

## ADNL Committee Meeting

**Date: 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017 @ 7:30pm**

**Arcott Way, Aylesbury, HP19 7AW**

Apologies: Alice Wilkinson (AW)

Present: Sheena Woodward (SW), Teri Guest (TG), Sonia Holford (SAH), Lynne Scott (LS), Samantha Hardy (SJH), Melissa Le Tissier (MLT), Claire Hawkes (CH), Molly Wilkinson (MW)

### **AGENDA ITEM**

### **ACTION**

#### **Minutes from the Last Committee Meeting**

Agreed

LS to file

#### **Matters Arising from the last Meeting**

##### Umpiring

- The Umpiring team are checking the scoresheets to ensure that Team Captains are using appropriately qualified umpires.
- The umpiring refresher workshop took place successfully on Wed 6th Sept
- Teams have been making use of the Facebook Umpiring Requests page to communicate with each other.
- CH and the County Umpiring Secretary are working together on an umpiring plan for the League

The above matters arise every meeting, so will be moved to Umpiring as Standing Items.

##### Gifts for teams

Royal Jets have been given their ADNL ball.

##### Coached sessions

SJH will be revising the format of the sessions and feeding back to the committee at the March 2018 Committee Meeting.

SJH to feedback at the March Committee Meeting.

##### Sideline coaching

SJH arranged for SW to provide 9 sideline coaching sessions over the course of the season for Foxes, Raggydolls, Jubilees and Southcott. So far SW has delivered 3 sessions and the feedback has been extremely positive. She has 6 more sessions booked up to the end of the season.

SJH to update the Committee with the feedback from the teams at the next Committee Meeting.

##### North Bucks Committee meeting feedback

SJH and SAH were warmly welcomed by the North Bucks Committee at their meeting on the 4th September 2017 at the Watermead Inn. The next meeting is due to take place in early December.

##### North Bucks AGM

Informed by North Bucks that Bedgrove failed to attend their AGM. 5 points were deducted from each team's total.

##### League documents

All the documents were completed prior to the season starting and uploaded to our website.

##### Tribute to a deceased member

It was agreed that there would be an annual award in memory of a former member who is recently deceased. Either a 'fair play' award or a 'shooters' award.

There was some discussion regarding asking teams if they would like to take part in raising funds for charity. This would be either per goal or a donation.

To be discussed further at the next Committee Meeting.

<p><b><u>Umpiring Workshop</u></b>  An email was received from a Club who said they were not aware of the September Workshop so one of their umpires would not be able to attend. CH reminded the Club that the Workshop is always held in the first week of September and that notification was given at the June AGM. The Umpire in question was able to attend the workshop.</p>	
<p><b><u>League Entry: Minimum Age</u></b>  The Committee discussed the possibility of raising the entry age from 14 to 16. The reason for this is twofold: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Over several seasons, teams with junior players have sited their player’s young age as a reason for them to be treated favourably in issues regarding player conduct.</li> <li>• The Youth League are wanting to encourage young players to join them.</li> </ul> <p>The pathway from junior netball to senior netball, via the Youth League may ensure that younger players are mature enough to cope with senior netball.</p> <p>Players who are under 16 and currently playing in the League will be allowed to remain. New players wanting to join the League for the 2018/19 season and beyond must be aged 16.</p> <p>The Committee may make an exception to the rule if a player has been identified as being talented enough to play at a senior level. This decision will be made on a case-by-case basis.</p>	<p>To be discussed further at the next Committee Meeting.</p>
<p><b><u>Complaint</u></b>  <b><u>4th October: Division 5 - Quainton Sails v Raggy Dolls</u></b>  Having read all the evidence given and after a lengthy discussion, the Committee have found that the allegations against Raggy Dolls have been substantiated and they are in breach of the League’s Code of Conduct. In addition, Quainton Sails have also been found to be in breach of the Code of Conduct.</p> <p>As Raggy Dolls are on a Final Warning from the 2016/17 season and were informed that any further conduct not befitting the League would result in their club’s expulsion, the Committee will give notice of its intention to Expel their team from the League. They will be given time to appeal the decision, during which their team will be Suspended In lieu of Expulsion and will not be allowed to take part in or attend division 5 League fixtures.</p> <p>Quainton will be issued with a Warning for their Conduct.</p>	<p>Both teams to be notified by email.</p>
<p><b><u>Correspondence to ADNL</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Email received from Kites who feel that they have been put at a disadvantage because they would like to have more 8:00pm games. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Kites to be informed that the committee try to have parity but other factors eg. multi teams and rota duty have an impact.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Email received from Kites to complain about buying new kit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Team to be reminded of the rule regarding Team Uniform.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Jets’ made contact regarding the venue (John Colet) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The basketball nets have been left down again. Apparently, this has happened numerous times.</li> <li>○ John Colet have been informed and asked for a contact number for the Caretaker should this situation arise again.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Emails to be sent to Kites.</p>

<p><b><u>Matters Arising from the venue sheets</u></b></p> <p><u>13 Sept: Div 4 - John Colet (JC)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Caretaker told the rota team that the posts need to be put out and taken away by the teams. Also, all doors should be shut. SAH contacted JC to clarify. Teams have been notified by email of JC's requirements.</li> </ul> <p><u>Oct: Div 5 - Wingrave Jets v Wingrave Zodiacs</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Raggydolls late for scoring duty (arrived at 7:07pm) The Committee investigated the complaint, it was felt that the lateness did not affect the game. No further action to be taken.</li> </ul>	
<p><b><u>Feedback from the Divisional Reps</u></b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
<p><b><u>Affiliations</u></b></p> <p><u>Rule Infringement: Failure to follow the affiliations process - Bedgrove Belles, Division 1</u></p> <p>The venue copy of the Player Registration Form was altered by the team captain, which is a Rule Infringement. The Team were asked to provide their mitigating circumstances for the Infringement. Having reviewed the evidence supplied and considered Bedgrove's mitigating circumstances, the Committee will be applying the Rule. 5 points will be deducted from the team's total.</p>	<p>Team to be notified of the Committee's decision. Division one table to be updated.</p>
<p><u>Royal Jets – Signature Discrepancies</u></p> <p>Two players have <u>not</u> been signing their scoresheet with the same signature as entered on their team's Player Registration Form. As the Affiliations Secretary could see that the handwriting on the scoresheet and the PRF are the same, no sanctions will be taken against the team. The team have been informed that the signature written on the PRF must be used when signing the scoresheet.</p>	
<p><b><u>Umpiring</u></b></p> <p>The November Into Officiating Course has been rescheduled for February/March 2018.</p> <p>From the 2018/19 Season Team Umpires must have been actively umpiring in the ADNL the season before and will have umpired a minimum of 7 games for their Team.</p> <p>The only exceptions to the above that the Committee will consider on a case-by-case basis are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Team Umpires who were unable to meet the 7 game criteria because their Team has multiple umpires registered and the umpiring was shared.</li> <li>Teams with umpires who are new to ADNL, if they are able to prove they have umpired at least 7 games in another League the previous season.</li> <li>Teams joining the League in the lowest division, if they meet all other umpiring criteria.</li> </ul> <p>The Working Towards C Award course was successful, all our attendees are ready to move forward in the assessment process this season. Assessors commented on it being a marked improvement of the ability of the learners compared with previous C award courses held which were unrestricted.</p>	

<p>Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> umpire evening will be ‘an evening with Bernie and Sandra’ and will be focus on game management.</p> <p>Theory paper tests have been scheduled for the New Year – information is on the ADNL website.</p> <p>Pre-assessment sessions will be organised to prepare umpires for their assessments.</p> <p>ADNL &amp; MK tests to be held before Christmas - with newbie assessors observing.</p> <p>Premier division: We will be replicating the work that has been done in lower divisions to bridge gap for standard of teams allowing higher C-B umpires to move their umpiring forward.</p> <p>Experienced umpires will be invited to Premier &amp; Division 1 matches to observe and feedback on umpiring.</p>	
<p><b><u>Treasurer</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Teams are up-to-date with payments to ADNL.</li> <li>• All invoices have been paid</li> <li>• Court fees for the first half of the 2017/18 season were emailed at the end of September 2017.</li> </ul>	
<p><b><u>Fixtures/Venues/Results</u></b></p> <p>Fixtures: cancellation:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. 13th Sept: Div 1 – Match cancelled by Chelbridge. Match awarded to Camelot and average ‘goals for’ added. Chelbridge to be deducted 5 points and Camelot’s average ‘goals for’ added as ‘goals against’.</li> <li>ii. 13th Sept: Div 4 – Match cancelled due to Jubilees umpire not arriving. Match to be replayed at the expense of Jubilees. Jubilees are also required to provide the match officials.</li> <li>iii. 1st Nov: Div 5 - College cancelled the booking, the fixtures will be rescheduled at the end of the season on one of the extra dates.</li> </ol> <p>Venues:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. AVA - A company called BAM FM (Midlands) Ltd have taken over the sports hall bookings. They have provided a booking form for this season and an advance booking form for next season. They will send out the invoices as soon as they are in a position to do this, as the handover from the school has been chaotic.</li> </ol> <p>Results</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. SAS Blues late results reporting Team provided evidence that the text message was sent to the wrong telephone number. Committee decided not to take any action against the team</li> <li>ii. Delayed paperwork Teams have been posting the paperwork late so it is often arriving on the Monday and sometimes on the Tuesday. This adversely impacts both the Affiliations and Fixtures Secretaries.</li> </ol>	<p>Email notification to teams. Update tables</p> <p>Email notification to Jubilees. Reschedule fixture and inform teams of the date.</p> <p>Teams to be notified of the rescheduled games.</p> <p>Team to be notified and reminded of the correct telephone number.</p> <p>Teams to be reminded that the paperwork should be posted by the Thursday after the match.</p>

<b><u>Any Other Business</u></b> Nothing to report	
<b><u>Date of next meeting committee</u></b> Proposed for 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2018 @ 7:30pm – Venue and date to be confirmed	LS to organise
<b>Meeting Closed at 11:50pm</b>	