

# OXFORDSHIRE HOCKEY UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

## COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2012, 7.30pm

OUP SPORTS & SOCIAL CLUB, JORDAN HILL, OXFORD

### MINUTES

PRESENT: Sarah Jones, Lesley Potter, Steve Curnock, JJ Jeczalik, Andy Gwinn, Clive Briant.

1. APOLOGIES: None.
2. APPROVAL AND MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES: These were approved and there were no matters arising.
3. PROGRESS REPORT ON RECRUITMENT DRIVE: All committee members reported that they had been trying to encourage others to join the committee. Sarah has added requests to any correspondence to clubs. JJ welcomed Clive to his first committee meeting.
4. TREASURERS REPORT: C/A £2228.70, D/A £4305.96. The only transactions in September have been subscription payments.
5. MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Lesley and Sarah reported that they are receiving by cheque and BACS payments.  
Lesley said that she had not received any further feedback on Facebook and so it was decided not to pursue this facility further.
6. APPOINTMENTS: MID-WEEK - Steve reported that Wednesdays up to October 17<sup>th</sup> have been appointed with no problems. The 24<sup>th</sup> has potentially 9 games and there is a cup game on the 28<sup>th</sup> with only 1 umpire showing as available on the website.  
LEAGUE - Andy reported that we have managed to cover all Oxfordshire's games so far but Berks and Bucks are struggling for umpires. There were plans to cancel the game between Maidenhead and Oxford due to lack of umpires but 2 umpires were found when South released 1 from their reserve list and Maidenhead found another 1.  
3 clubs - Witney, Oxford and Abingdon Pilgrims, have received emails from Andy reminding them that they have not nominated an umpire for the pool this season. At present teams in 3A/3B do not receive a points penalty in this situation. Andy would like this to be adopted in future seasons. Sarah will include this in her report to South Management.  
Following some very unsatisfactory games in this year's Men's Summer League it has been decided that we will not be appointing to these games next year.
7. COACHING: Ray Hipkin needs to be registered as an Umpire Coach Candidate. Andy will follow this up.  
Andy assessed Mark Cribben and decided he needs a bit more practice. Neil Harris has moved into the area.

The next Level 1 course is booked for November 22<sup>nd</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>. It is planned that Zohair and Ray will take the course with Bridget as mentor.

8. YOUNG UMPIRES: SRYUAG Rep - Lynn Turnbull from Bucks is covering some of Oxfordshire's duties in the absence of our own rep.
9. WEBSITE: No issues.
10. 5 YEAR PLAN: Carried forward.
11. CLUB INVOLVEMENT: A poster to promote OHUA will be produced.
12. OHA MATTERS: None
13. SOUTH MATTERS: Next meeting October 15<sup>th</sup>. Sarah will attend. Items for report: 3A/3B league penalties, county use of unappointed south umpires.
14. KIT. No issues.
15. CORRESPONDENCE: EHB'S new Officiating and Volunteers National Manager, Richard Glynne-Jones, has contacted Andy offering a meeting. Andy will respond to arrange a meeting.
16. AOB .i) Andy suggested we check that recently qualified umpires have received their Welcome Packs from EH - Lesley will ask Dave Clark. ii) Yellow Card to Coaches. These instructions are unclear and Andy will contact EH to clarify the procedures. iii) Andy will check that the Course resources include the new rule books.
17. **NEXT MEETING - DECEMBER 6<sup>th</sup>**

Following the meeting we were joined by Lucy and Phillipa from Oxford HC to discuss their umpiring obligations to OHUA. Several points were discussed and clarified. All parties considered it a valuable exercise.