - Lordleaze	78.00
144.00	Raffle	86.00

<b>24272.99</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21001.66</b>
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	EXPENDITURE	
2017/2018		2018/2019
	<b>Travel</b>	
293.00	Mens 1st	225.00
96.00	Mens 2nds	
196.00	Mens 3rds	210.00
359.00	Ladies 1st	259.00
355.00	Ladies Sunday A	64.00
550.00	Junior Entry Fees	450.00
<b>1849.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>1208.00</b>
	<b>Teas</b>	
120.00	Mens 1sts	200.00
225.00	Mens 2nds	165.00
200.00	Mens 3rds	250.00
200.00	Ladies 1sts	170.00
140.00	Ladies Sunday A	157.00
<b>885.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>942.00</b>
216.79	Courses - GK / Umpire / Coaching	
1,640.00	Coaches	2,135.00
1468.56	Affiliation & League Fees	1481.48
736.00	Insurance	731.00
13372.00	Pitch Hire	11310.00
139.87	Trophies	104.00
1063.26	Equipment	709.32
	Presentation Night 2019	923.40
460.00	Presentation Night Band	
1817.00	Presentation Night March 2018	
1601.40	Presentation Night 2017	
1375.00	Summer Ball	
20.60	Miscellaneous	71.00
80.00	Fines	30.00
58.50	Umpires	58.50
217.44	Pitchero / Domain	220.00
123.18	DBS Checks	35.00
<b>24389.60</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>17808.70</b>
<b>27123.60</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>19958.70</b>
<b>-2850.61</b>	<b>NET SURPLUS / LOSS</b>	<b>1042.96</b>
<b>24272.99</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21001.66</b>

# CHARD HOCKEY CLUB

2017 / 2018

2018 / 2019

## FIXED ASSETS

### GOALKEEPING KIT

£50.00	Mens 1st	£50.00
£200.00	Mens 2nds	£150.00
£25.00	Mens 3rds	£0.00
£250.00	Ladies 1sts	£200.00
£0.00	Ladies 2nds	£50.00
£700.00	Juniors	£600.00
<b>£1,225.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,050.00</b>

### SUNDRY EQUIPMENT

£100.00	Balls	£50.00
	Sweatshirts - Green	
£50.00	Quarter Shirts	
	Hoodies	
<b>£150.00</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>£50.00</b>

## CURRENT ASSETS

£0.00	Cash not banked	£0.00
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### BANK BALANCES

£28,997.72	Lloyds Bank	£23,063.41
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<b>£28,997.72</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>£23,063.41</b>

## 6. TEAM CAPTAINS' REPORTS

### a) LADIES SUNDAY

The Sunday ladies team had a successful season in the end. Starting off the season with a few games struggling to get players but through managing to encourage a lot of the juniors to start playing for us we ended up with a pretty consistent team most weeks. We managed 7 wins, 2 draws and 6 losses. It has been a very enjoyable season as captain being able to bring over 10 new juniors up into ladies hockey throughout the season and seeing them improve with each game in skill and confidence and also developing some of the back to hockey ladies skills even further. As the season went on the team grew closer and this always showed on the pitch. With each game teamwork always got better and just as the season finished we nearly managed to get it perfect ending the season on a high winning our last two games. The perfect end of the season was winning team of the year and I don't think the ladies deserve it more as they have worked so hard all season not letting their heads drop when we have lost but instead learning from it. I couldn't do captain without them. And I hope to see them all return next season so we can improve as a team even more.

Player of the Year Julie Saxby

Most improved Chloe Parks

### b) LADIES 1ST XI

I am both sad but also excited to say that this season was my last as ladies 1<sup>st</sup> XI captain following the best part of 5 seasons of captaining.

Following such a successful season last year and a well-deserved promotion, this season brought a mixed bag of results with 3 wins, 3 draws and 12 losses (so perhaps not quite as mixed as I would have liked or as we deserved). Of our losses five of these were only with a one goal difference (i.e. losing 3-2). We placed 7<sup>th</sup> ahead of White Eagles 2, Burnham on Sea and Taunton Vale 4.

We lost quite a few players at the beginning of the season to university, injury or other hobbies but also gained some new faces. We saw some of the junior girls start to come through with appearances from Evie and Rose Trafford and Amelia Dare. We hope to see more of them and the other young players next season. We also saw some old faces return in Ruth Butcher, Claire Baker-Lewis and Zoe Harris.

We had 13 different players of the match across the season with Amy Goss securing top spot of 4 weeks. We also had 8 different goal scorers with Kerryn Mullis only just securing top place by scoring her 7<sup>th</sup> goal in our last game of the season. More surprisingly on the stats front, only two cards this season. Even more so, the yellow wasn't for Emma Cridland who managed to survive the season with just one green card. The yellow went to Tess Down.

Our most improved this year was awarded to Kate Phillips. Having changed position at the start of this season from midfield to defence, Kate has really grown in confidence and has shown a lot of development in her ball control and ability to distribute the ball out of the "danger zone" that is our 25.

Our player of the season (voted for by the team) was very close this year – a testament to how strongly the team has played together. Deservedly, this was awarded to Lyndsay Blackshaw (10 years on from her first receiving the accolade).

Thanks this season go to James Spurdle for coaching, the committee for ensuring the smooth running of the club and to all of the umpires who have officiated our games.

Thanks also to my vice captains, Amy and Lyndsay. I wish them the best of luck next season as they (dependent on the vote later I suppose) take on joint captaincy of the 1<sup>st</sup> XI.

### c) MEN'S 3RD XI

This has been a season of ups and downs, the team has played 5 games with less than 11 players. There are some good youngsters coming through for the future. Alan expressed his thanks to the umpires and the comt.

d) MEN'S 2ND XI

This has been a torrid season with only 2 wins and 18 losses. It has been a very different team from that which had been promoted. The quality of hockey was very different in the new league. There had been many injuries, some of which have been long term. The poor results would not be an encouragement to anyone returning. Tom, Gary and Rollo stood out positively. It is the aim to regroup and begin next season with a positive attitude. Thanks to Spud for all his efforts.

e) MEN'S 1ST XI

It has been a poor season, losing several players at the beginning, there was never a settled side, perhaps caused by the poor results. Several promising youngsters found this new league hard, hopefully they have not been put off and will return next season.

f) JUNIOR REPORT 2018 / 2019

Another busy season for the Juniors, with new boys and girls coming along nearly every week. We have just over 100 registered.

The Club entered teams in all the Tournaments throughout the season and good progress was made with U10 Girls only one win away from winning the County Tournament. The U12 Boys finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and U14 Boys won for the second year, winning all five games and scoring 17 goals.

Many thanks to Sheila and Sue for looking after the admin on Wednesday evening. Also all coaches who have helped this season, especially Gary for his support and help at the Tournaments.

Achievement Winners	Emma Palmer	Alice Gibbins	Jasper Clements
	Amber Griffiths	Willoughby Gold	

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- a) Trevor enquired about the outcome of some of the committee phoning the male members of the club to enquire about their availability for next season, it was agreed that the results showed that there should be sufficient players to field three sides. Ben was anxious that there should be 13 players available for the 1st XI. He suggested there was an app available to deal with team selection but since we already pay for Pitchero and there is one associated with that it was hoped that Capts could be encouraged to use it for team selection. Andy suggested Captains should meet before the beginning of the season to plan how they will select.
- b) The league meeting is putting forward some changes about removing teams from the league and the dates which apply.
- c) Ben suggested a selection match at the beginning of the season, the ladies agreed this was a good idea. Date set Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Sept, ladies a.m. men p.m.
- d) Training, Ben has not fully collated the results of his questionnaire. Discussion followed about how to use the pitch on Wed and Thurs, it was pointed out that if we forego the booking on a Thurs the chances of getting it back were slight. After some time it was agreed it would be a shame to lose the Thurs slot so the men would continue to train that day. Ben and Mike will work on a plan for training to try to fulfil the requests for drills and fitness, as a results Paul's services would no longer be required.

8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

(see below)

Date of next meeting 14<sup>th</sup> May  
Meeting closed 9.05p.m.

COMMITTEE 2019			
PRESIDENT	Jim Sainsbury	Ros Clemmans	Sheila Bland
CHAIR	Hannah McGown	Amy Goss	Charlie CarverBale
VICECHAIR	Ben Larcombe	Hannah McGown	Amy Goss
SECRETARY	EJ Hines	Charlie CarverBale	Hannah McGown
PUBLIC RELATIONS	Steve Mahoney	Sheila Bland	Gary Wheaton
WEBSITE	Lois Butcher	Sue Stoker	Brian Baker
TREASURER	Lyndsay Blackshaw	Andy Swain	Hannah McGown
JUNIOR DEV	Andy Swain	Trevor Goss	Sheila Bland
WELFARE OFFICER	Trevor Goss	Sheila Bland	Hannah McGown
SOCIAL SEC	Matt Sheahan	Sue Stoker	Ros Clemmans
UMPIRES	Gary Wheaton	Andy Swain	Amy Goss
FIXTURES – LADIES S	Ros Clemmans	Charlie CarverBale	Sue Stoker
CAPT – MEN’S 1	Jonny Crease	Matt Sheahan	Ben Larcombe
VC	Matt Sheahan	Hannah McGown	Amy Goss
CAPT – MEN’S 2	Tom Eames	Ros Clemmans	Steve Mahoney
VC	Jason Goddard	Tom Eames	Steve Mahoney
CAPT – MEN’S 3	Steve Dare	Hannah McGown	Amy Goss
VC	Alan Cheffey	Steve Mahoney	Trevor Goss
CAPT – LADIES 1	Lyndsay Blackshaw, Amy Goss	Hannah McGown	Julie Saxby
VC	Hannah McGown	Lyndsay Blackshaw	James Spurdle
CAPT – LADIES S	Charlie CarverBale	Andy Swain	Ros Clemmans
VC	Julie Saxby	Charlie CarverBale	James Spurdle
MINUTES	Sheila Bland	Steve Mahoney	Hannah McGown
CLUB DEV OFF	Steve Mahoney	Andy Swain	Ros Clemmans
CO OPTED	James Spurdle	Hannah McGown	Lyndsay Blackshaw
UMPIRE DEV OFF	Gary Wheaton	Alan Cheffey	James Spurdle
CORP. SPONSORSHIP	Lois Butcher	Sheila Bland	Ros Clemmans