

BLHC Meeting
Monday 6th September 7:30pm
Teams

Present

Marianne Simmonds
Ruth Lane
Joan Passant
Becki Smith
Sophie Passant
Ali Nelson
Jolene Spencer
Charlotte Taylor
Christine Hallsworth
Richard Robey
Claire Vaughan
Wendy Morris
Helen Carter
Kathy

Apologies

Judy Hooker
Julie Carter
Louise Hobbs
Hannah Goold
Holly Rainford
Jenny Flowers

✓ **Agenda Topics for Discussion**

- ✓ Trials
 - ✓ Selection
 - ✓ GMS communications
 - ✓ Membership communication
 - ✓ Club Buzz
 - ✓ Coaches
 - ✓ 9am slot matches
 - ✓ Teas
 - ✓ Treasurers Report
 - ✓ Updating policies on Google drive
 - ✓ AOB
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Trials

General consensus that the trials had gone well and that splitting the slots between 2s/3s and 4s/5s/6s was successful and that full pitch training worked better. 36 players attended the 4s-6s and 24 players attended the 2s-3s slots.

Selection

Ruth has the players in teams 2s-6s on a spreadsheet.

Important request made that players need to be registered on the website. Captains and Managers to ensure this. Will make it easier to charge match fees. Players can be in more than one team to allow flexibility.

Action RL to share link with captains on how to update players into the teams on the website.

It was reported that there was slightly confused communications regarding selection with 7s/8s parents. Suggestion that maybe an extra committee meeting prior to selection would be beneficial.

Action: Richard to blanket email juniors over next couple of days to ensure they all know which training session to attend.

Action Let Ruth know if 7/8 need to move up so she can add them to spreadsheet.

GMS communication

Before the start of the season (25th September) it was discussed that as a priority we need to identify Club Admins - MS, RR (juniors), LH, CV agreed that they will take up this responsibility. Also Dave Saxton potentially for the juniors. Team admins will be made up of captains and managers. Suggestion that providing a WiFi code would be useful to enable match results to be uploaded on to the system promptly.

Action An extra meeting on Tuesday 14th September has been agreed to discuss GMS progress

Coaches

1s Craig now will not be returning until the start of November and dependent on treatment. Marko Lamb will be covering the next three sessions. Sally will not play, unless needed, and will share coaching/managing duties with Claire on match days. Craig does dial in/zoom on match days where possible. Games are being recorded to enable analysis by Craig. General committee consensus that it would be good to touch base with Craig to show our support. Suggestion of maybe making short 'group hello' videos at training to send to him

Action MS to organise

2s/3s Luke will coach both teams

4s/5s - Will Selby can definitely coach, possibly Rob also. Ruth has agreed for the club to pay Will's Level One coaching qualification plus the difference of his membership fee as he is not playing this season.

6s Ruth will speak to Caitlyn to see if she can coach, she may not be available but will see and take it from there. If not, could Will Selby help? Concerns raised that one coach to do both 6s and Back to Hockey may be difficult due to mixed level abilities and help needed. To review again in a few weeks when numbers settle

Some 6s unable to make the 5:30 session due to other commitments, and asking if later session possible. There are already high numbers in that session. However there is the Thursday training session available if juniors unable to make the early Wednesday session. Reassess over the next few weeks when training session numbers settle.

Action RL to get in touch with Caitlyn

9am playing slot for matches

6s have lots of 9am starts, and concerns were raised regarding possible cancellations of matches in the colder months due to frozen pitches also the same team potentially having to rearrange lots of matches. Suggestion was made to consider playing on a

Friday evening as an alternative. WM informs that lights are not good enough and cannot afford to upgrade. Was mentioned that this is a problem which will affect other teams too and to see how it goes.

Teas

Discussion on how match teas can be done in a more efficient way, COVID safe way. Need to ensure Food Hygiene Certificates in place, using dishwasher etc. Due to different match times, post COVID concerns, consensus agreed that each team captain will organise their own match teas. Pastries suggested for early matches. Chip cobs suggested for later matches.

Action RR to contact George's Fish & Chips to get prices for individual chip cobs as this will be easier and less food handling.

Treasurer Report

Good News! Ruth presented the budget for the year and due to the deficit being less than expected there is capacity to invest in kit. It was mentioned that 6s don't have shirts and that the 4s shirts are in poor shape. Also 6s do not have full face masks. It was agreed to purchase two sets of shirts (one white, one blue) to share amongst teams when quotes are in. Face masks for the 6s to be purchased now. To revisit next full committee meeting.

RR mentioned that juniors girls (3 teams) have only one set of Adidas blue kit between them, plus they share with the 7s and maybe one old white kit. Parents are asked if they can provide their own kit. RR will look at mailing parents to see if there are any companies in their midst who may be interested in sponsorship, however if there are funds then the junior position should be considered also.

Action RR to email parents regarding potential sponsorship for junior kit

Action RL to purchase face masks for 6s

Action JS to contact our new kit supplier Mad Dog Sports (Steven Spencer) to quote for two sets of shirts and also to quote for home and away shirts for juniors

Action CH to see if there are any shirts in container at Belper and advise.

Ruth has looked at match fees for upcoming season. It was decided that fees for 2s and 3s should be the same as they share the same coach now and play in the same league. 5s match fees have increased due to increased pitch time. Concern from captains there may be some moans from players, but happy to explain rationale behind increases. Also there is potential to individually review fees in cases of hardship.

Mileage now recommences being paid at 12p per mile for matches outside of Derbyshire (need 3 players in car)

If players provide match tea, match fees don't need to be paid up to a maximum of 2 players

Umpires to be offered £10 per hour if they want to claim it.

Ruth suggested that it may be useful to create an Umpire Coordinator. Under GMS we need to provide two umpires for home matches but none for away matches. 1s-3s have umpires appointed, but would be useful for 4s-6s. Consensus that this would be a great idea. **Action** volunteer?

Updating Policy documents

Action JC to look at updating safe guarding documents

AOB

Gail Lowe will put 'up to date' photos on club website. Ruth has emailed AN with her email.

MS will do a 'Welcome to the Season' communication with members. LH and MS to organise short video introductions to put faces to names to go on to Club Website.

MS to get in touch with Belper Mens Chair to discuss GMS, Safeguarding etc. WP suggested contacting Mini Hockey also and will send email info to MS.

Volunteers requested for marshalling cars for Belper football matches on Saturdays 1:30-3pm. Nigel Hooker has a card reader, spare reader also requested.

Next meetings

Tuesday 14th September 7.30pm for GMS discussion prior to start of season

Tuesday 21st September 7:30pm - to be confirmed.

Action Points

MS

- Organise group hello messages for Craig
- Contact Belper Mens to discuss shared issues, GMS, safeguarding etc
- Organise welcome to the season communication

MS/LH - Organise short video introductions for club website

RL

- Share link with captains for adding players onto teams on the Club website
- Speak to Caitlyn/Will to see if willing/able to coach 6s
- Purchase face masks for 6s

RR

- Email to parents/juniors confirming which training sessions to attend
- Contact George's to get prices for individual chip baps for match teas
- Contact Ruth to advise if any juniors from 7s and 8s are moving up
- Contact Dave Saxton regarding being a Club Admin
- Email junior parents to see if potential sponsorship for junior kit

AN - Organise photos to send to Gail Lowe to go on website
JS - Contact Mad Dog Sport to get prices for two sets of shirts
CH - To check if there are shirts in the container at Belper
WM - To send email to DS with contact info for Mini Hockey

General - Volunteers requested for marshalling cars at Belper FC on Saturdays.