

**Minutes of the West Chiltington and Thakeham CC  
Annual General Meeting**

10th November 2017 7.30pm

The Pavilion, Mill Road, West Chiltington, RH20 2PZ

Numbers present: 22

**Welcome**

Welcome from the Chairman to the 2017 AGM

Apologies recorded: Will Hasler, Dick Groom, Sarah Osborne

**Matters Arising from 2016**

Request to change and reset the date for finalising accounts to 31st Oct

Senior players to attend on a Friday evening

Financial support to students wishing to return at weekend to play for club.

Capped at £15.

Clad container

Second mobile cage

Safety netting

Proposed Jim

Seconded Peter Jones

**Club Captains Report (Tim Jarvis)**

Review of 2017.

Mentioned Tim Monday

Aim was to achieve a standard of cricket they wanted to be playing at for the season.

Arundel Indoor preseason training had been a success.

Moving training to a Friday evening had been successful but could be improved/will fine tune for next year.

Overall a good season on the field

1st XI won their league (promoted)

2nd XI consolidated

3<sup>rd</sup> XI came second in their league and were promoted.

## **Looking ahead to 2018**

Senior league restructure has resulted in the 1st XI and 3<sup>rd</sup> XI being elevated by two divisions. 2nd XI will be staying in the same league. Both will be playing at the highest standard they have ever played at.

This will be a challenge

Some positive additions to the senior sides with juniors playing a bigger role in adult cricket.

A few new players joined the club and did well

Next season will be very different more competitive /higher level.

Sunday XI had a successful season

Sussex Cricket Foundation Six-a-side – we won the competition maintaining success from last year..

Juniors

Will Hasler is stepping down as Colts' Chairman. He was thanked for all of his work and the huge contribution he has made to the success of the junior section.

The club has healthy foundation for the future

Good team spirit.

Good communication in organising teams is crucial and needs improving.

Ladies and girls section under the management of Sarah Osborne continues to grow.

## **Colts' Chairman's Report (Read out on behalf of Colts' Chairman)**

Thanks to all the coaches for their support but a special mention to Mandy.

Successful season – we continue our upward trajectory.

Two Purposes to Colts

a) Sustain adult sides for the future and to provide pathways for development

b) to teach kids life skills through a fun game.

Confirmed club policy of playing SJCF aim to win but to be competitive in the leagues.

Trying to get the balance between giving all who want to be involved a chance and winning is difficult.

Indoor leagues a success being played now. Beating some of the bigger clubs.

Next season we will have an U19 t20 team JEM to run, Mandy Lucking to administrate.

Confirmation that Colts' Chairman will stand down and is now looking forward to watching some games.

Chairman offered thanks to Will in his absence for all the hard work he had put into the club over the last 17 years. He leaves a big hole but deserves a well-earned rest.

## **Treasurer's Report (Mike Charman)**

Another good year with income exceeding expenditure by about £5K.

Need to keep income going as we expand. Thakeham presents a possible drain on funds whilst new income streams are built up.

Tim Monday memorial fund ..... £2135 thanks to generous donations. The club will decide on best way of spending. To be considered by club committee and will focus on improving youth cricket in the district.

Funds will be ring fenced and decision will be notified.

The cost of SPP noted in the accounts was the net figure after all coaching fees.

It is expected that in 2018 overall costs will increase, rent/rates and others for second ground, additional coaches, renewing equipment to name a few.

Donation from Comyn and James is expected but not yet received as at the close of year so not included in the accounts.

Proposed Dudley Room

Seconded Jo Alcott

Accounts adopted.

### **Amendment to constitution**

Previously needed two signatures. Proposal has been agreed by committee to account for online banking.

In summary On line banking to be agreed by one signature but anything over £500 needs to be approved by Chairman by confirming email.

Treasurer read out agreed wording

Proposed Mike Charman

Seconded Jim Gee

Passed by the meeting

## **Chairman's Report (Stephen Hodgson)**

The club continues to thrive and go from strength to strength.

New senior league structure has been introduced but will be phased over two years. The views of all clubs were taken into account regarding the change of structure.

**League changes** introduced for the 2018 season but governance and rule changes will be delayed until 2019.

Looks positive for an improvement of cricket across the county.

In 2017 we had some fantastic social events many thanks to those involved but a special mention to Jason and Mandy Davies and Jo Alcott.

The club secured **Focus club re-accreditation**. Feedback was excellent in the set- up and governance of the club but as the club grows with the ever greater focus of safeguarding and welfare there will be a need to adopt more robust review processes going forwards. This needs to be an ongoing process not just every 3 years.

Thanks to Mandy Lucking and the Martin Dallyn Community Fund for organising and donating the **new defibrillator** which is now in the disabled toilet.

Also thanks for Judy Fryer for helping set it up.

**Club shop** – Chairman is working with Bill Easdale to set up a new on line club shop with a new supplier CJI Clothing. CJI have worked with Surridge for many years and after reassurances were sought it has been decided to stay with Surridge as club kit provider.

In addition to the reassurances it was also felt the cost to parents and players of replacing existing kit to new a new manufacturer would be too excessive.

It is hoped that the new shop will go live before Christmas.

**Richie Harrison** has agreed to take over the running of the club website which also needs some updating.

There is a strong possibility that the club will register as a **CASC** (community amateur sports club). There are benefits if we become a CASC club as it gives us a quasi-Charity Status which will be of benefit on the rates for the Thakeham pavilion offering a mandatory reduction of 80%.

Also provides the ability to claim gift aid on donations

**Thakeham ground** moving slowly but should be usable for start of 2018.

Pavilion structure has changed to a timber frame construction. Build to start Jan/Feb 2018.

It is hoped that a number of junior games, ladies' and 3<sup>rd</sup> XI games will be played at Thakeham next year.

Funds will be needed for purchase of ground maintenance equipment.

The club has prepared itself financially but it is hoped that Section 106 monies will be made available.

## **GDPR**

Confirmed that the new data protection rules do not apply to a recreational club.

## **Junior set up next year.**

Enormous thanks to Will for all he has done over the last few years. He will leave a huge gap.

The club have reaped the rewards with colts playing for adult teams.

Tim van Noort is now coaching at junior county level and heading up North and West areas. Positive comments from Tim about the club.

The club can't stand still.

Last year we employed a coach for U11s and U13's girls. Feedback confirmed this was a great success.

Plan to repeat for 2018 and additional coaches are being sought to ensure every age group has access to a dedicated coach if required.

Next season there will be a 3-way fixture in memory of Tim Monday involving WCTCC, Aldershot CC and Wisborough Green CC

Dudley Room questioned the change in pavilion structure at Thakeham. Not down to us but builders. Still negotiating re the equipment shed

Simon Crisp asked about the coaches.

Nothing has been finalised but the coaches will be coaching and not managing age groups.

Likely to be Friday evenings only but nothing finalised.

### **Subscriptions**

The committee proposed the following changes

Seniors and VPs £75 to £80

Ladies £20 to £40

Junior/Colts £60.

Students £50

Storks and Minis £40.

Siblings £30

Jason confirmed that other clubs had been looked at/different sports. We are still lower than others.

Match fees remain the same.

Student assistance to help cover travel costs will be continued. £15p/w

Proposed Jim Gee

Seconded Jo Alcott

Passed by the meeting

### **Election of Officers for 2017**

As required the Chairman stood down and the Club President Peter Jones took the meeting.

There being no other candidates Stephen Hodgson was re elected as **Chairman** for the following year

Proposed Jim Gee

Seconded Tim Jarvis

Vice Chair Vacant

**Treasurer Mike Charman**

Proposed Stephen Hodgson

Seconded Phil Goring

**Hon Secretary Mandy Davies**

Proposed Dudley Room

Seconded Phil Goring

**Colts Chair .....Vacant**

**Welfare Officer Sarah Osborne**

Proposed Stephen Hodgson

Seconded Jim Gee

**Club and First Team Captain Tim Jarvis**

Proposed Stephen Hodgson

Seconded John Room.

**Second Team Captain** Matt Goring

**Third Team manager.** Glyn Lucas will continue to be involved in selection and managing.

**Sunday Captain/manager.** Phil Abbott

**Membership Secretary** Jason Davies

**Fixtures Secretary** Will Hasler

**Groundsman/ Bar Manager** Jim Gee

**Website** Richie Harrison

**Sponsorship/ Club Handbook** John Taylor

**Ground facilities manager** Dave Farnes.

With no one stepping up to take on the role of Colts' Chairman the Chairman and committee are looking at introducing a different structure.

It is recognised that as the Colts' section has grown so much that there needs to be a rethink of how it will be managed, A structure that encourages the work to be spread across more people.

Junior Committee

The chairman spoke about the need for the junior coaches to be more involved in decisions and managing the section.

A Colts' coaches meeting is scheduled for the 6th December and this will be discussed and any decisions will come back to club committee for approval.

## **AOB**

Jim Gee proposed life membership for Will Hasler seconded by Stephen Hodgson.

Flipcharts showing volunteers for 2018 and gaps. Social side needs more volunteers as we cannot continue to rely on Mandy, Jason and Jo. Financial/grants/fundraising side could do with more volunteers/

We need to find a dozen or so more volunteers for next year.

Phil Goring asked for clarification on competitiveness of junior teams. To be raised at coaches meeting on 6 December. Should previous view be changed now the club is aiming to be more competitive? Chairman's view to maintain ethos of a village club. View that a written selection policy may help the coaches.

Reminder re quiz night next Friday.

New laws came into force 1 October - will arrange a meeting to go through for players/ umpires.

Meeting Closed : 9.05pm