

## **Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at The Pavilion, Dulwich Sports Ground, Turney Road, Dulwich, London, SE21 on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2014.**

Chairman of the meeting D. Bravenboer.

The Chairman and 16 members were present.

### **1. Apologies for Absence.**

Apologies for absence had been received from: R. Salter and M. Caskey.

### **2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

The Minutes, which had been circulated, were read by the Secretary. The Chairman brought to the attention of the Meeting an omission in the Minutes in that the name of Edward Watson had not been recorded as Deputy Chairman. It was agreed that the Minutes be amended accordingly after which they were approved by the Meeting and signed by the Chairman.

### **3. Matters arising**

Apart from the amendment to the Minutes, as in 2. above, there were not any other matters arising.

### **4. Secretary's Report**

It is with sadness that my report commences to record, as the season drew to a close, the passing of the Club's President Doug Mumford on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2014 at the age of 93. There were several members of the Club and many more from the amateur cricket and football fraternity present at Doug's funeral on 2<sup>nd</sup> June to pay their respects.

As was the case for the previous season the atrocious weather in mid winter enforced the postponement of many fixtures both at home and away and it is to the great credit of Tawfique Choudhury that all of the Club's fixtures were completed with the final game being played on 17<sup>th</sup> May being the last date permitted by the SAL for League fixtures to be played.

The Club's playing performance overall far from outstanding with the exception of the 5<sup>th</sup> team, as reported below, but all teams avoided relegation from their respective Division, all be it that the first three sides played in the lowest Division of their Section of the League. Again with the exception of the 5<sup>th</sup> team by early January all other teams had been eliminated from their respective AFA or SAL Challenge Cup competitions.

The 1<sup>st</sup> XI captained by Christian Paschina finished propping up Senior Section Division III. The side suffered with injuries and an unsettled team making league points hard to find. The first point was not gained until February against NUFC Oilers who carried on to win the Division by a clear 12 points. The side took first round exits from both the AFA Senior Cup losing to Kings Old Boys in November and to Old Salopians in the Surrey/Kent Senior Cup in late September.

Top goal scorer: Liam Coughlan; Player of the season: Liam Coughlan.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> XI captained jointly by Saheed Bakare and Saheed Mustapha finished in a lowly 10<sup>th</sup> position in Intermediate Section Division III of the SAL. The side was unfortunate to be drawn away to Silhill "B" in the AFA Intermediate Cup in September. The logistics of the tie was an obstacle in itself as Silhill play in Solihull in the West Midlands and with an incomplete side a 6-0 defeat was not a disgrace. The Referee complimented the team on their "never give up" spirit and on the attitude they showed. A 9-3 defeat to Old Tiffinians 1<sup>st</sup> eliminated the side from the AFA Intermediate Surrey/Kent Cup in October.

Top goal scorer: Statistics not recorded; Player of the season: Kieran Reeves.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> XI captained by Ian Pereira finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place in Division III of the Junior section of the League. The side was eliminated in their first ties of both the AFA Junior Cup losing to Weirside Rangers in extra time team in September after extra time and in the SAL League Junior Challenge Cup to Old Esthameians in November.

Top goal scorer: Josh John; Player of the season: Stanley Jones.

The 4<sup>th</sup> XI captained by Lawrence Collings finished in 8<sup>th</sup> place in Minor section Division III South of the League. In November playing against West Wickham Edward Watson was very unfortunate to suffer a fracture to both the tibia and fibula of his right leg. Edward has made a good recovery and now awaits playing again when the season commences. Defeat to Old Finchleians 4<sup>th</sup> team in the AFA Minor Cup in October was followed by a victory in November over East Barnet Old Grammerians 6<sup>th</sup> in the SAL League Senior Novets Challenge Cup before succumbing to Allen Old Boys in December.

Top goal scorer: Pat Usher; Player of the season: Alf Grimsey.

The 5<sup>th</sup> XI captained jointly by Andy Argyle and Luke Rosseau had a successful season finishing as champions of SAL Minor section Division IV South by a margin of 6 points over HSBC 7<sup>th</sup>. The honours were reversed the SAL League Intermediate Novets Challenge Cup when in the final played on 5<sup>th</sup> April at Old Westminster Citizens ground the team lost 3-1 to HSBC 7<sup>th</sup>. In the AFA Senior Novets Cup the team progressed through to January before losing to Old Wilsonians.

Top goal scorer: Luke Rosseau; Player of the season: Luke Rosseau.

The 6<sup>th</sup> XI captained by Toff Choudhury playing also in SAL Minor section Division IV South finished in a respectable 5<sup>th</sup> position. In the AFA Intermediate Novets Cup they lost to Old Finchleians 6<sup>th</sup> in November. An early exit was taken in September from the first round of the SAL League Intermediate Novets Challenge Cup when they lost to Old Salesians 4<sup>th</sup>.

Top goal scorer: Steve Birch; Joint players of the season: David Fox and Luke Howard.

Club Team of the Year was won by the 5<sup>th</sup> Team.

The Ralph Salter Clubman of the Year Trophy was awarded to Tawfique Choudhury.

Edward Watson again took charge of the Club's training which commenced in Dulwich Park and later continued at Crystal Palace under floodlights on an artificial surface until his involvement was curtailed by his injury mentioned above. As in previous years the thanks of the Club go to Edward for his training skills and enthusiasm which he contributed to the Club.

Dylan Parry continued in the role Club's Communications Officer and as intended he re-established the Club's website which he managed and along with other Social media, provided an excellent form of communication to members.

Tawfique Choudhury took over the organisation of the Club's end of season Presentation evening held at the Pavilion, Dulwich Sports Ground which I was unable to attend and therefore I am without detailed information to report on the evening.

Tawfique Choudhury was also responsible for organising the Club Tour in May which had mixed fortune on the field but none the less was enjoyed by all. Thanks were expressed to T. Choudhury for his work in arranging the Tour.

The Club's Discipline record deteriorated rapidly from late March through to the end of the season moving beyond AFA Stage I to Stage II when the Club incurred fines of £25 and £50 respectively. Several of the mis-conduct instances were for offences when the ball was "not in play" and could have easily been avoided. An improved mis-conduct record for the season 2014/15 is now essential.

Let's hope that there will be an improvement in the winter weather conditions and that the 2014/15 season will experience minimal interruption.

The Chairman added and made reference to the passing of Doug Mumford who had made an enormous contribution to the Club as a player and as an administrator not only to Club but to amateur football in general.

The Chairman also asked that the passing, in July 2014, of Club Vice President David Lambert be recorded.

## **5. Treasurer's Report**

### **Presentation and adoption of Annual Accounts for season 2013/14**

The Treasurer, Mark Caskey, had forwarded the Club's Annual Accounts to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2014 for consideration by the meeting showing total Club funds of £9,470.00. The Club's expenditure had exceeded income by about £635.00 which in part was as a result of less income than expected from the 5<sup>th</sup> team although it was mentioned by Tawfique Choudhury that a further £200.00 had since been received from the 5<sup>th</sup> team Captain.

A proposal to accept the Club's Accounts as presented was made by C. Paschina seconded by J. Henry and carried unanimously by the meeting.

## **6. Match Secretary's Report**

The Match Secretary, Toff Choudhury, said that the Club had fulfilled all of its fixtures which were not completed until the 17<sup>th</sup> May. The match Secretary added that the weather had made completing the fixtures very difficult but that all Captains had made a considerable effort to enable this to happen.

The meeting expressed its appreciation for all the hard work which Tawfique Choudhury had done for the Club throughout the season.

## 7. Annual Registration Fee and Match Levy

It was agreed that there was not any requirement to increase either the Registration Fee or the Match Levy from their present levels.

			<u>Nominator</u>	<u>Secunder</u>
Registration Fee	£50.00	)		
Match Levy	£10.00	)	E. Watson	T. Choudhury
Match Levy Student	£6.00	)		

The above proposals were accepted unanimously by the meeting.

## 8. Nomination and Election of Officers

			<u>Nominator</u>	<u>Secunder</u>
Chairman:	Darryll Bravenboer		C. Ferris	L. Collings
Deputy Chairman	Edward Watson		J. Henry	C. Judd
Secretary:	Colin Ferris		K. Reeves	C. Paschina
Treasurer:	Tawfique Choudhury		E. Watson	L. Howard
Match Secretary:	Liam Coughlan		C. Judd	C. Paschina
Social Secretary:	S. Manners		C. Ferris	K. Reeves
Club Captain:	Edward Watson		L. Collings	C. Paschina
Communication Officers:	Luke Howard & Aidan Reeves		C. Judd	S. Manners
Hon. Auditor:	J. Henry		J. Hall	C. Judd

The above proposals were voted upon individually and all were carried by the meeting.

## 9. Nomination and Election of President and Vice Presidents

The following proposals were made:-

			<u>Nominator</u>	<u>Secunder</u>
President	Ralph Salter		C. Ferris	J. Henry
Vice President	Tawfique Choudhury		L. Howard	E. Watson

In addition to those Vice Presidents already in Office the above nominations were elected by the meeting unopposed.

## 10. Nomination and Election of Team Captains

A proposal was made by E. Watson, seconded by L. Collings to permit the Management Committee to nominate team Captains. After discussion this proposal was approved by the meeting with 8 votes in favour and nil against.

For the record the following Team Captains have been nominated: 1<sup>st</sup> team - A. Judd; 2<sup>nd</sup> team - L. Collings; 3<sup>rd</sup> team - K. Reeves; 4<sup>th</sup> team – J. Henry; 5<sup>th</sup> team - J. Hopwood; 6<sup>th</sup> team - vacant

To note and for information only: Veterans XI: Paul Crumpton (Captain) and Peter Stone (Manager)

## 11. Conduct and Disciplinary procedures

The Club suffered a deterioration of its mis-conduct record which totalled 68 disciplinary points and as, previously mentioned, incurred AFA Stages I and II fines.

The majority of players had conducted themselves well but the Club will have to exercise tighter control over the few players who let the Club down and are, to a large part, responsible for the fines imposed on the Club.

## 12. Any other business

i) C. Judd referred to the Club photographs of teams of previous years which now appear on the wall in the Pavilion which he is pleased to see and asked if team photographs of present day teams can be taken and be similarly displayed. This received general approval and the Management Committee be asked if this can be arranged.

ii) C. Judd also added further congratulations to Tawfique Choudhury for his work in arranging the Club Tour and asked the Management Committee to promote a Club Tour for post season in Spring 2015.

On behalf of the Management Committee the Chairman said that the Committee will give the matter its consideration.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked those members present for their attendance and closed the

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