

Romsey Hockey Club Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 21st June 2022

Circ: Committee/all club members/website/teamo.

Start: 19:10

<p>1. Attendance and apologies</p>	<p>Attendance: Amy Edwards, Simeon Field, Tom Wigley, Emily Slade, Lou Thomson, Alexis Harrison, Lisa Morgan, Clare Cooper, Jo Ritchie, Jacquie Griffiths, Cara Cox, Ben Sanders, Erica Jenner, Kate Olingschlaeger, Sally Shrubbs, Emma Beeching, Stuart Robertson, Mark Gilbert, Andrew Cage, Jo Sheath. Apologies: Samira Braund, Charlotte Jones, Bethan Knights, Emily Williams,</p>
<p>2. Confirm minutes of previous AGM and Chairman's report Amy Edwards</p>	<p>Proposed by: Tom Wigley Seconded by: Kate Olingschlaeger Thank you to everyone who has attended. Many of you already volunteer for a number of roles and volunteering within the club so thank you for all your support and without you we wouldn't be able to function. It has been a great season from reading the reports below. If you haven't had an opportunity there will be a break so you can read them. As always we need more volunteers to support the club in a number of roles especially in the Junior sections. The perks of helping are free match fees and the club will pay for/contribute towards the costs of qualifications. We have some information to discuss regarding King's Chase but will do so after the Treasurer's report.</p>
<p>3. Treasurer Report inc. Subscription and Match Fees 2021-2020 season. Samira Braund</p>	<p>According to Teamo RHC now has a total of 488 Members (an increase of 78 members) of which 449 are paid members generating an income of £23,981.17 and 19 unpaid members.</p> <p>Match fee income generation through Teamo from 1st Sept 2021 to 13th June 2022 £12,674.50. Other income from events and tours is paid directly through the RHC bank account.</p> <p>Outstanding match fees of £620.50 Debtors list up until 13th June 22</p> <p>L1 £17 L2 £8.50 L3 £17 L4 £40 Ladies Summer League £100 M2 £160 M3 £50.50 M4 £30.40 Mixed Summer League £170 U12B £4.50 U12G £4.50 U14G £9 out U16G £9</p> <p>RHC has £2,435 in the main bank account & £31,062 in the savings account. We have had an increase in expenditure in the development of our members, coaching, governance and regulation to ensure that our club is fit for the future and provides the best for our members.</p>

Stuart Robertson

I am undertaking a review of the membership subscriptions and match fees, the decision on Ganger Farm and the clubs broader role will inform the committee's decision making. Any changes will be shared with the members ahead of next year's season.

Regards, Sam

Ganger Farm Update

It is basically ready to go and the hope is that we will be able to start preseason training in August. We have secured slots for Tuesday and Thursday evening training. And all day Saturday and Sunday for matches. I have been to the facility and looked around inside and out. It is amazing – well designed, obviously new and has the pitch adjacent to the clubhouse and changing rooms.

Unfortunately, TVBC are not going to open the community lounge as a proper bar. I think it may even be just vending machines and no food. As a result we have been in discussion with RRC who are keen to have more footfall to utilise their new and much larger space. Potentially we will have access to their bar, they will provide teas, at a similar rate to The Sun and we will have a balcony that overlooks the end of the pitch.

In my view this is a potential game changer for the club. It will help us develop over the next few years, recruit more players and really move forward in a big way.

Personally, I think it is a no brainer if we want to develop. If we don't take the opportunity other clubs – Winchester and Trojans for example who are both sniffing around – will bite TVBC and RRC's hands off.

In order to benefit from this facility, we will have to pay more though.

Subscription and match fee increase

We are looking to increase both fees in order to facilitate our move to King's Chase. The facilities are much better than our current situation and because of this the costs have increased as well. It is a very exciting time for RHC, having never had a place to call 'home'. The two main increases are pitch hire and hospitality fees.

We are proposing an increase of £30 for adult subs and £20 for Student and Junior subs. This is still lower than the other clubs we have looked at in the area.

The situation at King's Chase is that TVBC have been unable to provide hospitality to meet our needs. We have been discussing options with the Rugby Club who have a lease on the other half of the Pavillion. The situation is as follows

- We need to be associate members of RRFC in order to receive the benefits so this will be charged at a price per member
- We will also receive a share in the revenues from the bar TBC
- Non-playing parents and guests will be allowed to use the facilities

The cost is currently up for discussion but we would like to propose to the RRFC a payment of £2 per month per member (£24 per year). We need to be able to negotiate this so we need to be able to go to £3 per head if necessary.

RHC will ask for a place on the committee.

To contribute towards covering this cost we are proposing a 50p match fee increase across all adult match fees. No change in Junior match fees due to increase last year.

As it is all the unknown we propose a mid season review to assess our financial position.

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	<p>Keeping our connections with Romsey Community School, we will need the pitch there. Mix of people there.</p> <p>Proposed Subscriptions increase: RRFC associate membership: £3 (handled by the club) Annual Subs: Adult: £156 to £186 Student: £90 to £120 Junior: £66 to £86 Match Fees: Senior - £9 Student - £5.50 Juniors - £4.50</p> <p>The meeting attendees all voted on the proposed changes Match fees increase Proposed by: Stuart Robertson Seconded by: Lisa Morgan</p>
<p>4. Secretary Report. Emily Dixon</p>	<p>Thank you to Stuart and Simeon for a huge amount of work for Ganger Farm, it wouldn't happen without them. Thank you so much for every committee member, club member for making the club wonderful.</p>
<p>5. Junior Chairman Report Simeon Field</p>	<p>After the interruption of the previous season there was great anticipation for the season ahead when we set out in September 2021.</p> <p>The U12s would play in a new format of 7 a side which proved to be popular and fruitful for both the boys and girls. The boys with only one team and being supported by some strong u10s grew throughout the season and had some super performances against some strong clubs like Basingstoke and Bournemouth.</p> <p>The U12 girls with two teams had a super season with team 1 winning their league and team 2 coming third in their league. Not only this but the girls had a fantastic run at the In2 hockey tournament coming third.</p> <p>The minis numbers grew substantially over the year with about 45 players by the end of the season with all taking part in fantastic training sessions and triangular tournaments once a month.</p> <p>Our older teams also had success with the U14 girls winning their league, a strong group with some fantastic team performances throughout the season to remain unbeaten. The u16 boys and u16 girls played some super hockey with both teams having a real bond which showed on the pitch. The boys were in the hunt for the league all season and finished in respectable third position in a strong league.</p> <p>U14 boys across the region struggled in numbers this season and as a result not many matches were played however when they did there were some super performances and a great win against Hamble.</p> <p>Huge credit must go to our band of amazing volunteers that coach/manage/ assist and umpire. For seven months of the year come rain or shine, they do an amazing job to enable our juniors to play, fantastic!</p>

A big well done to our juniors who were selected to represent Hampshire this year, an amazing achievement.

Rupert Wiles
Oscar Cowburn
Theo Cowburn
Lorne Thomson
Harriet Field
Ellie Gibson
Imogen Akerman

Finally congratulations to our Junior section award winners

The Bonham Cup & Stuart Robertson Award - Lorne Thomson
The Sue Darch Shield - Katie Ryan
Junior Club Person of the year - Zara Marino

Simeon Field
Junior Chairman

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	Away strip - Simeon to order more mens away kit GMS - give feedback about umpires, Junior fixtures come through very late. Coaching pathway - Erica Website move across to Teamo - to be discussed at Committee (Lukasz) Crib sheet for passwords - Kate O
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Finish: 20:22pm

Team Reports

Ladies 1XI

The Ladies 1s were excited and ready for the start of the 2021/22 season, after some team fitness and bonding activities. We won our first match against Winchester with a last-minute goal from Kate Olingschaeger (our top goal scorer this season!) With 6 points from our first 3 matches we felt strong and full of confidence.

After several players became out of action with long-term injuries, we had a number of defeats and lost our belief and composure. For most of our matches we played as a team, put training routines into game situations and had lots of possession, but losing concentration for parts of games, enabled the opposition a way in and it was these moments that led to our losses.

We are grateful to all of the 2s players that stepped up to support us and ensured we could field a team! Well done to Katie Ryan (Junior player of the season) and Neve Reilly who joined the 1s this year. A special mention to Erica Jenner (Ladies 1s player of the season) who brought effortless skill and words of wisdom to the pitch every game and training session. Thank you also to Jim who has improved our individual and team skills.

Our league position as 10th out of 12 teams is not where we feel we should be and it certainly does not reflect most of the hockey we played. We have an energetic, talented team who will come back even stronger next season!

Emma Beeching (Palf 😊)

Ladies 2XI

After a stop start 20-21 season the Ladies 2s we're raring to go with at the start of the 2021/22 season.

The team started the season on high with a frustrating but utterly deserved win away against Andover in the thunder. The team welcomed lots of new comers to the squad as well as seasoned core players. This season saw new players join the club and structured training saw juniors progressing through senior hockey. Well done to Zarah Marino who has gone from strength to strength to grown confidence and skill in abundance in her first season with the Ladies 2s. A special mention to Lisa Morgan (Ladies 2s player of the season) who has been the backbone to our squad with effortless skill, diversity and charisma. Finally, new comer to the club Jo Ritchie has bamboozled us with her motivational speeches, pep talks, stick skills and commitment to club taking an active role in supporting and Captaining the team after an injury saw Sophie Skudder out for the season after only 4 games.

This season definitely demonstrated the power of training and the influence of Jim on the squad with the team regularly getting attacking outcomes and converting penalty corners. Something that the squad should be immensely proud of.

We are grateful to both the 1s for giving our players the opportunity to develop and strengthen their skills when they were struggling to field a squad and for the 3s ladies who similarly were our back rod on the weeks we were struggling with availability.

After a nail biting 3-2 last minute win over Southampton we finished the season 6th out of 10. Comfortable but not where we feel we could have been without injuries that plagued us throughout the season. However, this will be our drive to strive harder for next season.

Sophie Skudder

Ladies 3XI

The ladies 3s has had an absolutely awesome season. We started off a little shaky, fielding a team for the first few weeks of the season which changed week on week, with us starting most matches introducing ourselves and borrowing players left right and centre for a game or two (huge thanks for the 4s and 2s who helped us out particularly with the Swanage & Wareham away game!)

But then towards the end of 2021 things started to click into place...we had a consistent core team and started to have some wins. Some wins became winning every week in 2022, with the exception of v Swanage & Wareham and Southampton Uni who we weren't counting anyway as they were way out of reach!

Cat Gladstone won our player of the season award and quite rightly so, scoring the most goals in the team and also we believe across the ladies section.

We've had some amazing juniors - Amelia Budge deserves special mention as she has played consistently for us and been instrumental in counteracting the older legs in the team, as has Mia Adams.

Also special mention to our goalies. Liz Forbes made her debut as a goalie and has been incredible at leading from the back for the defence team. Derien also made her return from injury part way through the season and got straight back on it, with some fantastic moves in goal.

Our amazing season culminated with finishing 3rd of 9 after a very close match vs Eastleigh, the winner of which would take that 3rd spot. It was a tense 0-0 end to end game but top goal scorer Cat clinched it with a goal in the final 20 seconds on the back of a scorching pass into the D by Tash.

To top it off we are being promoted so look forward to playing alongside the ladies 2s in Forest division 1 next season.

This promotion couldn't have happened if it wasn't for the amazing coaching we've had throughout the season and the 3's would all like to say thanks to all those involved especially Charlotte, Palf, Jo, Gemma and Emily.

Finally off the pitch the 3's team have been out socialising with events at Christmas and Easter as well a good number thoroughly enjoying the End of Season Do – and a big Cheers goes to all those who organised this – Fantastic Job – Can't wait for the next social!

Ladies 4XI

The 2021-22 season has been excellent – we have had 30 different people representing the 4's, this includes 9 juniors playing their first adult hockey match, and 4 adults playing their first hockey match. We finished joint second in our league having scored 22 goals - Top goal scorer was Ruth, with Angela and Zoe joint second.

Next season we are in a larger division which will bring new challenges but we are ready with enthusiasm to face it. There are several juniors who have just started playing adult hockey who will continue next season, and several also who have played consistently well who we will push on up the squads so their hockey continues to develop.

We are very grateful to Charlotte, Palf, Jo and Gemma for stepping up to coach us, and to all those who have given up time to umpire.

Clare Cooper

Mens 1X

The Men's 1s struggled this season after the strong seasons they had during the COVID Years. A disappointing 5th place finish leaves lots to focus on for September as we eye promotion again. In a fairly remarkable feat, we lost twice to everyone who finished above us, and beat everyone below us twice with no draws.

Thanks to everyone who stepped up to coach this year, Tim, Chris, Lewis and Noah, and to everyone who managed to remain positive in the games where we weren't our best.

The season culminated in a Hampshire Trophy Final against the IOW who were promoted out of Div 3. We lost the game 3-2 but enjoyed the experience of representing the club at Finals Day.

Player of the Season was the experienced goalkeeper, Nick Welby, who followed up this prestigious award with selection for the England Over 50s side. Congratulations Nick!

Mens 2XI, Mens 3XI - no reports given

Junior Section 2021-2022 End of Season Report

Minis

U8's -

The under 8s had a very successful season with a wide range of players including the youngest, turning 4 mid-season, playing in tournament hockey. A number of new Year 3s joined the club who learned very quickly and gave the club a very strong team for the single/triangular matches. Early on there may have been the odd draw, but as the season progressed the results improved and more and more goals were scored. Their style of play was complemented with good passing, and occasionally passing around the back. By March, there were enough players to have 2 teams out, and it was a shame that the last fixture was canceled as some of the mid-season joiners were due to play their first matches.

About half of the squad will move up to the U10s next season. We hope for more new joiners particularly in Year 3, but there is a good group of girls with 2 more seasons in the Under 8s with plenty of match experience to lead the group on. Particular thanks to Charlotte Akerman who looked after these Under 6s almost single handedly. Also to Max Goulden for his help throughout the season, including goalkeeper training for the U12/14 girls, and the many parents who helped at numerous stages in the season. A very strong parental team effort!

Girls most improved - Clemmie Williams;

Girls - best player - Rosie Goulden;

Boys most improved - Ted Morris

Boys - best player - Elijah Gilbert

Boys

U12

This year - Started with approximately 7 under 12's boys with 4 of these being from the under 10's. However by the end of the season we had 21 registered on team for training. Need to mention Noah Cooper who did a great job of running training every week. Season was a bit patchy due to other clubs not being able to full fill a side. With the large number of under 10's playing we decided to take the opportunity to give them the experience of tougher hockey.

Going forward - There appears to be few leaving and many coming up. There are players from the U10's who have played with the U12's already. Extra management is needed if we are to put 2 teams in. Noah Cooper is not around next season.

U 14

This year - We have struggled with numbers and not been able to play many games. We have managed to field a team by using U12's and U10's with one of the 10's scoring in one game. We managed players training by mixing them between the U12 and U16. Some of the players are already contributing to mens hockey

Going forward - There are players leaving with very few going up. There may not be enough players to field a team so the U14's may need to play up to the U16's

Other

Huge thanks to the helpers and a big shout out for anyone wanting to get involved as the Gilbert's are spread across u10s, u12s and u14 boys which needs to change this season.

The junior awards day was a huge success with 122 people attending! starcakesbyalice contributed 15% of cake sales on the day to the club.

U16

We had a good season this year.

A change from the previous few years, saw the boys returning the having their own training session, this really helped them gel as a team and we immediately saw improvement in their team play. In fact, they probably peaked in the first half of their first game, leading 9 nil at halftime against New Forest. The second half was a slight return to form, with each player trying to score wonder goals themselves whenever they had the ball, and we won the match 11 nil.

They did not have the busiest season, we had to concede one game due to player numbers, then played 6, winning four, losing one and drawing one. Ending up third in the league.

The boys probably suffered from the variability of the teams that they competed against, the 4 wins coming in the first 4 games, with an aggregate score of 34 to 4, they then lost against Petersfield and drew against Basingstoke. I feel if the last 2 games had been played in a different order they may well have had different results with the strength of Basingstoke a better preparation before the toughest match of the season.

The most improved player was awarded to Fred Jackson for his growth in confidence and communication skills, he became a real leader of the team over the year.

And the Player of the Season was Lorne Thomson who captained the team throughout the year, he showed maturity and leadership while talking to the Boys, particularly pre-match, and was always keen to make a difference on the field.

Pete O'Hara

Girls

U12

It's been a fantastic season for the U12 girls, with an excellent turnout both for practice and matches.

The U12 A team won their Pool (South Central Girls Div 2 Pool A). They played 14 games, winning 13 and drawing 1 of them and scoring 62 goals for vs 16 against.

The U12 B's (as the younger side) came a very close 2nd in their Pool (Div 2 Pool B). They played 12 games, winning 7, drawing 2 and losing 3, with 25 goals for and 15 scored against them

The 2nd team are younger and will continue playing for the U12's next season

There has been great coaching by Liz and Andrew assisted by Jo, with some challenging drills on a Wednesday night.

Many of the girls have also had experience acting up to U14's when they have been short.

So an excellent season with some very promising players.

Catherine Akerman

U14

A super season for the U14 girls, who won their league and remained undefeated for the whole season! Scoring over 50 goals and conceding single figures for the whole season.

This group of strong girls, with many of them playing together for a number of years, showed on the pitch particularly in the tight games against Trjongs and Havant where they found a way to win.

Players player of the season - Ellie Gibson

Player of the season - Alisa Safina

Most improved players- Zoe Phillips & Tilly Duncan

Congratulations also to the girls who were selected to play for Hampshire this season, well done to Harriet Field, Imogen Akerman and Ellie Gibson.

Some amazing matches and great laughs made up a super season, well done again girls, well deserved!

Thanks also to our coaches and manager and loyal band of traveling supporters , great job all round!

U16

We have had a fantastic Season and an amazing group exemplified by the sheer determination and team spirit shown throughout the season.

We have played 8 won 2 drawn 1

Our season reached a midpoint climax in Alton where we won in every way but the score with profuse apologies from the opposition when they realised what had happened.

We finished on a high with one of the best matches to see. A real tussle that ended in a draw.

We have seen the girls develop their skills and friendships. Field positioning, passing play and defensive skills have now grown.

Our players nominated their players player. Lucy has developed the right wing as her own. She is the fastest and most determined attacker and has even learnt to stop before running out of pitch.

Well done Lucy.

Everyone has improved massively and it was hard to choose the most improved but one player has come out of her shell. She has now gained a real determination and awareness of the players around her, not only defending well but now clearing and making passes too. Our most improved player was Ella.

Guy Roberts