



AGENDA MALLARD AGM

8:15pm Monday 7th April 2014
Held at Mallard Fencing Club, Herne Bay

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CHAIR
TREASURER

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POSITION	APPOINTED 2013
CHAIRMAN	SIMON HARTLEY
SECRETARY	JANE CLAYTON
TREASURER	DOMINIQUE KENNETT
<i>CLUB CAPTAIN</i>	<i>NEW POSITION TO BE APPOINTED</i>
JUNIOR CLUB CAPTAIN	EMMA ORTON
COMMITTEE MEMBERS	KEITH SILK, DAVID NORMAN
CHILD PROTECTION OFFICER	DOMINIQUE KENNETT

- 6 ANY OTHER BUSINESS



MINUTES OF MALLARD AGM APRIL 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT: DOMINIQUE KENNETT, KEITH SILK, GEORGIA SILK, JED SILK, STUART HARRIS, ADAM BARTLEY, SAMANTHA SEAGER, MIKE PETHICK, JANE CLAYTON.

THERE WERE NO APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

THE MINUTES FROM THE 2013 AGM WERE ACCEPTED AND THE ONLY ITEM STILL OUTSTANDING IS THE REMINDER SYSTEM FOR THE ROLLING MEMBERSHIP WHICH KEITH SILK IS LOOKING INTO.

THE CHAIRMANS REPORT IS ON THE WEBSITE FOR ALL TO READ.

THE TREASURER REPORTED THAT THE CLUBS FINANCES WERE IN A HEALTHY STATE AND WITH THE INCREASED MEMBERSHIP THE CLUB WAS MAKING A HEALTHY PROFIT MOST WEEKS. THE MAIN OUTGOINGS BEING THE HALL HIRE AND REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT.

THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

CHAIRMAN – KEITH SILK, PROPOSED BY JANE CLAYTON AND SECONDED BY DOMINIQUE KENNETT.

SECRETARY – JANE CLAYTON, PROPOSED BY KEITH SILK, AND SECONDED BY ADAM BARTLEY.

TREASURER – DOMINIQUE KENNETT, PROPOSED BY ADAM BARTLEY AND SECONDED BY SAMANTHA SEAGER.

CLUB CAPTAIN – STUART HARRIS, PROPOSED BY ADAM BARTLEY AND SECONDED BY KEITH SILK

JUNIOR CLUB CAPTAIN – EMMA ORTON, PROPOSED BY JANE CLAYTON AND SECONDED BY ADAM BARTLEY.

CHILD PROTECTION OFFICER – DOMINIQUE KENNETT, PROPOSED BY SAMANTHA SEAGER AND SECONDED BY JANE CLAYTON.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS – SAMANTHA SEAGER, PROPOSED BY JANE CLAYTON AND SECONDED BY DOMINIQUE KENNETT.

ALAN MACDONALD, PROPOSED BY KEITH SILK AND SECONDED BY DOMINIQUE KENNETT.

MIKE PETHICK, PROPOSED BY ADAM BARTLEY AND SECONDED BY KEITH SILK.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

JANE TO WRITE TO SIMON HARTLEY TO THANK HIM FOR HIS HELP AS CLUB CHAIRMAN FOR MANY YEARS.

JANE TO WRITE A "JOB DESCRIPTION" FOR THE NEW CLUB COMMITTEE POST OF CLUB CAPTAIN.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9PM



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR AGM APRIL 2014

Firstly thanks must be given to Mr Simon Hartley who has been the Chairman of Mallard fencing club for many years and has now retired from the post. The club has decided to make Simon a lifetime honorary club member as thanks for all he has done for the club over the years. A new club Chairman will be elected at this meeting.

Mallard has been doing very well over the last year, seeing increases in both the junior and senior sections. There have been some very good results from both sections and these results are listed separately.

Only 1 club competition was held this year, the junior event, as at the time, the number of adults was too low to make senior events viable, this hopefully will now change. However for the first time ever the club entered 2 teams into the Kent senior team foil championships and 1 team into the Kent senior epee team championships.

Over the last year, Mallard has been responsible for organising the Kent epee & sabre championships, and also the first ever Mallard junior challenge, for fencers from Mallard, Tenterden and Maidstone clubs.

Junior club members also became the authors and illustrators for a new book – The Flashing Blade – when Charlotte Firmin came to the club and spent a very enjoyable evening with them. The book was launched at a special evening at the Kings Hall when copies of the book could be purchased.

Mallard hosted an evening with a group of scouts from Sturry last year, when 17 of them came to the club to try fencing. They are coming back in June this year for another session. Club members have also helped to promote the club at events in the Herne Bay memorial park and Whitstable castle over the summer.

Jane Clayton has qualified to fence in the Veterans European team championships and the Veterans World championships by finishing 2nd in the British Veterans championships in both foil and epee.

2 club members were selected to fence in the Kent team for the Excalibur inter county tournament last May – Stuart Harris (Sabre) and Jane Clayton (foil) and both have again been selected for this year's event.

2 junior members have also qualified to fence in the British youth foil championships due to finishing 1st and 3rd in their respective South East qualifying events. Georgia Silk and Lucy Houlton.



CHAIRMANS REPORT FOR AGM APRIL 2014

All of the junior members have worked hard to achieve many more grades over the year.

We are fortunate to have the help of several people, who regularly give their time to the club and our thanks go to them - Ian Worthington, Keith Silk, Dominique Kennett and Jane Clayton for their help with coaching, Mike Pethick, for his help with the paperwork and being on the desk every week, Dominique Kennett for controlling the club finances, Emma Orton for her invaluable help as a volunteer, Richard Wyles for keeping all of the club equipment up to scratch and Keith Silk for his fantastic work on the club website. It is only because of the hard work of all of these people who give up hours of their time for the club that Mallard is developing into the successful club that we are now becoming.