

## **AGM 7/9/2021 7:05pm**

**Attendance:** Aaron Henderson, Aleksandra Rakorczy, Alessandro Corso, Andrew Carr, Andy Edwards, Beata Piotrowicz, Christina Kada, Christopher Cam, Daniel Newman, Dave Carr, David Cowley, Dawid Tarasiuk, Eryk Jaszczuk, Filipa Carvalho, Jacek Majcher, Leah Perkis, Leon Fernandes, Mary Mills, Michal Pleban, Mike Rudd, Pawel Zelazewski, Richard Dölles, Sara Carr, Sophie Delaporte, Tammy Gibson, Tiger Needham

**Appologies:** None

**Minutes of Previous AGM:** Dave proposed and Andrew seconded that these were a true representation of the meeting.

**Chair's Report:** Full report attached below.

**Treasurer's Report:** Full report in separate document. The treasurer noted that income has been lower in the last 12 months as we didn't run a tournament in 2020 and are running it the week after this AGM this year. We also had some outlays for cleaning equipment and hand sanitiser due to COVID. In terms of charges, our use of Woodlands was covered by some hall fees from the 2019/2020 season that had not been refunded and we still have £46.50 credit with them. Both Richard Taunton and Woodlands have increased their prices this year, so we have decided to have a blanket rate of £5 per session, and for all age ranges. We may put that down in the future if we find that we're actually making money as we only need to cover our costs.

Alessandro queried how we pay and Dave outlined our usual mechanism whereby we keep attendance and then send a bill out at the end of the month.

Sophie queried whether the £5 per session was for both the Monday and Tuesday sessions, and Dave confirmed that it did

**Coach's Report:** Full report attached below on the previous season and future outlook.

Sophie asked whether there were plans to include cardio exercises and drills in training more. Andy said that there was no plan to do so in the Tuesday sessions but that the Monday sessions were intended to drive those players in attendance harder

**Social Secretary's Report:** Last year David joined Andreea as the social secretary, and then Andreea stood down. The COVID situation made it hard to organise any social events in the real world, but we had some online games evenings during some of the lockdown. We are running a picnic on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September and hope to go bowling as well later on the month. We also managed to enter a couple of teams into the Salisbury tournament, where everyone had fun.

Andy asked how we could help the social secretary and David said that ideas for future events are always welcome!

**COVID-19 protocols:** Andy reminded everyone about the latest version of the protocols and that we still have to be vigilant.

**Election of officers:**

- Andy Edwards was elected as Chair and stood down as Secretary
- David Carr was re-elected as Treasurer
- Leah Perkis was elected as club Secretary
- David Cowley and Mike Rudd were elected as Social Secretaries
- Tamara Gibson was re-elected as Club Welfare Officer
- Andy Edwards and David Cowley were elected as COVID19 officers

**AOB:** None

## **Chair's Report**

It was a shame that we had to end large indoor sessions after only a couple of weeks. We did not get to properly try out our Monday sessions with the new format (alternating mens and ladies). People were still keen to play volleyball despite the limit on numbers so we managed to get a good couple of weeks more of volleyball in before the restrictions tightened again. In the spring we started a session outdoors, and got everyone playing again, and some for the first time. Despite the difficulties of the last year due to COVID-19 I believe we have done very well at giving as many players as possible the chance to play volleyball.

## **Coach's Report for 2020-2021**

Given the lack of competitive play in 2020/2021, there isn't much to report on in terms of competitive results. Instead, I echo the chair's comments that we have actually picked up a lot of new members in the last 12 months, particularly in the 16-18 years age range. This is great for the club!

One of the challenges we have is that there is a wide range of skills within the club membership and we always want to remain open to beginners. To address this we had started running dedicated team training on Monday nights and I'm keen that we continue this. The Monday sessions will remain invite-only and will target higher intensity drills and higher skill levels. The Tuesday sessions will remain open to all club members and will focus on basic skills.

Along side this, I want us to target having the following teams in the available competitions:

- Two men's teams in the local league
- One ladies' team in the local league
- One men's team in the county league

I believe we have the players available to do this and to do well in those competitions

In terms of coaching development, I'm keen that we continue to help those that want to get their coaching qualifications. David Cowley is already booking onto VE's new assistant coaching course, and I'm keen that we continue this. We also have Dave Carr and Tammy Gibson as qualified coaches and I'd like us to make use of them across the season so that the members get the benefits of having different coaches with different styles and experiences.