



## BUCKINGHAMSHIRE HOCKEY UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

### Minutes of the thirteenth Annual General meeting held on 26 June 2014

**Present** D Tobin (in the Chair), C Clarke, R Dobson, M Dillow, D Monger, S Pearce, A Sparrow, S Seabrook, A. Mansfield and A Youl

**Apologies** M Crump, B Evans, J Chadbourne, S Coleman, L Glasspool, P Harding, H Farrar-Hockley, D French, A Howse, D Jenney, S Marshall, J Patel, S Pearce, J Pigott, M Power, G Ross, M Rutherford, P Sandford, M Sweers, A Taylor, L Turnbull, M Vince, and S Wolfrey

#### 2014.1 Previous minutes

The minutes of AGM held on 27 June 2013 were approved.

2014.1.1 Matters arising but not already on the agenda  
None

#### 2014.2 Reports

Appended to the master copy of the minutes are reports from the Secretary, Treasurer, Appointments Secretary, the County Discipline Officer, Chairman of the Selection & Coaching Committee, and the Level 1 & Young Umpire organizers. Copies of these can be found on the Handbook & Downloads page of the BHUA website.

Points in further oral reports included:

- Chair
- In a good year for the Association we have appointed to wider range of games than any other County in the South.
  - Members should seriously consider umpiring some junior or mini games as these can be very rewarding.
  - Specially thanks are due to the Simon Seabrook as Treasurer and webmaster, Andy Sparrow Secretary who had managed a period of appointments when our website failed, and to Jim Patel for his role in buying radios and clothing.

- Treasurer
- Our finances are healthy and we have a healthy surplus, helped by the willingness of members to double up and so increasing the number of games we can appoint to.
  - Travel claims amounted to less than budgeted and there was no need to subsidise a 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner
  - We have bought shirts and radios and enhancements to our website;
  - A summary of the audited accounts will be posted on the BHUA website.
  - Next season we will increase the Coaching budget, buy more radios, and buy BHUA-franked jackets for members taking appointments.
  - A recommendation to keep the Association subscriptions and Appointment Fees at the 2013–2014 rates.

- Coaching & Selection Committee
- Coaching next season will be a mix of a focus on a few umpires and of making sure every appointee receives coaching at least once.
  - We will be buying more radios for use on Regional 1 games.

#### 2014.3 Annual subscriptions

Agreed: to set the annual subscription for 2014/2015 at £15.

**2014.4 Election of Officers**

2014.4.1 The following had been duly proposed and seconded by Council prior to the meeting but no other nominations had been received so the candidates were elected all unopposed to serve until the 2015 AGM.

<b>President</b>	D Jenney
<b>Chairman of Council</b>	D Tobin
<b>Secretary</b>	no nomination
<b>Treasurer</b>	S Seabrook
<b>Appointments Secretary</b>	A Sparrow
<b>Chairman of Selection and Coaching Committee</b>	J Patel
<b>Members</b>	M Dillow, M Rutherford, and L Turnbull

2014.2.2 There were no nominations from the floor for Secretary or the two remaining Member places. These places can be filled by co-option.

**2014.5 Other Business**

2014.5.1 We have reinstigated the Umpire of the Year Award. This year it is being awarded to an unsung hero that contributes to the Association and works really hard for his club:  
Hils Farrar-Hockley

