

Capel CC Committee

Minutes of meeting on 14th January 2025

Attending : Chris Parker, Mark Banfield, Norman Walke, Will Wright, Julie Sanders, Martin Storey, Hugh Patterson

Apologies:

Grant Cooper, Jon Stronell, Pieter Booyse

2. Last meeting minutes agree and sign off.

3. Chairman's Welcome & Update

New Year's Wishes and Pork products offered.

Congratulations to Will and Martin for the Christmas party.

To consider the venue for next year, sponsorship likely to end at the end of the season. Payment to venue still outstanding. Chris Parker to check with GC.

Still trying to arrange new sponsorship with TJ Fabrications.

Groundcare, Pete Bamford closing down ; Pieter Booyse is still investigating alternatives. Also need info from council. Paddock Wood athletics in same situation and interested in joint deal. Need someone in place in March. Chris Parker to follow up.

4. Constitution and AGM

EGM/AGM in February, to discuss new constitution, including reduction of main committee and introduction of sub-committees as follows :

Chair, Vice Chair ,Secretary ,Treasurer .Safeguarding Officer – to be management committee, and add a club captain role to represent the playing membership?

Skippers, junior club manager , and fixtures secretary to become the playing committee – consider pitch maintenance here as well.

Bar manager, social secretary– facilities committee and event management,

Will Wright expressed concerns about reduced involvement and slipping schedules due to layers of management.

Chris Parker to circulate doc for discussion, then committee to confirm date of EGM and provide 21 days' notice to members.

Works required on pavilion – ramp, exterior woodwork stain, internal

painting esp. toilets. Working party to be arranged – 5th & 6th April.

Open day planned for 5th of May, presidents lunch now planned for 13th September along with Zutphen fixture if they confirm tour ; we will need to publicise this – Martin Storey to email all members in good time.

5. Secretary's Update

Waiting for handover with Carole Stevenson, I will contact her.

Martin Storey provided briefing on email accounts and website management.

Now have 14 officers email accounts inked to the website domain ;

chair, vice chair, secretary, treasurer, safeguarding, social, publicity, membership, fixtures, men's captain, development, ladies captain, juniors, barb; Mark Banfield to take officers through sign-up process.

Existing committee gmail to be account of record for club business.

Martin Storey to publish fixture list on website when ready. And update list of officers on website. Mark Banfield to email outstanding minutes to Martin Storey.

Action on Mark Banfield to confirm membership numbers

5. Treasurer Update –supplied by Grant Cooper by Whatsapp ;

Cash at bank £10,300

2024 net profit £1,900

Only major outgoing was the mower repair at c. £3000

So with no new major outgoings and similar cost / income structure we could add c. £5000 per annum.

Membership fees for 2025 to be discussed at February committee meeting.

6. Ladies' captain -

First softball league played on Sunday, 6-a-side v Cowdrey, will play next 6 Sundays and then into winter training.

Regarding Wendy Kent's illness, committee agreed to send flowers on behalf of club.

7. Social

No new events, but will email sponsors for year ahead ; Oak Tree Barn still sponsors this year. Hugh Patterson suggested trying Tunbridge Wells roofing (not entirely seriously)?

Status of GTDS as sponsors of Ladies' team to be investigated following new ownership of this company.

8. Fixtures

List in progress, current list provided bt Hugh Patterson, but updates to continue.

6. Safeguarding Update

No new updates, Ewan Mackenzie still in role as a non-committee member.

7. Upcoming Events

No confirmed dates although plans are afoot,

8. AOB

Next 2 meeting dates

11th Feb – already agreed.

EGM will follow, to be confirmed.