

Ryedale Sports Club

Minutes of the 2019 AGM held on 24th November at 5pm,

Those Present: R Wilkinson (Chair), I Hutchison, R Williams, J Stott, J Wardman, W Bulmer, R Cosens, D Shaw, K Hill, P Hill, G Hutchison, C Stead, F Blanchard, A Blair, J Hurd, T Teasdale, M Carter. M Temple, J Gascoyne, A Kirkwood, M Askram, E Wardman (Secretary).

Apologies for Absence: J Ellis (President), C Sharples, K Sales, B Pickering, J S Ellis, M Wheatley, R Thorpe, D&M Wilson, V Worrel, J Barnitt, L Allerdyce.

Chairman's Address: R Wilkinson welcomed everyone to the Meeting and thanked them for attending. He then proceeded to give a resume of the actions undertaken by the Committee during the past year. These included – Kitchen refurbishment, complete with a new door as recommended for improved fire safety. Installation of a new cupboard in the home dressing room for Football Section storage – this in turn released the upstairs cupboard previously used, to allow archive storage. The Tennis Court outer fencing has undergone a decent overhaul. The building soffits have been repainted after doubtful sections were replaced. Attention has been given to the outside shed and the main stairs and balcony and the neighbourhood defibrillator has been sited on the outside wall of the table tennis room. He went on to say that the cost for such actions were covered by the fundraising activities of the Sports Sections who had all played their part and these actions enabled the Committee to keep the annual subscriptions at £40 per head.

Croquet	A Paper Quiz
Tennis	2 Quiz Nights
Table Tennis	Race Night
Football	Rounders/Gala Day

Thanks to others for their efforts mentioned Dave and Mrs Cowton for their work on the grounds which are commented as the best in the area. Non Committee helpers included Fred Blanchard who has painted nearly everything that is fixed down as well as many other small but valuable jobs. Recently, Football Assistant Manager and Committee Member Lee Allerdyce has agreed to apply his engineering skills to the maintenance of our two grass mowers, the cost of service of which continues to spiral excessively higher. From a similar source, the Football Manager has managed to encourage donations of several amounts for sponsorship of his team and while most has gone to that section the improvements add to the Club facilities and the teams success promotes all the Club activities.

He thanked our Auditor Richard Gray who always oversees the Club accounts but never takes a fee – he says he enjoys doing it and the Chairman said a bottle of whiskey will find it's way to him soon. Lastly, he mentioned the setbacks that two Committee members have faced, both the Treasurer (I Hutchison) and Vice Chairman (J Stott) have undergone major surgery in this current year. Both are back working for the Club with minimum disruption, with such dedication this Club can survive much.

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These had been placed on the Club website, there were no adverse comments and they were accepted unanimously. There were no outstanding actions.

Election of Officers: The President, J Ellis had sent his apologies but had agreed he was willing to stand again if re-elected. The Welfare Officer, D Shaw, had previously announced his intention to stand down from both Welfare and the Club Committee. All other Officers had agreed to continue if re-elected, some with more enthusiasm than others!

The Chairman then proposed we might vote all in en bloc but first asked if any one else would like to contest any office. There were no takers so he asked the floor to accept the current Committee and the vote was unanimous. He then asked if anyone was prepared to take on the Welfare Office – again there were no takers so he announced the position would be filled from within the Committee. From the en bloc vote, those returning to office are:

President	J Ellis
Chairman	R Wilkinson
Secretary	E Wardman
Treasurer	I Hutchison
Vice Chairman	J Stott
Welfare	Vacant

Other Committee members were reminded that they should seek re-election or replacement from their Section's AGM which all must hold. Table Tennis have been somewhat remiss, their meetings mostly concerning team selection. At the time of this meeting they did not have a Chairman and were asked to redress this omission. In the interval, J Stott has now agreed to be TT Chairman. Croquet need to replace D Shaw as one of their representatives at their next meeting.

The Chairman then called on the reports from the Secretary and Treasurer thanking them for their work during the past year.

Secretary's Report: E Wardman reported that work was ongoing to update the archives with R Cosens and that there was nothing else as all had been covered in the Chairman's Address.

Treasurer's Report : I Hutchison had prepared a handout for the meeting showing the Club to be in a good financial state at present. In answer to a question he reiterated the Chairman's comment that subscriptions are a small percentage of Club total expenditure and continuing fundraising will be necessary to keep the Club going. Subs raised £3700, fundraising and sponsorship brought in around £8000. Land Registry fees were a one-off, associated with a change to the Trustee group.

Questions from the Floor: A Blair asked about the TV Licence – the Chairman confirmed that it was not paid and the set in the room was not used except for replaying film for Race Night. The donor has been asked to remove it.

She also asked about the defibrillator and whether it needs overhaul. The Chairman replied that it was his responsibility and he will be doing regular checks to confirm it will be ready

for use if and when required. The pads are not reusable and must be replaced every two years at a cost of £40 if not used in that time.

J Gascoyne asked about the football set-up. It is called Ryedale Football Club to assist with the raising of sponsorship – it still falls within the control of Ryedale Sports Club and all know that. Over £4000 has been raised in that manner benefiting the Club by its vibrancy if nothing else. All has improved tremendously since the current Management team took over.

During a discussion on marketing and promoting Club awareness, it was noted that we don't have a board denoting who we are on-site. The old one was removed as the wood was rotten and the details were out of date. A Kirkwood suggested we get a plastic one and refit it. This was agreed as an action for the Committee to take forward.

There being no further questions or business, the Chairman declared the Meeting closed at 5-40pm.

Ed Wardman Secretary