

Loughton Athletic Club AGM 31st March 2014 at the Loughton Club

Minutes

Present

George Richardson, Tony Maycraft, Brian Chapman, Gay Shillaker, John Cash, Peter Cassidy, Pauline Wilson, Michaela Davis, Rob Hyatt, Amie Harrison, Jim Harrison, John Ryan, Julie Ryan, James Ryan, Joanne Harrison, Barbara Higgins, David Hobbs, Jean Hobbs, Ted Martin, Lorna Gaffney, Doris de Souza Brady, Shaun de Souza Brady, Gavin Harper, Mick Higgins, Irene Petersen, Paulette Regan, Lara Regan, Mary Knapman, John Whitehouse

Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from John Hart, Duncan Rayney, Gary Hooper, Ann Heeks, Joanne Ryan, Mary Ryan, Ben Joyce, Paul Regan

Minutes of 2012 AGM

The minutes were agreed as accurate and signed.

Matters Arising

There was still no certificate for the club's war loan stock – but we were getting dividends.

Secretary's Report

Nothing to report.

Treasurer's Report

Brian Chapman distributed details of the accounts.

- The figures for the year were distorted by the installation of the all-weather surface.
- It is difficult to tell whether the club made a surplus or not.
- A rental provision had been made as Loughton TC had indicated that we might be subject to a rent review

The meeting voted thanks to Brian.

Unfilled Positions

David Hobbs said that he would be happy to assume the role of Chairman if others were to come forward to fulfil the roles that he currently undertakes. The meeting agreed that the club should work towards achieving it during the following year with a view to this happening in 2015. David was therefore provisionally elected as chairman on the understanding that others will fulfil his roles.

Election of Officers

Gavin Harper and Brian Chapman were re-elected to their existing roles. Tony Maycraft was re-elected as meetings secretary. Michaela Davis was elected as membership secretary.

Participation in Winter Leagues

There was a discussion based around the notes on this topic on the meeting agenda. There was then a vote as follows:

Stay in both leagues	17
Drop out of both leagues	0
Remain in one league	3

The committee will look at getting participation levels up with a specific focus on the Chingford League.

Clubhouse

There was a discussion around the notes on the agenda regarding the condition of the clubhouse. It was agreed that the committee will take opinions on the various options over the next 2 years.

All-Weather Surface

This had now been in use for a full year. It has had very good use over the winter – Gavin's group had maintained its numbers (20ish). This is what the surface was installed for. The issues surrounding access still remain.

Sportsperson of the Year 2013

After the secret ballot of those attending, the Sportsperson of the Year was awarded to **Amie Harrison**.

Other Business

Rob Hyatt: Reported on EFDC which might involve the club and may need some involvement from club coaches.

Mick Higgins: Reported that the EVAC league had disintegrated as the main people had left. There was a proposed breakaway league involving 3 matches although there were other midweek leagues that the club could join. The meeting agreed to continue with the proposed breakaway league and re-visit the issue next year.

Peter Cassidy: England Athletics now provide for direct elections on to its council. Peter had asked the committee to approve votes for 2 specific members. This had been agreed and they had been elected.

Tony Maycraft: The club was setting the course for the Mayors Fun Run. Help was required with this and marshalling the course.

The club had a large number of trophies which had not been awarded for some time and which nobody seemed keen to win. The club should consider its trophies and perhaps award fewer trophies for specific events of season-long performances.

George Richardson: The centenary booklet is still available

Doris DSB: Help with coaches will be required for the summer sessions.

Meeting closed at 21:29