## MINUTES OF THE HAVERING SPORTS COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON

## **TUESDAY 22nd October 2019**

Present: P Bruce P Kruzycki D Ainsworth J Hickie D Braiden S Wiltshire D Wiltshire K Heilbrunn J Sargeant M Wallace D Shewring R Cook D Breading P Collier E Collier A Curtin Cllr L Hawthorn

## 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from J Appleton, P Collins and L Gaskin.

## 2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 24th September 19 were proposed by P Bruce and seconded by Cllr I

Hawthorn.

## 3. Matters Arising from the previous meeting

The report for Everyone Active Havering Tennis Club stated that the men's team were promoted to Division 1 when they were actually placed 3 rd in Division 2. Also, after all results were in the mixed team were 2nd this year not 1 st.

## 4. Correspondence

Essex Playing Fields Association have sent us an invite to their AGM. We have received 1 new bursary application and Tapestry have contacted us regarding Health Initiatives in Havering and may give us a talk.

## 5. Membership Secretary's Report

We have received an enquiry from Romford Taekwondo Club.

# 6. Treasurer's Report

A report on current balances will be emailed as unavailable at the meeting. 8 Bursaries have been granted to school age competitors of £100.00 each. Some of the sports represented were Football and Athletics, some to previous recipients. A full list will be emailed. It is planned to get some of the recipients to come to the November meeting to have a photo opportunity for publicity purposes. The photos will be sent to Peter Streme the Editor of Living Magazine. The application process will be revamped slightly to make applying easier.

# 7. Information on forthcoming events and results of past events Havering Athletics Club

The cross country season got off to a strong start at the end of September when club teams won five medals – 2 gold, 2 silver and a bronze - at the Essex Cross Country relays. The senior men won their third successive gold and the Under 15 girls were the other winning team, with silvers for the Senior Mixed and Under 13 boys teams and a bronze for the Under 13 girls. The first of the five rounds of the Essex Cross Country League saw club teams win five age group categories: senior men, senior women, Under 13 boys, Under 15 boys & Country League Samp; Under 15 girls.

Club athletes were well to the fore at the recent inaugural Havering Half Marathon: Robbie Cooman was the overall winner, Barry Smith was third across the finish line to win the M40 category and John Whitehead was one place back for third male Under 40, while Morgan Campbell was 14 th overall and runner up in the female Under 40 category.

The club were runner up in the recent England Athletics London Region Volunteer Awards and Rachel Kerr was runner up in the Official of the Year category.

## Havering 90 Joggers/Parkrun

Our members have been very busy this month and have participated in races at home and internationally. 2 members ran the Chester Marathon, 1 member ran the Loch Ness Marathon, 86 members ran the Havering Half Marathon with one member taking overall second place, 2 members ran the Bournemouth Half marathon, 1 member ran the Chicago Marathon, 2 members ran the Cologne Marathon, 2 members ran the Royal Parks Half Marathon, 2 members ran the Oxford Half Marathon, 5 members ran the Tiptree 10 mile race, 46 members ran the Ingatestone 5 miles, 35 members ran the Leigh on Sea 10k race and 8 members swapped their running shoes for a wetsuit to swim in the 2 mile Serpentine swimming festival.

#### P Bruce

P Bruce and J Sargeant will be running tennis coaching and playing sessions in each school holiday at the YMCA for children with disabilities.

## **Upminster Hockey Club**

It is early on in the season. So far we have had a mixed bag of results all round, both men's and ladies. Fingers crossed for a significant improvement between now and Christmas. We did however have a very successful pre-season Curry Night and a Race Night which generated funds for the club.

## **Upminster Bowls Club**

Following our most successful season to date at National and County level the Green closed at the beginning of October with 43 members enjoying a mixed drive. Social roll ups have been well supported throughout the season with 20 to 30 players turning up each Tuesday and Thursday afternoon. 73 members attended our Awards Dinner last Friday evening when the seasons Internal Trophies were presented and the Bowling year will conclude tomorrow evening with our AGM. Winter walks have already commenced together with short mat bowls and monthly social afternoons for the Ladies Section. Next season one of our Members, Sandy Dron, will become President of the Essex County Bowling Association and one of our Lady members, Jennifer Spearman-Adkins will become Senior Vice-President of the Essex County.

## Women's Bowling Association.

## **SYM Sailing Club**

In November we have our Walter Chignell race series over 3 Sundays and our end of season/Christmas meal is on Sunday 1 st December at Top Meadow Golf Club.

## **Everyone Active Havering Tennis Club**

A presentation night was held recently which was attended by D Ainsworth. Thank you to Jordan' mum for the excellent buffet.

## LBH Sports development

Half Term & Dec period.

London Youth Games - Cross Country – Selections process underway after schools competition at Stubbers last week. Aquathlon & Cycling – Looking for a team manager for both of these competitions.

Youth Games colours – Black, White & Blue. Cricket trials to start in November.

J Sargeant noted that not all clubs put members forward for the LYG as it may seem difficult to participate. More could be done to promote to clubs.

Response - As and when trials are organized we will promote with Sports Council to ensure clubs are selecting participants to put forward.

Hornchurch Sports Centre - Good progress on the construction continues for the new Hornchurch Sports Centre.

Still on track for a September 2020 opening.

A request for statistics to see if sport participation is increasing in the borough was made by P Kruzycki and results are given below. Half Term Activity Stats Comparison from last year -

Easter 2018 - 339 Easter 2019 - 465 May 2018 - 153 ---- May 2019 - 263

Summer 2018 – 952 Summer 2019 - stats for 2019 are not completed yet but confident of an increase in participants. Will share when all finalized.

#### **Everyone Active**

Half term activities taking place this week, Archery and trampoline sessions went well. We also ran a Para

Movement to Music session for 5-25yr olds with additional needs which went really well and we are looking to run again in February half term. Cancer rehab started at Sapphire, referral via GP, Practice Nurse or Oncologist. Sport for Confidence project for adults with a disability, is due to start on 20th November with session delivery from Jan 2020.

Dementia exercise sessions in partnership with Havering Memory Service are going well. Trailed Girls Football sessions on Saturdays at Noak Hill Sports Complex including 2 weeks of free taster sessions, but no one attended, so we are reviewing this.

**HDSA/Broxhill Archers** 

Our Winter Leagues start in October. TIME FM broadcast a thank you for the donation from West Essex Archery

Club which was very helpful in replacing items lost in the break in.

**Hornchurch Cricket Club** 

A satisfactory season with the 1 st XI finishing 5 th in their League which qualifies them to enter the National Club

Competition for Season 2020. They were also finalists in the Shepherd Neame League Cup and Quarter Finalists

in the Conference Cup. The 2 nd XI won their League. The 3 rd XI and 5 th XI both finished in the top half and the 4 th XI

was 8 th . Of the 99 senior matches played 51 were won, 8 drawn, 2 Abandoned and 38 were lost. Runs scored – 18009, 9 Centuries and 22 times bowlers took 5 wickets in a game. 1 player scored 1083 runs.

Also two club batting partnerships were improved, the fourth wicket now standing at 323 runs.

On the junior front the U9's won 10 of their 12 matches and the U 11's won the 'Big Bash Tournament'.

The Club House was refurbished and reopened by Graham Gooch on Friday 2 nd August.

**Thames Chase** 

Many visitors during the summer have taken advantage of the dry ground to play cricket and other sports.

8. Newsletter/Website/Publicity

TIME FM now claims to have more listeners than the Romford Recorder. It is well worth sending in anything you

want promoted. There are now only the 3 media outlets in Havering. The Romford Recorder, The Havering Daily

and TIME FM. Tom Goldsmith of TIME FM has attended the Sports Awards evening for the last 3 years. 9. A.O.B.

The Awards night will take place on Monday 10 th February 2020 at Upminster Golf Club. The application deadline

is the 7 th January 20. Notices are being put up on our website and our social media channels. Lorna Waters –

Station Manager of TIME FM is to be contacted to promote the Sports Awards. All Trophies from previous winners

need to be returned so they can be engraved in time.

Last month's meeting was attended by L Fernie from Grangewaters Outdoor Adventure Centre and they have

expressed an interest in joining.

A talk will be given by Mike Brace CBE DL at Harold Hill Library at 11am on Tuesday 29 th October. He is a former

Paralympic Skier, social worker and leader of disabled charities. He was Chief Executive of Vision 2020 UK and

served as Chairman of the British Paralympic Association.

J Hickie Commodore of SYM Sailing Club based at Stubbers Adventure Centre, made the Sports Council

that the manager of Stubbers Adventure Centre, Bob Edwards has said that SYM Sailing Club and Havering Sailing Club also a member of the Sports Council must combine so there is one sailing provider. The Clubs have both been at Stubbers for over 35 years. They are quite different clubs sailing separately on Saturday and Sunday but are now taking steps to comply with this request by the deadline.

# 10. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 26 th November 19 at 8 pm.