



## MALLARD FENCING CLUB

AGM Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2009

### AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence.

Unfortunately, Simon Hartley, our chairman, was unable to attend due to ill health. We wish him a speedy recovery. In his stead, Richard Phillips chaired the AGM

2. Minutes of last AGM

The minutes of the last AGM were taken as read

3. Chairman report

Chairman's report is appended

4. Treasurer's report

Treasurer's report is appended. It was felt that the report was lacking in detail – this will be attended to.

5. Election of Committee:

The current committee was re-elected. In addition, to replace Lee Glendon as a member, Peter Ross was elected as a committee member

The Junior member/Captain will now be Alex Eager. The deputy will be Joanna Cornish

6. Any other business.

Mike Clayton was thanked for his work in creating a suitable space for keeping the club kit

Grant Dickenson had two comments:

- a. He was brilliant
- b. He thought the club should acknowledge the work done behind the scenes in keeping the club working.

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### CHAIRMANS REPORT

AGM JUNE 2009

At the end of 2008, Mallard was awarded "Clubmark" accreditation. This is a national award given to sports club that provide a safe and effective environment in which children can take part in sport. Mallard was only the 3<sup>rd</sup> fencing club in the country to be awarded Clubmark and everyone should be very proud of this achievement. The work does not stop with the award. Everyone must strive to keep up our standards and work to promote fencing in our local area.

Mallard now has 3 qualified coaches, with Dominique Kennett gaining her level 1 foil award. She now joins Jane Clayton, level 3 foil and level 1 epee coach, and Grant Dickenson level 2 sabre coach. Mallard now has qualified coaches covering all 3 weapons giving our members the opportunity to try all 3. Sabre has now become very popular within the club, thanks to Grant who has worked hard to develop his weapon.

Mallard has been fortunate to be awarded 3 grants over the year. The first from the Kent Youth Trust for £300 which was used to buy junior sabre equipment. The second from Pfizer of £1200 which bought equipment which will be used to promote fencing at taster sessions, and thirdly £1000 from Kent County Council, which bought equipment which is to be used to promote fencing on Kent School sites.

Club members held 2 demonstrations/taster sessions in August 2008 in Canterbury and Herne Bay and Jane held taster sessions at Canterbury High School, Herne Bay High School and Queen Elizabeths Grammar School Faversham.

- Club members have been active in local, county, national and international competitions. The 2008 club champions are: Foil – Simon Hartley, Epee – David Norman, Sabre – Simon (UKC) Junior foil – William Ross.
- The annual match against Tenterden was won by Mallard 34 victories to 28.
- The annual junior Mallard V Invicta championship was won by Lydia Fuller of Invicta with Joanne Cornish and William Ross = third.
- All 3 womens county titles are held by Mallard fencers. Rosie Burnham won the County sabre and Jane Clayton the foil and epee.
- Simon Hartley was 3<sup>rd</sup> in the County mens foil.
- Ned Suesat-Williams was 2<sup>nd</sup> in County U/16 sabre.
- Alex Taylor was 3<sup>rd</sup> in County U/16 foil.
- Joanne Cornish was 2<sup>nd</sup> in County U/14 foil, with Crystal Ferrett 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Georgia Harlow was 2<sup>nd</sup> in County U/12 foil.
- Rosie Burnham was 9<sup>th</sup> in National U/16 sabre.
- 3 Mallard fencers were selected for the Kent team for the Excalibur inter county championships. – Grant, Rosie and Jane.

- In the National Veterans age group championships, Jane was 1<sup>st</sup> in Epee and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Foil.
- In the National NVA championships – Jane was 2<sup>nd</sup> in Epee and 5<sup>th</sup> in foil.
- Both Jane and Dominique took part in the European Veterans championships in Hungary.
- Jane has been selected to fence for GB in both foil and epee in the World Veterans Championships in Moscow in September.

Mallard has also successfully organised 2 county competitions this season, the Kent 4 weapon team and the Kent senior Epee and Sabre.

In January of this year, our club equipment was damaged by a burst water pipe in our equipment cupboard. Our insurance company has now paid our claim and we have been able to replace most of the damaged kit. The cupboard is now being refurbished by Mike Clayton and on behalf of the committee I would like to extend our grateful thanks to him

I would also like to thank Peter Ross for his invaluable help every club night, manning the desk, freeing up Dominique and Jane for coaching and Richard Phillips for masterminding the club's website, which is one of the best fencing websites in the country.

Mallard has just completed its 25<sup>th</sup> year. It has been a successful year and we look forward to building on this success and working to promote the club and our sport of fencing.

END OF YEAR ACCOUNT MAY 2008 - APRIL 2009

| IN                      | OUT-GOINGS   |
|-------------------------|--|
| Evening Fees : £ 2976.5 | Hall Hire : £ 1981.50                                      |
| Membership : £ 1180     | Coach : £ 770  |
| Miscellaneous : £ 34.00 | Miscellaneous : £ 134.85<br>(stationary, food, prizes etc) |
| Grades : £ 36.00        | Grades : £ 90.00   |
| T-Shirt : £ 30.00       | T-Shirt : £ 30.80  |
|                         | Courses : £ 254.00   |
|                         | B.F.A Membership : £ 40                                    |
| <b>£ 4256.5</b>         | <b>£ 3301.15</b>   |
| <b>Club profits:</b>    | <b>£ 955.00</b>  |

**No equipment included again this year as most of equipment was financed via grant and purchased of equipment were for individual.**