**Minutes: Ropley Cricket Club 29th July, 2024**

Present (either in-person or online): Ben Matthews, Will Wharfe, Andy Erskine, Quentin Sandell, Adam Wheeler, Sarah Harry, Karen Bennett

Apologies: Les Spevock, Nerys Wheeler, Jules Phillips, Alex Minett

1. Minutes of 3rd June, 2024: approved
2. Treasurer’s Report (Nerys Wheeler): noted and approved

Noted that Year on Year £871 increase in Seniors subs, Juniors flat.
Committee agreed to pay Quentin Sandell the Head Grounds Manager fee of £4500.

1. Juniors update (Adam)

Successful season overall.
U15s not many matches
Girls impacted by GCSEs, hols.. lots of games being conceded.
Win league if win tonight!

Note: we need to increase number of coaches for juniors. Adam to organise a recap with Juniors coaches. Sarah suggest getting something into the Ropley Primary School newsletter.

1. Membership & Teamo update

Lucas Moran has offered to help with recruiting open seniors…. We’d also really like him to be on the committee… will invite.

1. Grounds Manager update (Quentin Sandell)
Woody will help with reseeding etc square at end of season
Pitch donation from HCB £220
Q going on groundkeeping course at Utilita bowl
2. Vice Chair update (Quentin Sandell)
Midweek crick… Q OK to do one more year managing - but please can we bring someone in to start supporting next year?
3. Parish council meeting update

Short summary: we have agreed to pay rent of £100 per year when current agreement runs out … so from 2027. 2017+ Had been £1/year – but that was an exception because of a complex issue related to VAT. Previous rate (up to 2017) had been £75/year. £100/year is effectively status quo allowing for inflation.

1. Ropley CC Rep on Ropley Sports Club Committee (Julia Philllips)
Julia sent apologies and flagged that next meeting of sport club is 13th Aug
2. Female Welfare officer update (Karen Bennett)

No issues to report

1. Male Welfare officer update (Tim Phillips)
No update
2. Social Media Coordinator (Rachel King)
No update.
3. Women & Girls update (Sarah Harry)
Women’s 1st team looking to be promoted to Div 1
Women’s 2nd team are 2nd in Div 3
Slam starts 2nd Aug

Plan for celebration of 10 years of Women and Girls Cricket at Ropley. 10th Aug. Play cricket then disco/karaoke in eve. Entry fee £5?
4. Chair’s update (Ben Matthews)
Jack Oxenham has stood down from captaincy of 1st team. Did not enjoy it. Tim/Tom to backfill for remainder of season.
Aim to have an open seniors meeting after the end of the season.
Play Crick – need to train caps to help us avoid getting fined by HCL
5. Secretary update (Will Wharfe)
Perins MAT questioning our 20% discount for indoor nets. If they persist WW to get quotes from Eggers, Amery Hill etc.
6. Club mark update (Alex Minett)
No update.
7. Insurance update (Alex Minett)
No update.
8. Next meeting date tbc – 3rd week Sept