

VK Barnet AGM

The Gate, Barnet Road, Arkley

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Attendees:

- Angela
- Lisa
- Eloise
- Sue
- Joe
- Eric
- Corinna

1. Apologies:

- Olia
- Paul
- Petra

2. Agreement of minutes from the last AGM.

- Agreed

3. Update from HVA

- Ofsted have been to Rudolf Steiner School. Bad reports from parents. They are struggling to insure the school and as a result it may have to close. The HVA use the hall and shed. We may have to start paying for these facilities.
- Sportsmanship has improved.
- Issues around clubs paying membership fees. Did not involve VK. Going to impose fines and enforce them for non attendance at meetings. Also ask clubs for a goodwill deposit of £30.
- Angela to send the dates of the meetings for the whole year so we can ensure we have someone there. ACTION
- Rule changes – core player principle – 4 of your core players on court at anyone time. Any number of core players. Does not affect the women.

Team Final positions:

- Information not available on the website.

4. Reports:

- Chair – Ang - Well done everyone. Thanks for all your hard work.
- Treasurer – Joe –  
Accounting year ends on the 31/05/2018.  
Opening balance - £4541.21  
Income - £1578.25  
Expenditure - £3257.50  
Closing balance - £2861.96

Current balance - £2723.97

Still awaiting a cheque from the Met to cover the hall hire.

Team managers will authorise expenditure and will request funds from the Treasurer.

Junior section is completely self sufficient.

- Secretary – Lisa –
  - Coaches – Olia –
  - Played 10 matches. Lost 7 and won 3. 15 different players. Good broad squad. Thanks to all who travelled.
  - Barbara would like to come back and play.
  - Couple of junior girls would like to turn up to training.
  - Coaches – Eric - Men's 2 had a good start to the season. Strong team. Waivered in the middle with some tough matches. A few that went to five sets. Finished middle of the table. Tommy has been coaching which has been good development for him.
  - Fixtures – Corinna – Had to change a lot of games due to change of venue. Most teams were very understanding. We only forfeit one match due to an error.
  - Any enquiries from men via the website will be directed to Eric and he will assess them at his advanced Friday night session in a trial.
  - Managers – Paul - A troubled year for the guys with few players and worse communication. The lack of Met guys was apparent at the start of the year, unfortunately I know few people in the club, so the first game I think I invited more ladies to the match than men. The men did not train and as such it became apparent we could not complete matches due to the squad being the youth team and so transport and education being a priority. When we did play the mainly youth team played well, with the occasional senior. The link up with the Met team for the men will not continue. I cannot request funding from the Met to finance another club with at best 1 retired Met player or worse no Met players. playing a part. I would like to thank everyone at VK for giving us the opportunity to play in partnership over the last few years. The Met ladies will continue the fantastic VK Mets! The Met men have just come back from the nationals, losing the semi final 23 25, 24 25. Who knows what we would have done if we had trained! I hope I will still be welcome at the occasional training session, when my other commitments allow. Good luck in the future and I hope the youth team sticks together and gathers momentum, with a view of building another Men's team in the future.
  - Managers – Sue – Good use of teamer. Most people responded. People travelled all over to matches. Only forfeit one match.
  - Club Welfare officer – Need a GDPR statement? Lisa to ACTION.
  - Satellite Clubs – 4 sessions running. Really successful. 25-30 people on the Tuesday session. Entered junior competitions in London. On a grand prix basis. Girls won both. Second year that they have won. Girls under 18's also won though only played 2 games.
  - Youth games – Barnet boys to quarter finals. Enfield boys to semi finals and lost. Won the bronze medal match. Girls – joint thirteenth. Didn't get through the group stage. Lots of potential.
  - This year proposing we enter the national competition in under 16's and under 18's for both boys and girls. Preliminaries in November.
  - Communication – Website needs an update. Lisa to do the main club. Eric to update the junior section.
5. Elections
- Chair – Ang
  - Proposed – Lisa

- Seconded - Sue
  
- Treasurer – Joe
- Proposed – Eric
- Seconded – Ang
  
- Secretary – Lisa
- Proposed – Sue
- Seconded – Eric
  
- Fixtures – Corinna
- Proposed – Lisa
- Seconded – Sue
  
- Coaches – Eric and Olia
- Proposed – Lisa
- Seconded – Eloise
  
- Managers – Dominic and Sue
- Proposed – Lisa
- Seconded – Eric
  
- Club Welfare Officers – Eric
- Proposed – Eloise
- Seconded – Ang

#### 6. League and cup entries

- Second development, men's team proposed by Eric. Some of the senior junior players are able to step up.
- Completely self sufficient and will not require funding from the main VK club.
- Dominic Minton has volunteered to be the manager of this team. Tommy will play in this team. Josh Hill will also play.
- Referees will be sorted between the two teams. Dom is a registered referee.
- All matches will be Sat morning.
- Ang – need to consider how long this is still viable. Consideration as to whether the club can continue.
- Teams – Ladies team and 2 x men's teams both in second division.
- One men's cup entry and one ladies cup entry.
- Goals – no injuries, winning matches. Keeping competitive and development of teams.

#### 7. Subscriptions

- Pay as you go. £8 per session. £5 per session for concessions. Possible extra ordinary meeting to be called if the situation changes.
- No beginners.

#### 8. Club Member of the Year

- Corinna

9. AOB

- QE Update – letter received on the 11<sup>th</sup> Sept. Schools letting solutions are managing the hall. Still in negotiations with the school. Solicitors are now talking. Aiming to be using the hall in November. Launch date has had to be moved back.
- Sue will continue to chase this company for updates. She will ask for an update on the state of our posts. Their staff will be on site and will set up the equipment.
- Need to discuss with them the option to shower following the booking and the changeover time.
- Unaware of the price or times that will be available.

Meeting closed – 2145 hours.