



Attendees (in no particular order):

Barrington Wiles, Dan Johnson, Savitri Thomas, Liz Marin-Curtoud, Alan Knott, Tina Knott, Curtis Knott, Paige Greeves, Matt Pickles, Sam Keenan, Matt Clark, Luke Harris, Sally Keith, Benn Glazier, Andy Chowdhury, Paul Henly, Shiraz Sheikh, Roger Price, Mark Bartolo, Armani Sharif, Justin Sbresni, Newton Moss, Bobby Iftikar, John Greenwood, Eddie Goodchild, Karen Klomp, Justin Sbresni, David Cook, Taz Taper, Jim Hughes, David Brown

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from: Laurie Johnston, Dave Gladstone, Neil Shah, Jack Hughes, Dag Selwyn-Kuczera, Raj Patel.

2. Acceptance of minutes of AGM on 26th of November 2016

The minutes from the previous AGM were accepted as a true and accurate representation of the meeting.

3. Amendments to the Club's Constitution

DE: Some updates to the Constitution are required to more closely reflect the current club principles and organisation.

As per the circulated document, there are 5 main proposed changes that the AGM is asked to vote on:

- a) Removal of 'Vice Chair' from the Officers of the Club as a position which has not been filled for a number of years now.
- b) Removal of 'Junior Club Captain' from the Officers of the Club. Although the Executive believe the position is important, it has rarely been effectively utilised. Although run as an unofficial position for a number of years, it hasn't officially been co-opted into the Constitution so this is a decision on whether to add or not.
- c) The creation of a second officer representing the Junior section in order to more fairly reflect the composition of the club's membership: we now have 133 junior members who are represented by only 1 executive committee member. It is therefore proposed to create another role on the committee in order to represent this group of members.
- d) A change in the voting rights to provide a fairer voice for our growing number of Junior parents – each paid-up junior member can nominate a parent to vote. If the junior plays regularly in the senior sides, he or she may vote (parent loses voting rights).

- e) Split the Officers of the club into Executive roles (which form management committee) and non-Executive roles, as recommended below. This is to keep the Executive to a manageable size and fairly reflect all sections of the membership.

The AGM is asked to vote per proposal:

- a) No objections.
- b) No objections.
- c) No objections.
- d) Question: what if a family has multiple paid-up junior members? Answer: only 1 parent vote per family. This will be amended in section 4b. With this amendment: no objections.
- e) Question: is the Welfare Officer required to be on the Management committee? Answer: will check and amend if need be. No objections.

The suggested changes to the Constitution have been accepted.

4. The Chairman’s Report (John Greenwood)

JG: looking back on the season, we held our own in the field, but improvement is needed. The highlight is the Junior section, which is thriving as a result of great work by Sally, David, and the team managers. We need to work harder to integrate the Senior and Junior sections of the club, perhaps the 1st XI players could come down to attend Junior training sessions. Friday nights have become a great social event and it would be good if more (Senior) members would come down.

The other highlight is that the ladies’ team were unbeaten all season.

There is one other thing to add, which is the new pavilion. We know that there is a lot of scepticism among members about this, but it will happen – because it needs to happen. We are close to getting more grant funding in (JG has been writing grant proposals for the last few weekends), but we need more membership efforts to raise funds next season. The design of the new pavilion has been value-engineered to get to the lowest possible costs, but it’s important to remember that a building does not make a club, but the members do.

Unfortunately we lost Bilmes as our main sponsor recently, which means a loss of income of £3.5k per year. If anyone works for, owns, or knows of a company that can replace Bilmes as our sponsor, please do let us know. AS: would be good to have numbers on members, footfall, shirts, etc. This can be made available.

5. Finance Report (Eddie Goodchild)

JG: we aim to make the club’s finances as transparent as possible, so that we can justify every penny going in and out. We encourage everyone to speak up if they want to question anything, either this evening or at any time throughout the year.

Income and expenditure 2017			
<i>Income</i>		<i>Expenditure</i>	
Senior men subs	£ 15,655	Utilities	£ 4,034
Junior Subs	£ 14,359	Fullers	£ 1,169
Ladies Subs	£ 1,795	Bookers	£ 1,922
Match fees	£ 12,567	Greene King	£ 10,830

Pre-paid match fees	£ 2,740	Wages (incl cleaning)	£ 12,372
Nets	£ 2,587	Rent	£ 20,563
Junior summer camp profit	£ 340	Winter nets hire	£ 2,605
Junior winter training profit	£ 850	Card machine	£ 692
Bar takings	£ 28,136	BOC (gas canisters)	£364
Deposits (incl. sponsorship)	£ 29,714	365 Direct (waste)	£ 855
Hirings	£ 5,472	TV licence	£ 151
Dinner & Dance	£ 2,520	Utilities warehouse fee	£ 210
Bank transfers	£ 15,121	Nadworks	£ 120
		PPL Music licence	£ 203
		Insurance premium	£ 1,508
		Corporation tax	£ 400
		Junior cricket league NEC	£250
		Surrey Championship	£ 2,047
		KRCL fees	£ 410
		Club Cricket Conf. fee	£ 302
		Surrey Trust League fee	£ 185
		Friends of Surrey	£ 175
		Surrey Cricket Board	£ 90
		Griffin pitch hire	£ 2,400
		Junior pitch hire	£ 378
		Coaching	£ 6,005
		Summer camp coaching	£ 4,259
		Ground maintenance	3 2,664
		Dinner & Dance	£ 2,267
		CricketForce	£ 11,419
		Miscellaneous	£ 21,554
		Pavilion design fee	£ 3,000
		Pavilion planning appl.	£ 2,310
		Pavilion tree survey	£ 486
		Lease rent deposit	£ 9,325
Total	£ 131,855	Total	£ 127,521
Profit: £ 4,334			

- Profit: £ 4,334
- In current account: £ 10,174.21
- Long term debt: £ 3,500
- Borrowed from Pavilion account to cover rent payment: £ 5,000
- **Net profit 2017: £6,008**

- In Pavilion account: £ 18,968 (not including the £ 5,000 to be transferred back from current account)

Notes on the Finance report:

- Senior men subs are up £400 from 2016
- Junior subs are £5k up
- Ladies are up some 10%
- Bar takings are some £6k less despite the Junior Friday nights – likely to be the effect of not having Saturday night food
- Hirings are down £5k as we had no corporate hirings this season.
- Match fees are up due to the pre-paid system.
- Deposits include Raj's great crowd-funding effort for CricketForce, the £3k Surrey gave us towards CricketForce, the hiring fee from the Christmas Forest, the hiring of the car park by TfL, the hiring income from the container rent out, and the sponsorship money from Bilmes.
- We are still owed money by Paypal for the summer camp, HMRC for the corporation tax which we're not liable to pay, and the Christmas Forest for this year.
- It'll be the last payment to Fuller's as we're now using Greene King.
- Payment to Surrey Championship includes league entry fees, balls, and £125 in fines.
- Coaching includes both Junior and Senior men's coaching.
- Wages include the extra help on the grounds by John Baigan and take into account the higher-than-last-year London Living Wage, but are still down on last year as we had fewer hirings.
- Pavilion account: we keep this completely separate from day to day club expenditure and is only used for payments directly related to the new pavilion, e.g. planning application, design fee, rent deposit for the lease extension (we needed to extend our lease to comply with grant funding conditions).

Barrington: can we separate the pavilion expenses from the operational expenditure? EG: yes, will do this going forward.

David C: more of a comment than a question: we only had 3 weeks to promote the summer camps and we're still finalising the numbers, but very confident that it will be bigger success next year as we'll have more time to promote it.

EG: to conclude a profit of £6k (which was £800 last year) is very decent. The biggest bugbears are having to chase people to pay their subs and match fees – this is year-round and very time consuming. There is a total of £259 in outstanding match fees. Prior to every selection committee meeting Eddie sent the list of people who hadn't paid to Justin, but although a lot of times those people were indeed not selected, unfortunately availability was often an issue so it wasn't possible to obey this rule every time.

JG: considering that only a few years ago some 20% of match fees weren't paid, to get to some 95% being paid now is not bad at all, also compared to other clubs. But it does create an incredible amount of work to chase those who don't pay their fees on the day, and it's up to every member to say to those who don't pay that they need to cough up. Newton: you don't go to a shop without any money, so why do that when going to play cricket? Especially bad for those who have paid their fees but aren't selected. JG: this is a valid point and needs to be taken on board by Chair of Selection. BI: at Dulwich you don't play if you don't pay, simple as that. AS: losing the point here as £260 in unpaid fees is not bad for a club our size, it basically equates to one person not paying their subs. Not saying it can't be or should be better, but let's not lose sight of the great work done by Eddie to get it to this point. JS: it's match fees rather than subs that are not paid, and looking at it this is not a

systemic issue but rather separate occurrences that are difficult to iron out completely. And as mentioned we did follow the no-pay-no-play rule the majority of times which had good results. JG: so the perception of the issue doesn't quite match the facts which means we need to communicate this better so that we address facts not rumours. Andy: £260 equals not even 2% of match fees which is really very good. Bart: we should determine who is responsible for collecting the match fees, as Eddie is already very busy. MC: the Captains do this and works well with regulars but less so with occasional players as no sight on where they may play the following week.

EG: we've had a lot of new members join who I don't know, so could be that some of them haven't paid. DC: one night at nets there were 3 members and some 20 people I didn't know. There doesn't seem to be a system in place to get these people in as members. Important for Captains to go to nets to welcome new players.

Important to note that the winter is still a difficult time for the club with lot of outgoings but almost nothing coming in. if you are able to pay your subs early, please do so. And paying for your pre-paid match fees before the season also helps a lot with the club's cash flow. As always there is the option to pay your subs in instalments if you agree this with the Treasurer and Membership Secretary.

6. Subscription and Match Fees for the 2018 season

JG: after careful consideration the committee proposes not to increase the annual subscription and match fees for the 2018 season.

DJ: why are the ladies' fees only half of the men's? KK: this is partly a legacy from when the ladies were playing far fewer matches than the men. This has changed over the years and we now have almost much as many league matches as the men. However looking at the ladies' subs at neighbouring clubs, we are already asking quite a lot of money. Putting this up to get more in line with the men's subs would mean we would struggle to recruit new members or even retain existing ones. This is why we propose to keep them as they were in 2017. Taz: if only in applying for grants we need a ladies' section. JG: and the ladies' members more than pull their weight on the committee and other functions. EW: important to understand that unlike the vast majority of men, women who approach the club hardly ever have any previous experience in playing cricket. Higher subs will likely mean that they won't even try – or at least not with us.

Vote: the AGM approves the proposed subs and match fees for 2018.

The fees for 2018 are therefore as follows:

Adult male	£250 (£210)
Adult male (concession)	£125 (£105)
Junior male (U21)	£85 (£70)
Adult female	£125 (£105)
Adult female (concession)	£85 (£70)
Junior female (U21)	£65 (£55)
Junior section	To be decided by Junior Committee

Price in brackets is the discounted fee (some 15% less than the full fee), which applies when subs are paid before the 31st of March 2018.

7. Captains'/Officers' Reports

JG: as we already had Captains' reports at the Dinner & Dance, in the interest of time it's proposed to move on.

8. Nominations for and Election of Club Officers and Captains

JG: anyone putting their hand up to stand for election needs to understand the work involved and will be committing to be in the position for the whole season.

Thanks to Bart who is stepping down as Membership Secretary and Fixture Secretary.

Membership owes a massive debt of gratitude to Roger!

Regarding a 7th XI, we need to see how the season goes.

Please see table below with all nominations, proposers and seconders.

Position	Incumbent	Nomination	Proposer	Secunder
Chairman	John Greenwood	John Greenwood	Matt Pickles	Karen Klomp
Treasurer	Eddie Goodchild	Eddie Goodchild	Karen Klomp	Dan Johnson
Honorary Secretary	Karen Klomp	Karen Klomp	Eddie Goodchild	Justin Sbresni
Membership Secretary	Mark Bartolo	Daniel Johnson	Justin Sbresni	Benn Glazier
Chairman of Senior Cricket	Justin Sbresni	Justin Sbresni	Dan Johnson	Matt Pickles
Chair of Junior Cricket	Sally Keith	Sally Keith	David Brown	Dan Johnson
Men's Club Captain	Dan Ellis	Dan Ellis	Justin Sbresni	Dan Johnson
Women's Club Captain	Emma Williams	Emma Williams	Karen Klomp	Dan Johnson
Junior Cricket Rep	n/a	David Cook	Sally Keith	Andy Chowdhury
Groundsman	Roger Price	Roger Price	Matt Clark	Justin Sbresni
Club Development Officer	John Greenwood	John Greenwood	Justin Sbresni	Eddie Goodchild
Fixtures Secretary	Mark Bartolo	Chris Hobbis	Matt Pickles	Armani Sharif
Club Welfare Officer	L. Johnston/L. Marin-Curtoud	Liz Marin-Curtoud	Karen Klomp	Luke Harris
Social Committee (Chair)		Nick Gibbens	Armani Sharif	Matt Clark
Surrey League Rep	Dave Gladstone	Armani Sharif	Karen Klomp	Luke Harris
Kent Regional League Rep	Laurie Johnston	Laurie Johnston	Justin Sbresni	Matt Clark
Saturday 1st XI	Kasheef Hassan	Neneto Davids	Justin Sbresni	Matt Pickles
Saturday 2nd XI	Armani Sharif	Armani Sharif	Bobby Iftikar	Dan Johnson

Saturday 3rd XI	Matt Clark/ Dan Driscoll	Andy Mills	Andy Mills won the vote against Alan Knott	
Saturday 4th XI	Mark Davis	Benn Glazier	Benn won the vote against Curtis Knott & Andy C	
Saturday 5th XI	Laurie Johnston	Paul Henly	Paul won the vote against Shiraz Sheikh	
Saturday 6th XI	Ryan Willmott	Laurie Johnston	Barrington Wilkes	Jim Hughes
Ladies 1 st XI	Rabiena Hassan	Rabiena Hassan	Karen Klomp	Luke Harris
Ladies 2 nd XI		Kathryn Tharby	Emma Williams	Liz Marin-Curtoud
Sunday 1 st XI	Bobby Iftikar/Matt Clark	Bobby Iftikar	Justin Sbresni	David Brown
Sunday 2 nd XI		David Brown	Justin Sbresni	Benn Glazier
Midweek Captain		Bobby Iftikar	Sally Keith	Luke Harris

JG: congratulations to all, and thanks to all who stood for election - really encouraging to see so many people wanting to be captains, a real show of strength of the club.

We won't have a Development XI this season as we are working on integrating the Juniors into senior cricket more (both Saturday and Sunday), and don't believe Development cricket as is played at the moment is the right way to do that.

9. Any Other Business

- AS: how is it decided who organises the teas? Answer: any paid position is a decision for the executive committee to make, but where possible the committee will always seek input and views from the membership.
- On 16 December there will be Christmas drinks at the club.

JG thanks all who attended and the AGM closes at 9.40pm.