



AGM 2022– 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021 – ZOOM

## Agenda

### 1. Present

Nick Oakhill, Kim Oakhill, Chris Brown, Rachel Carpenter, Barbara Fraser, Jo Ford, Ollie Curson, Lucia Curson, Martin Brown, Wes Jordan, George Notley, Chris Littlejohn, Gary Cole.

### 2. Apologies

3. Jackie Smith, Esther McLeish, Lucy Lloyd, James Thomson, Aaf Dawes

### 4. Reports

- a. Chair - Thanks to everyone who has helped the club through the last couple of years and to those who have served on the committee or volunteered in any capacity. Pleased to see the club has come through the pandemic in pretty good shape and even picked up some new senior members in the process. We also have some new juniors but overall our junior numbers are down on the season prior to the pandemic.

Congratulations to Dana for her debut in the England U17 team and also to Josh who just missed out on the final cut for the U19 team. We have been able to offer more training time on Wednesdays and for next season this session could offer an alternative for matches to avoid too much congestion on our usual Sunday matchday. We are now settled in to our new venue and the recent completion of the korfbal pitch markings signal and new beginning for the club

- b. Treasurer - We remain in a relatively secure position, with our income exceeding expenditure leaving a surplus of £1385 on the year, meaning we can hold our fees at the same rates again. Hall hire is our biggest single expenditure and so far our average attendance at training and match fees income covers these costs. We were successful in getting a 'Return to Play' grant most of which has provided some new transportable posts and more balls. This kit will be really useful in our taster sessions provision. We have also been getting useful income from the members who use 'EasyFundRaising' when doing internet shopping. This is to be encouraged.

- c. Coach - Encouraging season for all teams, particularly our return to regional competition and though the results did not go



our way the experience of playing at a higher level will pay dividends in future, none of the other teams had anywhere near the numbers of U18 players that we regularly did. Encouraging to see a number of players playing their first korfbal games, both new members and juniors who have moved up to the senior ranks. All the help from assistant coaches and team managers is greatly appreciated.

- d. Juniors - Great to see juniors returning to the club and taking part in the two tournaments, one hosted by us at the Hive. Our U11 and U14 group have been particularly hard hit by the pandemic in that they have missed out on 2 years of competitions and are only this season able to play teams from other clubs so their development is a bit behind the cohorts they are following. Overall junior numbers are down on the year prior to the pandemic and we need to form a plan to try to address this. We agreed that a specific working group with relevant experience should look at the options available to us.
- e. Welfare Officer DBS check status for coaches and volunteers associated with the junior section are monitored and those who renew or apply for a new check are being encouraged to register for the update service which keeps their DBS live. Chris and Phil have both taken the Safeguarding in Sport course run by NSPCC which keeps them current with nationally advised practices for working safely with children and adults in sports clubs. Keeping children and adults, particularly anyone who may be vulnerable, is everyone's responsibility and thanks to members for continuing to report any concerns or worries to the Welfare Officer.
- f. Comms/Publicity Club email address is regularly monitored and incoming mail is forwarded to the appropriate committee member for action or information, Facebook page is also useful in passing on information to a wider audience
- g. Fundraising There have been no specific fundraising activities during the season, we have received the grant from Sport England to help with return to play and we receive payments from EasyFundraising. Since the scheme started the club has received over £1100 from 16 people who have made use of the scheme.



h. Website Website continues to be used as part of our social media presence though most messages are disseminated through our Facebook page. Site has a good clean look and is easy to navigate

i. Election of Officials

Position	Nominee	Proposed	Seconded
Chair	Philip Morton	Gary Cole	Martin Brown
Vice Chair	Nick Oakhill	Martin Brown	Gary Cole
Treasurer	Aaf Dawes	Philip Morton	Kim Oakhill
Secretary	Jo Ford	Rachel Carpenter	Barbara Fraser
Welfare Officer	Esther McLeish	Barbara Fraser	Gary Cole
Head Coach	Chris Brown	Nick Oakhill	Rachel Carpenter
Player Rep	Wes Jordan	Barbara Fraser	Kim Oakhill
Junior Parent Rep	Ollie & Lucia Curson	Nick Oakhill	Gary Cole
1 <sup>st</sup> Aid Coordinator	Gary Cole	Nick Oakhill	Kim Oakhill

Note: Chair and Vice Chair to work together during the year to provide the transition to Nick taking over the role of Chair

## 5. Volunteers

In addition to the formal committee we also need a number of volunteers to take up a number of roles and functions within the club in order for us to be able to train and play, roles and volunteers are as follows

Role	Volunteers
Assistant Coaches	Kim Oakhill and Philip Morton
Referees	Gary Cole, Martin Brown, Chris Brown, Dom MacDonald
Social Media/Publicity	Lucy Lloyd
Membership Secretary	Rachel Carpenter
Fixtures/Results Secretary	Chris Brown, Martin Brown
Club Development Officer	Kim Oakhill
Social Secretary	Barbara Fraser, Jo Ford, Rachel Carpenter
Tournament Officer	Kim Oakhill



Junior Co-ordinator	Ollie & Lucia Curson
Team Captains	To be arranged nearer the start of the season
CKA meeting Rep	Philip Morton, Nick Oakhill and Chris Brown
Venue Liaison	Martin Brown

6. Constitution - We need to check that the new committee is happy with the constitution and then arrange for it to be signed and loaded onto the website. Current version to be circulated to the committee for comment and feedback
7. Safeguarding - Current Welfare Policy to be reviewed and then uploaded onto the website once signed off
8. Plans for year ahead
  - a. SERL - We wish to continue to take part in SERL next season
  - b. Transition From Fixtures Live – Some progress has been made in moving to the new system 'Playwaze' but more information is required for us to understand what is needed from us and more training in how to achieve this would be useful
  - c. Team Management App Use of WhatsApp last season had some issues so we need to look again at simple alternatives specifically for team management as the functionality within Playwaze does currently not support this activity. Input to be sought from netballer experience of the systems available.
  - d. On-line resources for refereeing and coaching We have some volunteers to undertake referee training so we need to find out what training is available within the CKA and EKA to help with this.
9. Any Other Business
  - a. We need to get some clarification in respect of 1<sup>st</sup> Aid provision, we know that our venue has this capability but experience at some away games last season raised doubts about some other venues. We agreed that each Vikings team should have a basic kit to take with them to away games. We agreed that prior to the start of the competitions next season, we should contact the organisers and ask



for confirmation of responsibility holder for first aid under their league rules.

- b. In order to improve our junior recruitment and retention we agreed to set up a specific working group to consider our options with respect to primary and secondary schools and organisations like the Scouting movement and the County Sports Partnership.