

## CAMDRIDGESHIRE HOCKEY

### Minutes of the Cambridgeshire Hockey Management Team Meeting

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2005 at the Red Bull Pub, Barton Rd,  
Cambridge

Present: Sally Tippen, Jenny Sandford, Stephen Graves, Chris Hillsden,  
David Burt and Simon Fairhall.

#### Election of officers for 2005/6

Formal elections were not held this season. It was agreed that those people already carrying out responsibilities were appointed for the remainder of this season and officers formally elected at the AGM next year. Stephen Graves will be taking over the role of Treasurer and Sally Tippen is taking over the Chairman's role.

#### **Current Personnel**

Chairman	: Sally Tippen
Secretary	: Jenny Sandford
Treasurer	: Stephen Graves
Disciplinary Rep	: Chris Hillsdon
Men's Clubs Rep	: Chris Hillsdon
Umpires Reps	: David Burt and Richard Munns
Active Sport Rep	: Simon Fairhall
Junior Competitions Organiser	: Sally Tippen
East Competitions County Rep	: Sally Tippen

**Additional personnel** suggested for election next year.

1 x Women's Clubs Rep	:
2 x Schools Reps	: Sarah Juggins, Ali Cope : <b>Simon to approach.</b>
1 x Sports Development	: Sally Stanhope : <b>Sally to approach.</b>
2 x Junior Boys teams Reps	:
2 x Junior Girls teams Reps	:
2 x Young peoples Reps	: Jess Forster, St Ives; Pupils at Hills Road Sixth Form College : <b>Sally to approach</b>

## Finances

### **Accounts for 2004/5**

Statement of accounts prepared and presented by Sally Tippen.

Overall for the year, in good shape.

Balance at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2005 £9956.96

### **Issues discussed.**

Affiliation: Fees are required by all teams in the Cambridgeshire area entering competitions.

Cambridge Schools still owe the affiliation fee for 2004/5. The monies have been requested but not yet received. **Stephen chasing**

Cambridge University did not pay their affiliation fee last year and therefore owe double this year. **Stephen chasing**

Should Wisbech HC juniors pay affiliation fees as they do not enter competitions under the banner of Wisbech HC, but Wisbech Grammar School?

Junior County : No match fees have been received from Keith Baldock. **Simon will approach Keith.**

### **Senior County**

John Schofield took a senior county team to a 3 day competition. He presented County with the bill after the event to cover entry fees, umpires expenses and accommodation. Team members contributed £25 each. John funded the remainder personally which has left him out of pocket by ~ £500.00. County are prepared to cover entry fees and umpires expenses, but would expect team members to fund their own accommodation.

It was agreed that on this occasion we will cover £250.00 of John's losses.

In future County will only cover entry fees and umpires expenses for every county team.

Entries to competitions will only be accepted through a recognised county source; Stephen Barlow at England Hockey.

**Sally will sort.**

### **Season 2005/6**

School and Club affiliation notices have all gone out. We are waiting for the money to come back in.

A proposal to increase Affiliation fees next year will be voted in at the AGM.

Tournament entry fees: All currently up to date. Levels currently adequate.

### **New Treasurer**

Stephen Graves has taken over as Treasurer. Two signatories are now required for the Cambridge Building Society. These will be Sally and Stephen.

**Sally and Stephen will sort hand over and Signatory change.**

### Active Sports

England Hockey is now responsible for hockey development directly. They are allocated money directly and have a stronger say in how it is used. Active Sports currently has a question mark over its future. They are operating on a six month plan until the end of 2005.

Simon prepared and distributed copies of the Hockey Development Plan for 2005 and asked that we all look through it and respond on each action on a **red/amber/green** basis.

**All present to look through Simons plan and respond accordingly.**

There is £5000 - £6000 available to the County for sports development. Active Sports would like to appoint a Community Sports Coach to oversee all teams in the Cambs area, ensure the level of coaching was of an appropriate standard and consistent throughout the county. To ensure that players of county standard were not missed out of county squads. The candidate would require great experience, gravitas and kudos.

It was suggested the money might alternatively be used to provide:

\*Specialist Master classes for players and their current coaches.

\*Standardising the quality of county coaching across the board. Put together a programme of targets.

\* Development at the bottom of the ladder as well as at the top. Input into development squads and better crossover between these and the current county squads.

**Simon will discuss Active Sports current and future involvement with the development squads with Sally.**

### Discipline

2004/5 season

Chris Hillsdon reported that in The Cambs Leagues there were 2 red cards and 7 yellow cards issued all season. In the East League there were 7 red cards issued and 276 Yellow.

2005/6

So far no cards requiring a disciplinary action have been issued.

2 new disciplinary codes have been introduced.

\*Match day Misconduct, pertaining to players, managers and coaches.

\*Disrepute, pertaining to anybody present on match day, both on and off The pitch.

### Academy

Trevor Hopkinson and Mike Yeomans set up Cambs/Lincs Academy at Peterborough HC. The top few boys and Girls from County Squads were selected to receive specialist coaching helping them to qualify for regional squads.

Unfortunately Trevor and Mike were unable to secure the quality of coach they needed and ultimately the Academy was unable to achieve its original aim.

It was agreed that suitable coaches must be secured before there is any suggestion of resuming the Academy this season.

It was suggested that Sally contact Tess Hollingworth at The Perse to discover whether Glen Kirkham would be available to coach.

## Junior County

Junior County match playing kit for boys and girls is:

Orange shirts, Navy shorts/skirts, Orange socks.

In addition you may have Navy tracksuit trousers, Navy fleece, Navy hooded top, navy shower proof jacket and pale blue sweatshirt.

There have been complaints from opposing teams that Cambridgeshire County teams are not wearing the orange kit they were expecting, thus causing a colour clash and no change of kit.

**Jenny to write to all county coaches and managers at the start of next season detailing kit requirements and reasons why all teams must wear the same kit.**

## Umpires report.

There is a shortage of umpires, currently only 13 active in the pool.

To run a level 1 course contact Richard Munns.

We should try and be more pro active on Young Umpires days. Sally knows someone who would be keen to run one.

## East Competitions

Counties are receiving a rebate this year as actual umpire costs were well below budget. Counties will be paying in 2 instalments as last year, but the second instalment will be a balance after final known, rather than estimated costs. Budget is the same as last year.

## Future Meetings

The next Cambridgeshire Hockey Management meeting will be held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 2006 at The Red Bull Pub, Barton Road, Cambridge. At 8.00pm.