



Avon & Somerset Hockey Umpires Association

Committee Meeting

Tuesday 15th March 2016

Rudleigh Inn, Easton in Gordano
 Martcombe Rd, Bristol BS20 0QD
 Junction 19 M5. 7:30pm start

<p>Present: Alex Langman (AL); Charles Hallows (CH); Nick Morton (NM); Mike Bendry (MB); Chris Davis (CD); Vanda Fenn (VF); Martin Somers (MS) and Martin Hadley (MH).</p> <p>Apologies: Peter Lovell (PL)..</p> <p>Minutes: Alex Langman took the minutes.</p>	Actions
<p>Correspondence –</p>	None
<p>Actions arising from the previous meeting on 12th January 2016 Radios → Action point → AL to communicate with CH re radio allocation. Based on the most appointments, the committee decided to provide the following with a radio each: Martin Somers Joe De Souza Mike Bendry Alex Langman The committee decided to give out four radios and keep two as spare; with the instruction to CH to hold on to these spare radios for the time being. (Previous committee meeting point: That 10 to 12 radio units should be purchased and loaned out to ASHUA umpires, so long as they continue to take ASHUA appointed games. MB & MH list of ASHUA umpires for headsets).</p> <p>Club areas on ASHUA website → Action point → AL to email clubs re logging in to website. General discussion – Clubs need to manage their areas actively on the website. AL to email Club Secretaries to ensure that all clubs login and keep everything up to date.</p> <p>Tip card material should be published on the website. MH to look into re-producing the tip-card content for the website.</p> <p>Accounts and email issues raised by Nick Morton → Resolved → Communication by AL and NM with David Lane. £7 subsistence in now added manually by umpires (the automation caused problems where games were cancelled). Tex Solutions' ISP had problems forwarding emails produced by our platform. This affected other associations and has been resolved. Communication confirming the resolution received by AL. Appointment emails to clubs are now reaching the Umpires' Liaison Officers, as AL added their emails to Team contact lists (this was not obvious before).</p>	<p>Done. Radios brought to committee by CH.</p> <p>Done. AL sent email to club secretaries.</p> <p>Decision made not to do anything further here.</p> <p>Done. Resolved by AL and NM.</p>
<p>Current agenda (specific) points for the committee on the 15th March 2016</p>	None
<p>Classes of membership (NM point): what does this mean; and who should pay the annual £10 membership fee? NM has raised this as a committee meeting point, as additional administrative effort has been expended.</p> <p>Date and venue of AGM – Committee to set a date and venue for AGM and consider who is standing / not standing etc.</p> <p>New Treasurer required. The committee must consider who would take over the position following this year's AGM.</p> <p>AGM agenda point - Whether the existing charges / fees should be reviewed?</p>	
<p>Actual Minutes</p>	
<p>£7 Subsistence payment: The automated £7 subsistence payment has been removed (Umpires add this</p>	

<p>expense manually), and this has cleared the resulting website problems. CD – Reminded the committee why the subsistence payment was introduced and continues to be paid. MB – Some long journeys but also some very long journeys. The current Tex Solutions mileage system works.</p>	
<p>Membership Fee: NM – What is the £10 fee for and who should pay it? Wider discussions around the various types of membership, which membership types must pay the £10 annal membership fee, and who should belong to the various membership types? <u>Current types of membership in existence:</u> Full Member Affiliate Member Associate Member Non Member</p> <p>NM produced a list of various persons, and the committee went through the list and confirmed and changed the membership type accordingly. AL noted in particular movements in membership type between Full and Affiliate memberships.</p> <p>NM – Membership types → NM mentioned that PL had been doing membership. The committee decided that AL should take on the membership administration. Note: this was decided in order to support PL at this particular time.</p> <p>Membership types who must pay the £10 annual membership fee: The committee decided that Full Members and Associate Members must pay the £10 annual membership fee.</p>	
<p>Umpires' expenses: NM – Expenses have been paid. General discussion – Concerning a flat fee verses a mileage based expense. CH – Clubs could put games on earlier to perhaps release umpires (with the aim of umpiring for ASHUA). CH to write to clubs to ask them to consider scheduling earlier games.</p>	<p>CH to write to clubs. Schedule earlier games.</p>
<p>Umpire development: VF – Club Umpire Developers have been introduced. This should help in developing umpires within clubs.</p>	
<p>Initial consideration of who will stand for re-election at this year's AGM: Secretary / website – AL happy to stand again. Treasurer – NM not standing again. However, MH indicated his willingness to stand. Fixtures – MB happy to stand again. Chairman – CH would like not to stand. Umpiring Coach – Currently occupied by MH would be potentially vacant at the AGM. MH raised the question regarding: what is the role of a Coach? MH suggested that committee members could coach? Welfare Officer – VF suggested that a Welfare Officer was needed. Level 1 Comms – AL was asked to find out from PL what the Level 1 Communications Officer does. Committee Members Without Portfolio - CD, MS and VF indicated their willingness to stand again.</p>	<p>AL to speak with PL re Level 1 Comms.</p>
<p>Umpire Coaching: MH to write to Mark Petritch to say that he is good enough to umpire for the Association.</p>	<p>NM email Mark Petritch.</p>
<p>IAPS (Prep Schools): CH – Contact received from Millfield School. Whether the Association could provide umpires? No decision made by the Committee.</p>	<p>None.</p>

<p>Date for the 2015 / 2016 AGM: The Committee decided to hold the AGM on Tuesday 7th June 2016 at the Rudleigh Inn. To start at 7:30pm. Sandwiches to be provided by the pub. Subsequent note – AL has booked the date and arranged for sandwiches to be provided at the Rudleigh Inn.</p>	AL to send out an agenda nearer the time.
<p>AOB VF – mentioned the HUA Conference on the 11th and 12th June 2016 at Warwick. AL and VF will represent the ASHUA on Sunday 12th June. VF – To confirm with England Hockey.</p>	AL and VF to attend HUA conference in June 2016.
END OF COMMITTEE MEETING	