



Middlesex Hockey Umpires Association

MINUTES OF 2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held at Eastcote Hockey Club on
Friday 3 June 2016 at 8.00 pm

PRESENT:

Tim Forte (President, in the chair), Ian Arnold, Narinder Bason, Ed Bateman, Gurmit Bhamra, Ravi Bhamra, Ian Blackaller, Keith Boddy, Ruth Busse, Ryan Croxon, Madlyne Dawson, Peter Dawson, Tony Elliott, Joy Elliott-Bowman, Ian Fitzgerald, Narinder Gill, Roger Griffiths, Janice Hopper, Bhupinder Kahlon, Nik Krykunisky, Arshad Malik, Chris Moran, Alex Nelson, James O'Hara, Edwin Owen, Colin Reed, Rob Riddleston, Manjit Singh, Arthur Soares, Cecil Woods.

1.0 Apologies for absence

1.1 26 members, including Dawn Bonner and David Offord, had sent in apologies for absence.

2.0 Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting on 11 June 2015

2.1 Minutes of the last AGM had been circulated prior to the meeting, and proposed by Janice Hopper, seconded by Keith Boddy, they were accepted without comment.

3.0 Matters arising from Previous Minutes

3.1 Under AOB, radio mics had been purchased for pool umpires. Considerable interest from clubs had also arisen to broaden the use of mics and this would be actively followed up by the new committee.

The use of web-based payment system for umpires expenses has not been pursued, as the current expenses form was convenient and worked satisfactorily.

4.0 Annual Report of Executive Committee

4.1 The President presented the Committee's report that had been circulated prior to the meeting.

Tim also reported that MHA had offered a £1000 donation towards the cost of additional radios, for which the Association is very grateful.

Communication with members is important and use of "Mailchimp" will be used more in the future.

Proposed by Alex Nelson, seconded by Chris Moran, the report was accepted unanimously.

5.0 Accounts of the Association

5.1 The accounts for the year 2015/2016, independently examined by Chris Wright of Eastcote HC, had been previously circulated.

Edwin, acting as treasurer, reported that the finances of the Association were sound, with bank funds in excess of £5000. There was a deficit of £487 in the year due to a purchase of 12 radio mics for pool umpires at a cost of £1196.

Adoption of the accounts, proposed by Tony Elliott, and seconded by James O'Hara, was carried unanimously.



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6.0 Adoption of Revised Constitution

6.1 The current constitution was adopted in 2000 and the committee considered it should be updated to better reflect present requirements and to enhance the corporate image of the Association, although the basic principles that guide the functions of MHUA have not been changed.

The standing orders (code of conduct and disciplinary procedures) remain substantially unchanged but a “safeguarding young people section” has been added.

6.2 The draft constitution had been circulated to all members and Tim Forte took the meeting through the draft.

Changes to the circulated version comprise:

At 10.2 the sentence “*The annual report and statement of accounts shall also be circulated to all members prior to the meeting*” was added.

In Para 7.0 “*at least*” was added to “2 Members at Large”,

Some other very minor adjustments to the text were also made.

Proposed by Tony Elliott, seconded by Cecil Woods, the revised Constitution as adjusted at the meeting was adopted unanimously.

7.0 Election of Officers and Executive Committee Members

7.1 The following were elected unopposed to form the executive committee for the 2016/17:

Role	Nomination	Proposed by	Seconded By
President	Tim Forte	Arthur Soares	Ian Blackaller
Vice President	Dawn Bonner	Tim Forte	Keith Boddy
General Secretary	Ed Bateman	Rob Riddleston	James O’Hara
Treasurer	Narinder Bason	Edwin Owen	Chris Moran
Appointments Secretary (Saturdays)	Ian Blackaller	Tim Forte	Ian Fitzgerald
Assistant Appointments Secretary (Sundays and Mid-Week)	Ian Fitzgerald	Joy Elliott-Bowman	Ian Blackaller
Membership & Communications Secretary	Vacant		
Level 1 Coordinator	Ruth Busse	Joy Elliott-Bowman	Alex Nelson
County Coach	No nomination		
Young Umpires Development Coordinator	Joy Elliott-Bowman	Tim Forte	Keith Boddy
Welfare and Safeguarding Officer	Paul Clements	Tim Forte	Jan Hopper
Council Members	David Offord Rob Riddleston Ryan Croxon	Arthur Soares Edwin Owen Joy Elliott-Bowman	Ravi Bhamra Ian Blackaller Arthur Soares

With Arthur Soares stepping down as Vice President, and Edwin Owen as Secretary both having served in those positions for many years Tim Forte expressed his and the Association’s appreciation of the services they have given to MHUA.



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8.0 Election of Honorary Independent Examiner

8.1 Chris Wright would be asked to act as independent scrutineer again next year.

9.0 To fix annual subscriptions for membership

9.1 Edwin Owen, as acting treasurer, recommended that the annual subscriptions should remain unchanged.

10.0 Presentation of the F Burnside Trophy

Awarded for “merit or progress or services to the Association”

10.1 The award was instigated in 1986 by Freddie Burnside who was the first President of the MHUA, on its formation in 1976 when Southern Counties Umpires Association devolved some of their appointment responsibilities to the counties.

Tim Forte introduced the award by advising that this year’s recipient had been a member for as far back as the records show, had served the Association as Vice-President since 2004/5 and with his retirement at this AGM it was fitting that the award should go to Arthur Soares. He brought to the committee a quiet common sense approach and in controversial issues his input was invaluable and respected. Stepping down from SCHUA some years ago he became an active pool umpire and circulating around the club she had his pulse on what was going on in the County.

11.0 AOB

11.1 Following enquiries made by Ruth Busse, it is proposed that Tempest will be suppliers of new style umpire shirts and related kit. Tim gave a video presentation of the new umpire shirts which will be available to order on-line in due course. The shirts will be badged with the County crest and “MHUA” and available to all members, not just graded pool umpires.

11.2 Joy Elliott-Bowman queried whether increased fees would attract more pool umpires (some clubs pay £20/£25 to encourage umpires). The cost implications on clubs would however be significant but the committee would review the issue.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.

The meeting was followed by a curry supper prepared by Eastcote HC’s caterer.

Edwin Owen,
Retiring General Secretary
10th June 2016



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MIDDLESEX HOCKEY UMPIRES ASSOCIATION INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 APRIL 2016

2015	INCOME	2016
£ 1,709.00	Subscriptions	£ 1,809.00
£ 2.43	Interest	£ 2.41
£ 15.00	Sundry Income	£ 20.00
-	Umpire appt fees	£ 1,501.96
<u>£ 1,726.43</u>	TOTAL INCOME	<u>£ 3,333.37</u>
	EXPENDITURE	
£ 300.00	Rulebooks	£ -
£ 128.15	Admin expenses postage etc	£ -
£ 83.00	Socials	£ 331.74
£ 381.18	Web site	£ 344.00
£ 187.85	Insurance	£ 169.30
£ 40.00	Equipment & Clothing	£ -
£ 49.50	Officers Expenses	£ 100.24
£ 38.75	Sundry expenditure	£ 15.53
-	Umpire app't Expenses	£ 1,664.00
-	Radio mics	£ 1,195.90
<u>£ 1,208.43</u>	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>£ 3,820.71</u>
£ 518.00	Surplus/(Deficit) for year	(£ 487.34)
<u>£1,726.43</u>	TOTAL	<u>£ 3,333.37</u>

BALANCE SHEET as at 30 APRIL 2016

£ 293.66	Bank	Current Account	£1,513.40
£ 5,657.09		Deposit Account	<u>£3,688.50</u>
£ 5,950.75		Total funds	£ 5,201.90
£ 204.00		Net Ump appt fees due	£ 665.51
<u>£ 6,154.75</u>		TOTAL	<u>£ 5,867.41</u>

REPRESENTED BY

£ 4,432.98	Members Fund balance as at 1 May 2015	£4,950.98
£ 518.00	Surplus/(Deficit) for the year per I & E acc't	<u>(£ 487.34)</u>
<u>£ 4,950.98</u>		£ 4,463.64
£ 1,387.77	Development Fund balance at 1 May 2015	£1,203.77
£ 433.50	Donations for the year	<u>£200.00</u> £ 1,403.77
-£ 117.50	Less Coaching	
-£ 500.00	Less Donation	
<u>£ 1,203.77</u>		
<u>£ 6,154.75</u>	Total funds at 30 Apr 2016	<u>£ 5,867.41</u>

Signed: Edwin Owen Edwin Owen
Hon Sec, MHUA (Acting Financial Officer)

I have examined the Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account of the Middlesex Hockey Umpires Association for the year ended 30 April 2016. I have found them to be in accordance with the Books of Account, vouchers and explanations that I have received.

Signed: C. Wright Christopher Wright
Eastcote HC, Scrutineer

11 May 2016

MHUA accounts 2016