

Capel CC Committee

Minutes of meeting held on 19th May 2026

Attending in person : Chris Parker, Mark Banfield, Martin Storey, NW, Julie Sanders, Ryan Walmsley, Jade Tamsett, Michelle Archer, Hugh Patterson

Attending via Whatsapp call : Jon Stronell, Grant Cooper, Richard Morgan

Apologies : Tom Stronell

1. Last meeting minutes agree and sign off.

Cowdrey game on our pitch went ahead successfully ; they need our bank account details to pay us their match fees

Capel FC starting up again, maybe will be playing games in August, this could affect the remaining Cowdrey games.

Hardship fund notifications done.

The missing container keys have been found, so no new lock required.

2. Chairman's Welcome & Update

The chairman noted our early success on the field

The bar takings have been good so far.

Thanks were offered to those taking part in the pavilion working party.

Thanks were offered to Jon Stronell for the April open junior softball session.

More volunteers have come forward for Teas, and the rota is now full.

4. Treasurer's Update

Overall: Finances beginning to look healthier given sponsorship income and resumption of bar income.

Other comments/requests:

- Waiting for membership chasing to be completed before I transfer funds from Stripe to Barclays:

- Can team captains please chase all outstanding playing memberships and advise when done?

- Similarly can we chase up outstanding social memberships and advise when done?

- I think Mark is still paying Teamo fees – when will he set this up from the club's Barclays account? - To do shortly.

- Are we now happy to close our webcollect account? (We need to be sure as

this will be irreversible.) MB to check will email all club members

- Any progress getting Jon on Barclays internet banking so he can approve transactions?

- Can Chris thank Harold for George & Dragon quiz donation if not already done? Chris Parker will invite him to the Presidents' lunch.

5. Secretary's Update

Regarding Teamo, to send emails you have to use an existing email account, and send to a link for the group provided by Teamo, and this is then forwarded by Teamo to the members of the group. Chris Parker requested the committee email details

For match fees, Martin Storey explained that the team captain needs to confirm the team list for the fixture, and then the players will be able to make the payment through Teamo.

Regarding webcollect, have they shut our account ? This has not happened yet.

The club's Teamo chats are now being used for availability

6. Safeguarding Update

Jade Tamsett has her SafeHands certificate & account, and we have completed Martin Barwick's DBS ; we need to provide an up-to-date risk assessment for the SafeHands site, Mark Banfield to check the drive for this.

Website/Facebook need Ewan Mackenzie's contact details removed.

7. Men's Captain's Update

Tom is in Scotland ; the Firsts lost to Southborough although the opposition noted that they enjoyed the match, and they did have a couple of first team players, without whom they might well have lost. The hardball players are now preparing for the Southend tour.

8. Ladies' Captain's Update

Started outdoor training, now have a practice strip, can that be kept ? Try to find a way to have a softball strip somewhere on the field, but Ryan Walmsley needs more help, to check for volunteers.

Lost their first bash match to Penshurst, but with an inexperienced team ; home game against Castle Hill this Sunday when the hardball team are on tour, Ryan Walmsley asked them to use the closest strip to pavilion and sprung stumps. Match will be played off 19 yards so needs measuring for paint. RW to do. EM/JM to run bar, MB to score.

Maddy Boyle is keen to do a coaching course.

Softball league fixture in June, teams to be confirmed.

They have some former playing members now joining as social members and are still looking for playing members.

9. Development Team Update

Short of umpires and scorers ; complicated by new ECB rule that these need DBS certificates if juniors are playing, Ryan Walmsley noted that is an issue with a young team. Juniors can perform these roles if we have 2 DBS checked adults at the match ; need to check who would volunteer for this. Captains to progress.

Richard Morgan away from mid-June so will complicate matters further. We will need a qualified coach to lead Friday evening hardball sessions.

Congratulations to Chase Barwick on 2 successive 5-fers ; as in previous years the batting is still a weakness, otherwise good performances and spirit.

So far this season they have played 3, and won 2.

10. Junior Club Update

Played 3, lost 1 slightly lazily, important to keep U15s engaged, improving well. Recruitment efforts continue, with another player set to join when signed off.

New shirts to be ordered re Grays Cafe sponsorship, 2-3 weeks delivery, from Absolute, Chris Parker might be able to increase our discount.

11. Bar Update

Fete weekend tokens to be £4, cider to be same, pint size lagers & ciders will be available.

Wines will be £4, also Prosecco etc. Gin tasting went well, 2 gins and jugs of Pimms have been selected, these will use the same tokens.

To use Jon Stronell's car for a tip run to dump fridge and old TV.

Large fridge donated by Tonbridge Juddians has packed up, but the storage cupboard is cold enough for the short term. Norman Walke to start stocking up for fete weekend.

The late decision on bar staff for the Lasies' home Bash game was discussed ; should this be the captain's responsibility ? Unfortunately none of the regular staff were available, and volunteers were found at the last minute, leaving Norman short on time to train people and set up. Committee to call for volunteers.

Need to ensure that the pavilion is open for ladies' home games even if no bar.

Chris Parker to publicise the need for more volunteers, for all roles ; new bar staff

will need to be aware of issues with accepting cash payments.

Chris Parker has emailed findings from the ECB visit, work on the changing rooms out of scope for this year (due to ECB requirements), but we need to sort the bar work now, the ECB representatives had positive views on that. We need to apply before 15th June, need dimensional drawings (Chris Parker to do and Martin Storey to scan) ; and provide 2 quotes for building, need to add flooring and furniture, any electrical work, an outdoor heaters ; ,we should aim for 18K spend for 15K grant. Committee need to advise on good quality furniture, Norman Walke and Chris Parker to confirm details of the bar move ; folding chairs outside and stacking chairs inside suggested, maybe sofas inside as well. It is hoped that Jane Mackenzie will be able to help with interior design.

New path from car park to pavilion included by Chris Parker.

12. Social Secretary update & Upcoming Events

Southend tour from Friday, Jon Sstronell has organised the program ; T20 match on Friday, longer game on Sunday, the host club are providing curry on the Friday and we will supply pennants and Man of Match awards ; we will need 2 polypins from Tonbridge brewery (copperknob and blonde ambition). Ryan Walmsley also has some ideas for tour awards.

There will be a social day on Saturday with pub visits and crazy golf on offer.

13. AOB

Hugh Patterson informed the committee of the plans for a new Paddock Wood Cricket Club, committee will discuss our response/involvement at next meeting, although the Committee are generally supportive. Chris Parker to respond along those lines to the organisers.

Ryan Walmsley raised the issue of outfield cuts, these have not been up to standard so far. Pete Bamford would charge £120 per cut, or Jacob Curtis would be available every other week as part of the Scripps sponsorship. Council-provided cuts are currently carried out on Mondays, we can ask Louise if this can happen later in the week, Chris Parker to include this in his email to the parish council about football dates.

Chris Parker raised feedback from visiting development team re our player conduct, will ask captains to remind players of our code of conduct.

Next 2 meeting dates -

16th June already agreed.

14th of July.

