



# EMPRESA

## Annual General Meeting Minutes for Website Publication

### Wednesday 17 May 2017 at Taverham Recreational Facilities



Meeting start: 1930

League Management Committee Attendees: Chris Williamson, Avril Mallett, Ruth Aldous, Katy Harris, Aimee Konieczny

League Management Committee Apologies: Jenny Brine, Sue Cullum, Caroline Illing, Linda Clements

Club Attendees: Beccles, Breckland, Broadland, Carrow, Dereham, Diss, Evergreens, Harleston Magpies, Herlings, Hornets, Loddon, Lowestoft Railway, Norwich City, Norwich Dragons, Pelicans, Reepham, Thetford, UEA, Watton, Yarmouth

Club Apologies: North Norfolk

Business Item	Outcome
League Administrator's Welcome	<p>The administrator welcomed all attendees to the AGM, and gave thanks to the LMC recognising the work that goes on behind the scenes over the course of the season.</p> <p>She notified all attendees that Rob Woods, representing League Sponsors Empresa (IT Solutions Providers), would be presenting the trophies. She expressed everyone's thanks to the ongoing support provided by Empresa, which includes the development of a new website bringing the Norfolk Hockey Association firmly into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.</p> <p>Empresa were confirmed as League Sponsors for the upcoming 2017-18 season.</p> <p>Rob Woods offering thanks to all attendees for coming, and for being great ambassadors for the sport. He gave thanks to the LMC, the county and the community.</p>
Presentation of Trophies	Rob Woods presented the following trophies for the 2016-17 season:

	<p>Boys Development League Winners – Harleston Magpies &amp; Norwich Dragons A Boys Development Top Goal Scorer – Sam Emms (Harleston Magpies)</p> <p>Girls Development League Winners – Norwich City Girls Development Top Goal Scorer – Maddy Reynolds (Norwich Dragons)</p> <p>Division Three League Winners – Broadland 3s Division Three Top Goal Scorer – Ellie Kirby (Hornets)</p> <p>Division Two League Winners – Norwich City 5s Division Two Top Goal Scorer – Amelia Barclay (Norwich City 5s)</p> <p>Division One League Winners – Lowestoft Railway 1s Division One Top Goal Scorer – Suzanne Thorne (Dereham 4s)</p> <p>Premier League Winners – Norwich City 2s Premier League Top Goal Scorer – Danni Park (Broadland 1s)</p> <p>Congratulations to all winners.</p>
Previous Minutes	<p>Minutes from last year’s AGM were agreed, and there were no matters arising. Proposer: Vicky Mitchell Second: Carolyn Duthie</p>
Reports from League Management Committee	<p>Divisional Secretary Reports: Premier Division Division One Division Two Division Three Girls Development League Boys Development League</p> <p>Other Reports: Umpires Results Co-ordinator</p>

	<p>All reports were place on record. There were no questions or matters arising.</p>
Proposed Rule Changes for 2017-18 Season	<p>Three proposed rule changes were placed on record and discussed.</p> <p>Proposed Rule Change 1: Norwich Dragons  Norwich Dragons want to allow players to have the choice of wearing shorts as well as skirts and skorts. They also want more leeway on uniform for new players in Division Three.  Vote: For – 4, Against – 13, Abstain – 2  <i>The proposed rule change was not adopted.</i></p> <p>Proposed Rule Change 2: UEA  UEA want to see a change to the fixture timetable, allowing them to defer early fixtures that are scheduled before the start of the university term.  Vote: For – 1, Against – 17, Abstain – 1  <i>The proposed rule change was not adopted.</i></p> <p>Proposed Rule Change 3: League Management Committee  The LMC want to introduce rule changes that make use of the new website and would see easier starring, fixtures and communication between clubs.  Proposer: Tracy Brown  Second: Jackie Taylor  Vote: For – 17, Against – 1, Abstain – 1  <i>The proposed rule change was adopted.</i></p>
Changes to the Website	<p>Rob Woods from Empresa explained all the changes that are currently being worked on.</p> <p>Clubs will be required to provide their own Officer information and keep this up to date on their Club page within the new website. Information likely to be required before the end of June 2017. All Clubs will be required to have a Welfare Officer.</p> <p>Fixtures must be agreed and inputted into the new website by midnight on 21 August.</p> <p>Empresa are targeting completion within 7-10 days following the AGM, with Clubs given one month's notice before the first set of information requires completion.</p>

League Divisions Composition 2017-18	<p>Dereham and Pelicans indicated they will be entering new teams in the upcoming season.</p> <p>There will be 46 teams over four Divisions. The Divisions will have the following number of teams: Premier – 12, Division One – 12, Division Two – 12, Division Three – 10</p> <p>League dates have been confirmed.</p>
Norfolk Hockey Umpires Association	There was no report from the NHUA.
Additional Teams and New Kit	<p>Aside from Dereham and Pelicans, no additional teams were requested.</p> <p>Breckland requested a change in top colour to pink, rather than blue and pink.</p> <p>All Clubs were requested to notify the NHA Secretary of additional kit changes by 1 July 2017.</p>
Election of Officers	<p>There is a vacancy as Division Two Secretary.</p> <p>The administrator expressed her deepest thanks to Sue Cullum who has been Division Two Secretary for the past five years. She has tirelessly worked to ensure the smooth running of the Division, and provided great support to the LMC as a whole.</p> <p>Following the AGM, Glenn Moore volunteered to be Division Two Secretary for the 2017-18 season.</p> <p>All other Committee members have agreed to remain in place.</p>
Upcoming Boys and Girls Junior Development Meetings	<p>It was agreed that a meeting should be called on Wednesday 14 June at Taverham Recreational Facilities.</p> <p>Boys meeting: 1900-1945</p> <p>Girls meeting: 1945-2030</p>
Any Other Business	There was no other business to discuss.

Meeting Close: 2020

The next Annual General Meeting is 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018.