

HITCHIN LACROSSE CLUB AGM

30th September 2008

Blueharts Hockey Club

Present: Steve McD, Dan, Ali, Gill, Sandra, Hazel, Nicola D, Helen, Jane, Sam, Cat, Abbie, Clare, Alice, Tom Castle, Chris Haig, Ali, John Mills, Rod, Ray.

Apologies: Martin Wisbey, Louise North, Olivia Rowe, Eddie Howarth, Gary Lancaster, Richard Gilligan

Juniors Present: Sam, Fran and Ellie

1. PRESIDENTS REPORT

Good team building. Got superstars amongst us. Nice to see people behind the scenes taking more responsibility.

2. TREASURERS REPORT

Made £2500 this year. Possibly spend it on development, astro, first aid kits etc. (ALI) Equipment query..... balls, shooting net and ladies sticks. (SM) Sticks may be borrowed each Wednesday or for mixed matches

3. CHAIRMANS REPORT

Big thanks to Eddie – he's done a great job as secretary. Hazel has also done far more than her fair share of everything. As a Club we are working more together – and people are doing their jobs. Big thanks to Hazel for being legend of mens umpiring.

4. MENS TEAM REPORT

1st not done so well. Shakey made nearly every game. Younger guys after Christmas made great show. Michael Halliwell and Tom Lincoln especially.

Summer decisions=

Need a co-captain.... Mr Leach

Year ahead is FLAGS push.

Now lost LDO so start may have been slower than planned.

16th Oct onwards there is no US player on our teams.

Also deciding to select 13 players per game, so that 2nds get a game.

2nd TEAM have had a successful season in E1. Made all fixtures, Jnr and younger stepped up. Finished 5/6th.

Hazel to organise Richards present/ card.

Chris Isaacs 15th Nov onwards will need to apply SEMLA special permission.

5. WOMENS REPORT

See attached.

Newbies taken in.

This season – Sam, Fran and Ellie U18B. Tabi U15A HERTS COUNTY TEAMS

6. JUNIORS REPORT

Low numbers. No new members. 9 or 10 regulars. Great skills improved by John Eager. For matches / tournaments they joined with Bucks, therefore fielding full teams. 2nd Junior Holder Trophy 0-1 final (Welwyn).

Junior FLAGS – U14 3rd... won round robins, lost on golden goal.

Won the first Junior Trophy.

Caldwell Cup – 6 a side – U12 0 – 1 in final.

U14 semi's – lost to Welwyn.

7. **DEVELOPMENT.** Level 3 coaching course was passed by Davey, Steve, Ray, Mike Black, Middleton, and Eamon. Level 1 coaching was passed by Gill, Ellie, Fran, Sarah H, Michael H, Alice and Hazel.

Steve is now 'Mr Development'. Steve has led it for the last 3 years... now he has title. Hitchin is now the focus. We are to build from the juniors again. Good Luck.

8. **CLUB HOUSE.** Given stick last year. Tried to find alternate venue, now feel more settled. It is used and enjoyed more. Juniors don't yet use it at all.

9. **PLAYING AND TRAINING KIT.** Vests available - £15 each – see Dan. Order for men's playing kit – need 2 more before the order goes on.

10. **TRAINING TIMES** – 1 hour? Need S.O. subs to have a reliable income to have astro for longer. If we have 2 hours = we may lose effectiveness. Training may becoming wishy washy. 1 hour is intense and effective. More space was mentioned, rather than longer.

11. **COACHES** – level 1's to progress to level 2's, to run Wednesdays and junior sessions. Steve to check junior fixtures. See Steve if interested in level 2.

12. LADIES RANDOM –

Team colours suggestion. Replace green with orange and blue. Nic D – suggested a club uniform, team approach and also need spare t-shirts. White with orange, Orange and Navy, stay as are or Blue with Orange. Blue with orange carried by majority vote of the 15 girls.

Team name – Hitchin sprites. Jemma said out of respect to longer standing members, it would be good to keep the name, but refer to team as Hitchin.

Website – update. Ladies to contact Dan for access. Helen said web was out of date. Match reports on there by Hazel.

13. **JUNIORS.** 22nd Oct – Fayre. Steve going. 12.30 – 2 ish. Anyone to support would be great.

Low recruitment is an issue.

LDO – need coach at junior matches. However difficult to split LDO time. Their training is Sat am 9.30 -11.00. Each senior member to turn up one Saturday per season to show enthusiasm and support.

Development liaison Officer – Steve to step away from chair etc. Can he then have official role? YES – Sandra first, Ray seconds.

ROLES and RESPONSIBILITIES

| | | 1 st | 2 nd |
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| President | RAY - | Dan | Sandra |
| CHAIRMAN | Steve steps down. ALISON nominated. | Sandra | Alice |
| SECRETARY | Eddie | Nicki | Hazel |
| TEAM CAPTAINS | | | |
| MEN 1 st | Steve & Wavey | Ray | Rod |
| MEN 2 nd | Elliot step down Giles nominated | Hazel | Steve |
| WOMEN | Nic Downing | Hazel | Alice |
| MIXED co - capt | Jane Rod | Nic Dan | Hazel Steve |
| FIXTURES SEC | Ali | Jemma | Nic |
| SOCIAL SEC MEN | Rod | Steve | Hazel |
| S SEC WOMEN | Jemma | Nic | Alice |

Huge thanks to the Chairman and Treasurer for all their hard work over the years.

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1. Pitch Markings – Ali – Kevan to be asked nicely to PLEASE continue! Steve and Dan to look into line marking machines, lime alternate etc.
2. Rod – Saturday is men's initiation – women are invited too. Match is 2pm v. Welwyn.
3. Thanks to Dan, Emily and Alice.
4. Ray – 17th Oct – Slavian National team men's lacrosse. 9 – 10 pm. Saturday 18th Oct is one of their players 21st. Party at Cricketers.

Meeting adjourned at 9.19pm