

Somerset Ladies Past Captains Committee

Minutes of Meeting held at Isle of Wedmore on 3rd December 2018

Present. Sandra Ford, Claire Biggs, Susie Gibbins, Sally Dymock, Gwen Cavill, Theresa Munns and Di Yates.

- **1. Apologies.** Linda Johnson.
- 2. Minutes of meeting held at Clevedon on 3rd September 2018.

Minutes approved and signed as a true record.

- 3. Matters arising. None...
- 4. Chairman's Report. Sandra Ford. [Verbal Report]

Sandra thanked everyone for their hard work. At Club level could we ask you to make members aware that the County is still seeking volunteers for the positions of Junior organiser and Assistant Competitions Secretary

5. Treasurer's Report. Claire Biggs. [Verbal Report]

Claire reported on the current financial position and presented draft Annual accounts.

The Secretary reported on an excellent response from Clubs for 2019 subscriptions. There are a couple of Clubs outstanding which have been contacted, and fees are expected shortly. She also reported on an excellent database system provided by Chris Harris of Saltford, and is confident everyone's E:Mail is correct.

6. Kit Report. Susie Gibbins. [Report previously circulated]

Susie reported that the kit is fully stocked and reported that the kit provider is holding their prices.

7. Match Organiser's Report. Gwen Cavill. [Report previously circulated]

Discussion took place on the proposed committee allocation as "match captain" in Gwen's report and all was agreed. The proposed letter to Delegates/Members concerning match availability was approved and the Secretary will E:Mail Delegates the first week in January. Gwen and Linda will then meet on 12 February and allocate team members for the various matches.

8. Team Event 2019. Susie Gibbins. [Report previously circulated]

Within 24 hours of putting the entry form on the website this event was full. Obviously we have some disappointed teams, who failed to get their entry in quickly enough. Discussion then took place on the robustness of the current system. The current system of "first come, first served" basis was still felt to be the fairest. However, for 2020 no "hand delivery" applications will be accepted, all applications must go in the post.

Gwen and Sally then raised the possibility of holding two Team events as we have a number of disappointed teams. Again a lengthy discussion took place about the merits for and against. It was eventually decided that this was something we would like the membership as a whole to comment on. If there were two team events a show of hands from the committee indicated that they were not prepared for the additional cost and perhaps, more importantly, the additional time that the extra event would take.

Gwen/Sally and Susie to prepare a fact gathering questionnaire on the Team Event, which once agreed with the committee, can be sent to Delegates.

Both Sandra and Susie stated that in their discussions with other county representatives they have been surprised to find out that we are the only County that seems to run a Team Event.

9. Competition Secretary's Report. Theresa Munns. [Report previously circulated]

Report previously circulated and covers the current situation. The entry form will be on the Website the first week in January.

Theresa's next task will be looking for 2020 venues for the Spring, Summer and Autumn meetings. If any committee member has a suggested venue please let Theresa know.

10. Website Report. Sally Dymock.

Sally was again congratulated on the excellent and much improved website.

11. 25th Anniversary – 7th October 2019

Emma provided a copy of the current IoW Banquet menu, although it is priced for 2018 only; Di to circulate a copy to committee members (done). Claire confirmed that the Management have indicated their approval for us to decorate the room with balloons etc. The room can accommodate a maximum of 90 people.

12. AOB

The Secretary to E:Mail Delegates a copy of "the Delegates Roles and Responsibilities" document; no need for a Delegates meeting as we will be sending them a questionnaire.

The meeting closed at 12 noon.

Next meeting 10 a.m. on 15th March at Isle of Wedmore.

Proposed dates for 2019 based on 2018 meetings:

Monday 1 July 2019 - IoW Friday 26 July – September Meeting and AGM, Worlebury Monday 2 September - IoW Monday 2 December