

Minutes for DCHC Committee Meeting 7th June 2007

Attendees

Debs Duffy - DD
Miles Hudson – MH
John Redman – JR
Dave Jones - DJ
Steph Edmundson – SE
Chris Brown - CB

Apologies

Rich Hall
Di Woodings
Emma Kelly
Dougal Jerram
Paul Stevens
Nige Hornsby

Miles apologised for failing to invite AMS and Paul Stevens to this meeting!

Minutes

New Committee Members – welcome

Mel Hickman has agreed to head up the social committee, Dave Carter has agreed to become club secretary, Tony Taulbut has agreed in principle to become 1st team manager (we need to write and invite him)

DCHA AGM – any volunteers for ladies VP of DCHA – re-iterated by the DCHA.

NEHL AGM – 9th May. No business of real note came out of the meeting.

N&DHUA AGM – 15th May. No business of real note came out of this.

Umpiring Course – 10th June all day. Forms and payment sent in, attendees to be: JR; Jamsie; DW; SE; Andy Mac; Emma Bevan; Debs Duffy; reminder has been sent to candidates.

Ladies League meeting – 6th June MC. Little of real import came out of this – they set up a league to run home and away similar to the men's leagues. Critical point was that the start time window will be 10am to 4pm.

Next season's training – Ladies 7.30 – 9pm and Tuesdays

- Men 7-10pm water from mid August – end September; 7-9 for 3/4/5s and 8-10 for 1/2s
- Men 7-9pm water from 1st October Tuesdays: all players

Summer Training – 8-9pm water until 11th July (incl) mixed training - wednesdays
From 17th July 7-9pm half water pitch mens 1/2s - tuesdays
From Tuesday 21st August new season trg

Sunderland Ladies Merger – DCHC has been approached by Sunderland Ladies to merge our two clubs (DCHC name proposed to remain). Their club run 2 ladies team, one in the

national league and one in Durham Clubs League Div 1 (but should be in North Feeder league – relegated from a mid-table finish on a technicality). After consideration of many aspects of this idea (financial implications; social integration; player development pathways; junior training; our constitution; Maiden Castle’s ban on elite club hockey; implementation bureaucracy; the most important few). The committee decided to return to Sunderland with an offer of a partnership between our two teams in the Durham Clubs League with a view to working towards subsuming their National League team in a season or two once the financial difficulties can be worked out.

Social Events – Greyhound sports thingy. Steph has found out that we can setup a trip to the dogs for any Wednesday or Friday of our choosing.

Playday for next season – 1st September is to be club playday and trials, followed by a brief club meeting and the first social event of the season. Details TBA.

Kit – Mens 1s requested 50 training balls and 20 pre-match training balls. Ladies to advise on stock held and number needed for next season.

Durham Dinos poster – remove t-shirt, change dates. MH to email info to Hannah.

National Cups – women yes please; men lower level of national cup; Timpson YES PLEASE;

Sponsorship - There was some discussion of how we raise sponsorship and what can be offered to sponsors. SE suggested her father’s foundation were willing to sponsor the club. DD suggested she was in a position to chase up some possible ideas. It was suggested that RH might be able to get some sponsorship through Ernst and young.

The Next Committee meeting – 9th July at 7.30pm at Debs’ House.

Actions:

Person to action	Action	By
DJ	Debt list production and advertising	19 th June
MH	Enter teams for national cups	2 nd July
DJ	email of info re new subs to captains for distribution	19 th June
ML	Full information for all juniors to MH for entry into club database	14 th June
MH	Info to Hannah re Dinos poster	11 th July
Social comm	Plan a social for playday 1/9/07	9 th July
MH	Forward festival dates to CB	16 th June
DJ	Amend club list with info from ML to produce juniors analysis	1 st July
MH	Investigate Dave Lancaster price and possibilities	21 st June
RH	Investigate possibility of sponsorship by EY	9 th July
MH	Email Nige to check up on job description for 1s manager	16 th June
MH	Write to Tony Taulbut to invite to be 1s manager	9 th July
DW/MG	Advise MH of Ladies kit needs for training next season	9 th July
MH	Email Debs sponsorship letter templat	16 th June
MH	Write to SE’s foundation to request sponsorship	24 th June
MH	Meet with Sunderland Ladies to discuss merger	25 th June
NH/MH	Book pitches for training	9 th July