

AGM
Minutes from 9th July 2020

Attendees Via Zoom

(Names according to camera title)

Lesley, Pauline, Nikki, Joy, Jen, Jo R, Sam, Denise, Ian, Caroline, Emily D, Jayme, 'Eagles', Mel, Alison, Ceri, Stewart, Helen E, Dorris', Emma C, Janice, Jim Welsh, Abigail, Becky Straker, Yetty Ashiru, Hazel, Julia Twelftree, Yvonne

(Sorry if I've excluded anyone - Zoom cameras weren't totally reliable)

Apologies:

Lesley Alexander, Jackie M, Claire, Karyn Samson, Jane Shearing

Minutes of last AGM:

Agreed

Matters arising:

None

Chairs' Report - Lesley Chapman

It's been a strange season due to Covid-19 but I would like to begin by thanking all of the Coaches for their hard work throughout the season but especially through lockdown. They, along with some prominent guests, have continued to offer training sessions impressively via Zoom. Thank you for their dedication. Thank you also to all of the volunteers. The Club is always looking for new volunteers.

Regarding next season, we will be guided by England Netball. We wait for communication from them but we hope things will be as near to normal as possible. Coaches and Committee will keep members updated on progress.

Thanks to Jo Nicol for a fantastic 20 year contribution to the Club. A lovely person who will be missed.

Thank you to Emily Drackford for taking over as Junior Lead Coach.

Thank you to Liz Coleby for the fantastic job she did as Treasurer. Her careful budgeting and planning has ensured a safe financial future for the Club. She will be missed and we wish her well.

Vice Chair's Report - Nikki

Nothing to report other than we have a full waiting list at the moment.

Secretary's Report - Pauline

Nothing to report.

Thank you to Nikki for all of her hard work in admin and communication for the Club

Finance Report - Jen Finley

Please see the attachment provided by Jen Finley.

Q: Do we have hardship funds available due to Covid-19?

A: This will be discussed at the next Committee meeting. We don't have anything specific planned but we will help out any members in need. If we can help, we should.

We have sponsored Mavericks who are struggling at the moment and we've made other donations throughout the year. (Lesley)

Thank you to Jen for all she's doing as Treasurer (Lesley)

Safeguarding - Debbie

Report to follow.

Emily offered to act as Safeguarding assistant to Debbie

Coaches' Report - Jo R, Coaches' Rep

In preparation for the beginning of the season, Jo R is ensuring all Coaches are compliant with regulations.

1) Team details - Joy, Senior Coach.

Regional:

Div 1 Hawks 4th

Div 3 Magpies to be promoted

Herts League:

Div 1 Phoenix 6th

Div 2 Merlins 2nd

Div 2 Doves 10th - demoted

Div 3 Ospreys 3rd

Div 4 Jays 1st

Div 4 Eagles 3rd

WHNL:

Div 1 Owls 5th

Div 1 Kiwis 6th

Div 1 Wasps 9th

Div 2 Falcons 7th

Div 3 Herons 6th

Div 4 Songbirds - promoted to Div 3

St Albans:

Div 2 Harriers 1st - promoted to Div 1

Wodson Park Herts District Netball League:

2nd Tier Harriers 2nd

Wormley Seniors:

Div 1 Hatfield 4th

Congratulations to all teams - Lesley

Constitution - Pauline Munro

**The Constitution has been updated by Lesley and Pauline.
Voted through**

Election of Officers:

All correct.

Chair - Lesley
Vice Chair - Nikki and Joy
Secretary - Pauline
Treasurer - Jen
Safeguarding - Debbie (assisted by Emily)
Coaches Rep - Jo R

Other members of the Committee will be responsible for:

Caps - Lesley
ENgage - Sam
Website - Denise
Kit and Hall hire - Ian
Direct Debits - Caroline
Membership - Sam
Senior Coach - Joy
Junior lead Coach - Emily

(Jo to Chair a Sub-Committee of Coaches and Team Managers)

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30th Anniversary:

2020 marks the 30th anniversary of Hatfield Netball Club.
Due to COVID-19 all celebrations and planning will be carried over to 2021

Kit:

Thank you to Ian for all of his hard work with the new kit supplier.

Volunteers:

There are a number of members showing an interest in volunteering. This will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

Meeting finished 7.30pm

HATFIELD NETBALL CLUB

AGM 9th JULY 2020

TREASURER'S REPORT

The current financial position of the netball club is very good and I would like to take the opportunity to publicly say that this is due to the careful stewardship of the outgoing treasurer, Liz Coleby. Liz vacated the post in December 2019 and in the many years that she took care of the finances she has done a fantastic job budgeting and planning to ensure that the club has sufficient funds.

The cash outflows are heavily weighted to the start of the season with advance payments on courts and league entry fees whilst increasingly the membership fees are paid monthly on direct debit. Through Liz's careful financial management, as a club we currently have in the region of £80k in the bank and so despite the challenges that Covid has thrown our way, the club is very much in the black.

Since the last AGM in January 2019, we have concluded the 2018/19 season and the accounts have been prepared by our accountants Fenlon & Co.

In relation to that year the club had income of £114k and expenditure of £117k – a net deficit of just under £3k. As you would expect the biggest items of expenditure included:

Court hire	£35k
Coaching Fees	£24k
Tournament & League entry	£13k

In addition, the club invested in equipment and training courses spending just under £4k.

The club closed the season and the financial year on 31st July 2019 with a surplus of £66k.

The current season (2019/20) has been successful so far. The club held its first overseas tour, taking a small group of juniors (U16's and U14's) to Dubai where they took part in friendly match play with local schools. The club also organised a 2 day "Northern Road Trip" for its U16 and U14 National squads to be tested against the best teams in the West Midlands and in the North. Both trips were fully self-funded and were such a huge success that the club will look to repeat these tours once netball resumes and travel restrictions are lifted.

Covid-19 brought the season to an abrupt end. From a financial perspective 99% of fees had been settled before Lockdown. The club proceeded to provide training and activities via several different channels such that we do not feel that we need to make refunds. Most court bookings were paid in advance and so the club has either been refunded or a credit owed on account. Similarly, advance tournament fees have been refunded.

As in previous years, the club will prepare budgets for the upcoming season 20/21 to ensure that membership prices are sufficient to meet the costs to run the club.

The club is very dependant on its coaching volunteers who give up their time and energy to coach and supervise matches. The club has been successful in bringing new coaches into the club and supporting their training to achieve recognised coaching qualifications, first aid and safeguarding.

With the change of some committee members the club has taken the opportunity to recruit a number of new volunteers to share the administrative workload – all of the positions are voluntary and the volunteers are not paid any staff costs.

Jennifer Finlay

HNC Treasurer