

BLACKPOOL CRICKET CLUB  
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Present: Mr. D. Cresswell ( in the Chair ); 3 Officers of the Club; 7 members of the Executive Committee and 53 other members of the Club.

Also Present: Mr. D.C. Aird of Blackhurst Budd Ltd. and Mr. I. Riding of John Potter and Harrison.

Apologies: Apologies for absence were received from Paul Danson; Warren Dixon; Joe Boniface; Martin Lamb; Philip Mather; Donald Parker; Stuart Peat and Tony Scarborough.

1. Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Membership

The Chairman referred to those members and friends of the Club who had died during the last year. The members stood in silence as a mark of respect.

3. Minutes

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2016 were read, approved as a correct record and signed as such by the Chairman.

4. Correspondence

There was no correspondence to report.

5. Chairman's Report

The Chairman presented his report for the year 2017.

He congratulated 2 previous players Steven Croft of Lancashire County Cricket Club and Richard Gleeson of Northamptonshire County Cricket Club for their achievements. The Second XI had had a very successful season. The First XI and Ladies Cricket Teams also did very well.

Planning approval had been received for the proposed extension to the Pavilion.

A meeting had been held with Lancashire County Cricket Club to discuss future intentions.

Lancashire expressed concerns about the drainage and size of changing rooms

The Chairman extended his thanks to the bar staff for their fantastic performance during the year and Paul Lomax, the Bars Manager, who had obtained excellent prices for the products for the bar.

He thanked the squash players and the social members for their support for the Club together with all the other sporting groups that had meetings at the club.

The Chairman expressed his thanks to the Executive Committee and the Officers of the Club for their work during the year.

The Chairman's Report was received.

6. Honorary Treasurer's Report and Balance Sheet

The Honorary Treasurer presented the accounts and the balance sheet for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

The accounts showed an excess of income over expenditure of £55,289.

The Treasurer explained the areas where there had been significant change. It had been a record year for the Club income and profit wise.

Andy Wardle's catering had brought in increased revenue and Lester Jefferson had attracted increased functions.

The gross profit on the bar had increased from 54.5% last year to 57.5% this year. Thanks were recorded to Paul Lomax for this.

The heating, lighting and water costs had been reduced.

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6. Honorary Treasurer's Report and Balance Sheet (cont. )

The increased profit had allowed increased spending on the Pavilion and the ground. During the year £30,000 had been invested in Premium Bonds. The Treasurer expressed his thanks to Ian Riding and Michelle Kelly at John Potter and Harrison for their help during the year. The accounts were approved as presented.

#### 7. Election of Officers

The following Officers were elected for the ensuing year:

- a) President ( Mr. S.M. Ashworth ); b) Honorary Treasurer ( Mr. S.M. Ashworth );
- c) Honorary General Secretary ( Mrs.M.Chubb ); d) Honorary Cricket and Sports Secretary ( Mr. M. Lamb ); e) Accountants ( John Potter and Harrison ).

#### 8. Executive Committee

There were vacancies for four members to serve on the Executive Committee for three years and one member for one year.

Warren Dixon and Stephen Siddall were retiring and seeking re-election. Howard Bancroft had decided not to seek re-election.

Additional applications had been received from Sharon Bonell; Joseph Boniface; Stephen Boyne; Philip Mather; Jeremy Smith and Tony Westhead.

Sharon Bonell; Steven Boyne and Jeremy Smith spoke in support of their applications.

Steven Kennedy read the submissions received from Joe Boniface and Philip Mather.

After a ballot Sharon Bonell; Joe Boniface; Steven Boyne and Tony Westhead were elected to serve on the Executive Committee for three years and Philip Mather for one year.

Commiserations were extended to Warren Dixon; Steven Siddall and Jeremy Smith who were not elected.

#### 9. Amendment to Rules

The following proposal had been received:-

Dogs are allowed to enter the Club at all opening times on condition that they are kept on a short lead ; not allowed on the furniture and kept under strict control so as not to cause disturbance to other members using the Club. Should these conditions be breached officials of the Club have the authority to ask the member to leave the premises.

The proposal was proposed by Brian Twist and seconded by Stuart Peat.

After a long discussion the Chairman informed the members that the matter was an operational policy and would be considered by the Executive Committee.

#### 10. President's Suite

In recognition of the service given to the Club by Stuart Ashworth and Steven Kennedy it was agreed to rename the President's Lounge as the Ashworth Suite and the President's Bar as Kennedy's Bar.

#### 11. Cricket Playing Members

There was a discussion regarding the behaviour of some of the cricket playing members in the Members Lounge.

Date

11.12.18

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_



Chairman