

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of HHCC held on Thursday 7th December 2023 @
HHCC – 8pm**

Present:

Bob Fullicks, James Boulton, Sam Fullicks, Adam Mackinney, Ian Exworth, Zeeshan Bajwa, Paul Neville, Dave Mackinney, Howard Campion, Simon Burke, Keith Bush, Charlie Newton-Savage, Jamie Hillier, Jake Wood, Tom Hampton, Nigel Harman, Paul Thornley, Graham Kendall, Nikki MacKinney, Lisa Fullicks, Ria Broad, Charlotte Rance

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from;

Alec Barry, Andrew Blair, Sam Rogers, Henry Laidlow, Ollie Ruthven, EASHAN Patel, Simon Whitehead, Ajmal Bhatti, Felix Rance, Tommy Rance, Noah Boyden, Alex Penny Kemp, Tahir Butt, Will Aust, David Castor, Rufus Aldridge, Gary Morley, John Cadogan, Richard Longley, Joe Ayley, William Davies, Jack Ainsworth. Ben Blackshire, Ollie Blackshire, Jack Fullicks, Louis Juniper, Tom Coates, Neel Dhokia, Max McGregor, Nally Fernando, Warren Carr, Dharamvir Puri, Manj Blah, Andy Davitt, Ryan Harsant, Chris Warrens, James Allen-Perry, Paul Hennessy, Naved Nakhwa, Louis McCartney, Gavin McCartney, Mae Bush, Will Bush, Andrew Sykes, Richard Bennett, Darren Jonusas, Jack Baverstock, Adam Oliver, Neil Baverstock, Vamshi Ponnam, James Everett, Roger Coates, William Smith, David Merchant, Sandeepan Senapati, Daniel Mackinney, David Coates, Niyam Limbachia, Mark Broad, Nicholas Davies, Jeremy Fallows

2 President's opening remarks

“Welcome everyone to the 2023 AGM for HHCC

This is the evening where we shape the next 12 months, and beyond for this great club

I have been in this position for over 10 years now, and I am constantly amazed at how we continue to grow and develop both from a cricketing and social aspect. As I mentioned, I keep expecting this to slow down and we have a quiet few years, but we still keep moving forward.

I talked about the ever expanding junior set up last season, and it just gets bigger and better. I am in the process of organising over 150 junior matches, including and U8 friendly league for the 1st time. We continue to integrate them into our senior sides, building up their confidence and experience in cricket, but also more importantly the club ethos, and they quickly understand that it is their club, their home. A legacy we should all be proud of.

It is not just on the pitch that we have grown, our facilities project has seen us level our playing field, and from next season we will reap the benefits of our training square in front of the clubhouse. We are also heavily invested in the Carlisle Park net replacement, but as with everything related to the council, this is taking much longer than it should. Our footprint now includes not only St James, but also Hampton School and Hampton

High for our winter nets program. We are a strong member of the local community, as witnessed by the KWIKs in full cry at the Hampton Hill Christmas parade a few weeks back.

None of this happens by chance, we are blessed by an army of volunteers, coaches, kitchen staff, chauffeurs, and on top of that are our Committee, and I would like to thank them all for their hard work and dedication they have put in over the last 12 months, mostly unseen by the membership. A few may be stepping down, with hopefully young blood coming on to freshen us oldies up, which is required to keep the club evolving and improving.

Finally, I would like to say thank you to you all, for your continued support of our Club. You make this club what it is, you are our beating heart, and I am, as ever, extremely privileged to be your President.”

Those present applauded this welcome.

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Proposed: RF, Seconded: TH, Vote: Unanimous

4. Report by the Honorary Treasurer

(The Accounts and Balance Sheet are attached at the end of these minutes)

Dave Mackinney reported as follows:

“The Financial Statements have been drawn up from 1st October 2022 to 30 September 2023, and have been audited by David Glynn of Accounting Function Ltd

For the first time in many years, we have actually made a loss, but with very good reason. If you look at the bare figures, our Profit/Loss account states a loss of just over £43K. However, we know that we had a substantial expenditure last year with the Ground Levelling and Training Square Project. The figures show that we spent just under £72K, offset slightly by a Grant from Surrey Cricket Foundation (£10K)

If we look at the rest of the figures, you will see that yet again we have another great year financially, putting us in a very comfortable place financially.

Annual Subscriptions again have reached record levels, £46.4K, an increase of 10% from last year’s record figures. This is thanks again to the Junior section, especially with the KWIKs on a Sunday morning, with over 250 registered.

Our other main income source is of course the Bar, and I would like to thank Nikki and all her support staff for the hard work and dedication they have put in this year. It was probably too much to ask to improve on last year’s extraordinary numbers, but we got extremely close, just £1500 short, which is probably down to a good Sat night rained off this year. The profit

margin increased to 50%, thanks to a change in our brewery supplier, Shepherd Neame, which I think you can all agree was a good choice by the Bar Manager. However, this could have been slightly better, if our Noble Green guest ales had gone down better over the summer, as there was quite a few polypins that had to be thrown away.

Income from functions was up as well, thanks to the sterling work of Lisa Fullicks, and this continues to be an important part of our club, not just financially but also as a good link to the local community.

Match fees rose by 25%, despite it feeling like we lost more game to the weather,

A concerted fund raising effort for the Carlisle Park nets project was in full swing last year, with £18K raised through a number of events, not just our usual items such as the Get Lucky local lottery , 100 Club and the 6 A side , which raised just over £3K , but we had events from our Junior section like the Bat raffle , the U9 Raffle , the ticket Sales to Surrey matches , which all helped push the figures up. Our kitchen staff on a Sunday morning also raised over £3K for the breakfast rolls and tea/coffee for the parents. Special mention to Jack Fullicks as 2 of his projects raised just over £4.5K, with everyone at those events having a fantastic time. I am obviously talking about the Annual Dinner and Dance (for the adults) and the Easter and Summer Camps that he put on for the juniors. This means we have more than sufficient funds to cover our commitment to the Carlisle Park nets.

I would also like to thank our Sponsors for 2023, Landscape Artisan for their continued support of our junior section, and Eleven Cricket Ltd, for the seniors.

As we grow, both in numbers and with our facilities at Bushy Park, obviously there will be an increase in expenditure.

Our Staffing, including Bar staff and cleaning, has risen by just under 10%, but I am sure you will all agree, we would rather have dedicated bar staff, instead of volunteers trying to manage on a match day.

Our Ground Maintenance has risen by 28%, as we now have 2 squares at Bushy Park to manage, as well as the continued maintenance of the outfield to improve this even further. We have also purchased new Heras fencing to protect both squares during the winter months Special thanks to Steve Fidler for his work at Bushy Park, and to Sean and Warren from Bushy Park Sports Club (NPL) for their support during the summer. I would also like to thank Tom Hampton and his young helper, Jake Wood, for the work and effort they have put in at Carlisle Park. It has been a regular site around 10pm Tom on the mower with his miner's lamp on rolling the pitches for the weekend.

With the increased number of juniors, we have had to spend more on their training, whether it been new equipment for our KWIKs and new Hard ball teams, or external net hires at St James, Hampton Prep and Bushy Park Sports. We have also had to increase the number of coaches to support these numbers, and I am proud to say we have funded 12 new Foundation 1 and Core coaches this season, as well as 10 on the Cricket helper's course. Hence our Cricket Coaching and Equipment have increased by 59% each from last year. I would like to give a huge thank you to Mark Broad , and his army of coaches and helpers, who have done another fantastic job with our younger members, not only with Sunday mornings , which now are such a smooth operation, but also with the junior events that they have put on, which has encouraged more of the parents to be more actively involved, whether socially or supporting the coaching set up.

With more kids in the club, there will also be more awards and medals to provide, hence the increase in the Awards.

As we provided new shirts for our senior section, thanks to Eleven Cricket, we did see an increase in the Playing Kit.

You will have noticed that our Social and Catering expenditure has reduced dramatically (76%) due to the aforementioned sterling work by the Sunday morning kitchen, all volunteers, so saving on the staffing costs from last year. A massive thank you to Ria Broad, Sarah Rouse, Louise Barrs for their unbelievable commitment to the cause, and smelling like sausage and bacon for days. I would be remiss not to mention their dedicated tea boy, Bobby F, for his support over the summer too.

One final item to highlight, the increase in donations given, which is mainly down to the donation of £550 the club gave to Hampton Wick Royal to support their efforts in rebuilding their club after the awful fire in September. We have been there and know the pain they are feeling and the hard work that needs to be done. As well as the financial donation we have offered our help in other ways, with members of our rebuild committee providing support and experience from our rebuild efforts in 2011/12/13.

As ever, there are so many people to thank for their efforts in keeping the club in the strong position it is currently in. From the Committee to the coaches and helpers who have managed to give the kids a summer of cricket, the selection committee and players for the number of games played, and beers consumed.

Despite the bottom-line figure of a loss of £43K this year, we are still in a very sound financial position, with our existing reserves we can pay our commitment to the Carlisle Park net project. We also have surplus funds which the newly formed committee will decide how best to use, with options such as Covers, new improved nets for our training square and possibly video coverage of our home games. The decisions will be announced at the appropriate time.”

Proposed: PN; Seconded: GK; Vote: Unanimous

5 Committee Season Review Report

IE shared the following report:

“In June this year we welcomed back to the club a group of ex-players, past committee members, old friends and their families for our first ever HHCC Legends Lunch; a build on our previous Vagabonds events, the lunch (and the afternoon, evening, early morning that followed..) afforded us the opportunity to reconnect and celebrate achievements of the past, whilst showcasing the club as it is today.

The response of those in attendance was overwhelmingly warm and positive and gave real perspective as to what the club has achieved in recent years. The three things that received most attention on this day were a) the size and quality of our junior section b) the financial health of the club and c) the number and spread of senior games being undertaken and the range of ages and abilities we now cater for, from 1st XI league, to Sunday social, to Midweek T20 Plate to the Tour XI.

Some of our old friends were so impressed they have returned multiple times to check that we weren't having them on (!) and we hope to see all of them and more in 2024.

Showcasing the club in this way and listening to some (long) stories and reminders of how things were in the recent as well as the more distant past, underlined the fact that to now be able to spend money improving our outfield and investing in new practice facilities as we have this year, whilst moving on to consider covers, live streaming equipment and more, is a great place to be.

2023 was a solid if unspectacular year in the Surrey Championship for our senior teams, with each staying in their current divisions; our aim in investing in playing and practice facilities, as well as in our juniors remains to grow sustained, organic success as well as continuing to attract new members. We hope to have news on the development of the new Carlisle Park nets soon and expect our new training square to be up and running in the spring.

Our senior awards in September saw James Boulton and Paul Hennessy take the plaudits for their runs and wickets, whilst Ben Porter was our Colt of the Year and Rob Wilkison the recipient of the Johnson Merit shield for all his work with our junior section.

In wrapping up the achievements of 2023 there are many people to thank, as without the ongoing commitment of our captains, coaches, committee members, volunteers and more we simply would not be able to continue to improve the club to the benefit of all our members and the wider community. In fact, as we get more successful, so our asks of all these individuals has increased and, importantly, so has the number of people involved.

It is this element that I think is worth dwelling on. As much as our on-field success depends upon teams working together the same is true of the club as an entity; we are at our best when people take on responsibilities and execute them with the backing, but not necessarily the involvement of the committee.

In running a club that now numbers over 900 members it is no longer possible for just a handful of people to run everything and so as we move to the election of officers for 2024, I want to thank each and everyone involved in making 2023 so successful and implore you all to consider what your part in our future development will be. Whether you are a captain of league side, a Sunday morning kitchen volunteer, a fundraiser, our bar manager or our U11 Girls scorer, the club only works because you take responsibility; we thank everyone single person who does so.

As a committee we will continue to strive to support, encourage and engineer opportunities for all to get involved, so when it comes to volunteering please don't be shy! If you are not sure how you can help then be sure to reach out and ask, there will be plenty to do again in and around the club in 2024.

To those that sat on our committee in 2023 a huge thank you for a season that saw record bar profits, over 300 games of cricket, the levelling of our outfield, an active social calendar, 40 juniors playing in senior teams, a tour, an end of season dinner and multiple awards evenings, some testing moments, some funny moments and much more besides.

- Lisa, Nikki, Ria, Charlotte, Smithy, Rob, Harry, TC, JNS, Murts, Jack, AO, DC and Macca; Great Job Guys!!!

Here's to 2024"

Ian

Ian Exworth Chairman 2023 Items for Noting: Overall Junior Award Winners 2023:

Bill Haunting Colt of the Year: Ben Porter Chairmans Cup for Batting: Aditi Sahoo Mike Crane Bowling Award: Will Bush Coaches All Rounder Award: Ben Porter Doug Hill Most Improved Colt: Jocelyn Meshier & Kai Quinn Fielder of the Year: Jack Ainsworth Best Junior Performance: Ben Porter Outstanding Contribution to Female Cricket: Simon Ogden Main Senior Award Winners 2023: Hall Edwards Batting: Jake Wood Nigel Coates League Batting: James Boulton Skim Carroll Bowling: Paul Hennessy Mike Crane League Bowling: Paul Hennessy Pete Cullinan Best Bowling: Paul Hennessy Carr Hurst All Rounder: James Boulton Udal Raine Young Performance: James Neville Ian Greenaway Team Player: David Coates Ian Exworth Player of the Year: James Boulton Johnson Merit Shield: Rob Wilkinson

2023 Membership details: Players: 99 VP/Hon VP: 34 Life: 13 Club: 334 Juniors: 470 Total: 950

2023 Sponsors: Landscape Artisan Eleven Cricket 2023 Community lettings: Road Runners Tots Squats and Coffee pots Nobel Green Wines Teddington rugby Hearts of Tedlothian Football Hampton hill junior school Teddington school Stanley School

All results, league tables and full playing statistics available @ www.hamptonhill.play-cricket.com"

6. Election of President

Ian Exworth proposed that Dave MacKinney continue in the role of President.

A vote was taken and the decision was unanimously in favour. DM reiterated how special this club is to him and his family ,being part of it as he has since he was 13. He thanked those present for allowing him the privilege of continuing as President.

7. Election of Officers and Captains

Proposed: HC, Seconded: KB, Vote: Unanimous

<u>Committee Position</u>	<u>Nomination</u>
Treasurer	Dave Mackinney
Assistant Treasurer	Lisa Fullicks
Honorary Secretary	Charlotte Rance
Club Captain	Bob Fullicks
Fixture Secretary	Bob Fullicks
Social Secretary	Will Smith & Jack Fullicks
General Manager	Lisa Fullicks
Building Manager	Dave Coates
Publicity Manager	Mike Murton
Catering Manager	Lisa Fullicks
Head of Junior Cricket	Dave Mackinney
Junior Section Lead Coach	Ian Exworth
Welfare Officer	Ria Broad
Assistant Welfare Officers	Dave Mackinney
	Charlotte Rance
Community Liaison Officer	Mike Murton

<u>Non-Committee Role</u>	<u>Nominations</u>
Bar Manager	Nikki Mackinney
Cricket Development Officer	

The role of **Fundraising and Sponsorship Co-Ordinator** is currently vacant. IE expressed the need to have someone to keep up the momentum and build on the £60K from the last project we were able to self-fund. The continued growth and commitment of the club towards facilities would benefit from someone willing to co-ordinate and direct a team of volunteers to look into grants and find sponsorship opportunities within the wider community. If you are interested, please speak to the committee.

The position of CDO it was explained is to help create a pathway through from our juniors and allow for mentoring of the players and feedback to both players and parents. It was agreed that this is a time consuming role and much of it is reliant on the captains and selection committee maintaining a strategy and communication with appropriate parties. HC noted how this has improved over the past couple of seasons but there is work to do. If anyone is interested please speak to the committee.

Captains and Vice Captains putting themselves forward for election

Saturday

Nominations received.

1st XI

1st XI Captain

James Boulton
Announced by JB as
Richard Bennett

1st XI Vice Captain

2nd XI

2nd XI Captain

Tom Coates

2nd XI Vice Captain

Mike Murton

3rd XI

3rd XI Captain

Paul Thornley

3rd XI Vice Captain

Ed Cinderey – Dave Coates

4th XI

4th XI Captain

Andrew Sykes

4th XI Vice Captain

Will Smith

5th XI

5th XI Captain

Keith Bush

5th XI Vice Captain

Howard Campion

Sunday

1st XI Captain

Bob Fullicks

2nd XI Captain

Roger Coates

8. Future Facilities Projects.

IE updated those present that the BP levelling is on point for now and should continue to improve over time. The practice square will be ready for this season too.

CP – Pavilion – works to renovate and install utilities has begun. The changing rooms will be refurbished with new showers and external doors. The equipment in there is in need of moving before the internal renovations start in the NY. TH said he would take anything worth saving, however much of it was not worth keeping and suggested we look at replacing some equipment here once the work is done. It was agreed to take this to committee to allow conversation with TH and PT around what is required in order to look at where this is prioritized in terms of club spend.

CP – Nets – due to 17 negative comments against the 180 positive the council are having to put this through planning in it's most thorough form. It is currently with the ward counsellors who are looking at the proposal in full. The main issue is with dog walkers objecting as the nets face the path way and are not fully enclosed due to the size of footprint this would require. Plans are in place for a campaign to put pressure on the decision should the nets not gain the required permissions. DM will arrange for a full update to be sent to the membership.

IE then explained the next priorities for BP being:

New nets to replace the broken concertina and old frame net explaining the committee were currently looking into the best options to allow for maximum use of the practice square and training at home.

Covers – are ready to order having agreed with the parks that as long as they are not stored under trees we are able to purchase. RF reported we have space for sponsorship to be put on the covers should anyone be interested. The covers will be stored between squares over winter and during matches SF to mark out where they must be put.

DM mentioned that he had spoken to the parks about the deer getting into our heras fencing. It was explained that they are fed the other side of the bomb crater and in the summer move towards us to find shade so this is their natural route. In the winter when the square is fencing off the new grass particularly when there is little of nutritional value around, they want to get to it! Speaking to SF he is comfortable to fence off only when taking and when it's wet and he can't cut it therefore preventing the new growth the deer love, we will remove the fencing as when part of the whole outfield they have been less interested and have done no real damage to the square.

The park are also OK with our fertilization regime as we ensure it goes down into the square and is not affecting the SSSI acidic grassland.

9 Subscriptions for 2023

The committee proposed that subscriptions for 2023 will be:

Playing member	£190 (but £140 for 'early bird' payment).*
Vice President	£60
Club Membership	£50 (social membership and compulsory for at least one Colt parent)
OAP	£20
Colts**	£90 Hard Ball
	£40 Kwik Cricket

*50% discount for students

*Early bird payments due by 1st May 2022

** 50% discount for siblings

Match fees will continue to be decided by the selection committee.

Vote: Unanimous

○ **Any other business**

- IE announced that the club had recently confirmed a new shirt sponsor a local firm of solicitors Owen White & Catlin LLP who have sponsored us for a 2 year kit cycle and confirmed that Landscape Continental have agreed to continue sponsoring the junior section again this season. The 2 are worth in the region of £8k to the club so we feel lucky to have support and thank them for their commitment.
- TC asked if the club could provide a warm up bag for each team – it was agreed that the club would arrange this if TC could source / order it.
- DM reminded all that DBS required as part of the ECB Safe hands operating framework and if you are asked to update please do this ASAP to ensure club compliance.
- CNS asked whether there would be the option to continue using the net in Barnes this season – IE said that communication regarding summer nets would come closer to the time, particularly with the hope that new nets will be available here.
- The possibility of T20 friendlies in the summer was brought up – RF replied that it is dependent on pitch and player availability but he would look into it. The Surrey Slam had been entered as last season.

Meeting closed at 9.00 pm