

Gryphon Badminton Club Annual General Meeting Minutes

Thursday 31st July 2025

Present:

Robin Imms
Ian Day
Will Marks
Ian Begley
Jill Lackford
Ruth Swain

Mick Wicks
Celia Frear
Hany Omran
Aiden Carpenter
Patrick Diskin-Barr
Hilary Brocklehurst

Apologies:

Pam Goodwin
Lee Paine
Stuart Pilkington
Howard Frear
Jenny Smith
Andrew Begley

Welcome

- All attendees were welcomed to the meeting by the Chairman (ID) and thanked for their support to the club over the year

Chairman's Overview of the Previous Year

- An update of the current status of the Club including club night attendance, especially concerns of poor attendance on Fridays
- Plans for leagues this year
- A questionnaire will be sent to all club members regarding attendance and club night preferences (ID and RS)
- The full chairman's report can be found as an attachment to this document **Appendix 1**

Treasurer's Report

- The Treasurer (RI) shared his financial report from 1/7/24 to 30/6/25 and can be seen in full as an attachment, **Appendix 2**
- The club made an overall profit of £896, we gained this year with more people paying PAYG and less subs due to reduced overall attendance. As a result, 35 less tubes of shuttles were used in this quarter.
- There is a surplus of £796 of which £740 is stock of shuttles. We bought a large stock of shuttles while available at a cheaper price.

- Membership has been 26 paying subs per quarter, this has reduced to 20 over the summer, therefore reducing income.
- We aim to keep the surplus for now and review numbers of members next quarter.

Election of Officers

- **Chairman** – Ian Day (standing for re-election)
Nominated by HB, seconded by RS
 - ID will act as chairman for another year, but is finding it difficult with work constraints as is therefore giving 12 months notice to this role
- **Treasurer** – Robin Imms (standing for re-election)
Nominated by ID, seconded by HB
 - RI will continue in the role as Treasure for a further year, but may need to step down next year if unable to play
- **Secretary** – Hilary Brocklehurst (standing for re-election)
Nominated by RS, seconded by ID
- **Social / Event Representative** – Ruth Swain (standing for re-election)
Nominated by ID, seconded by HB
- **Non-League Representative 1** – Hany Omran (standing for re-election)
Nominated by RS, seconded by HB
- **Non-League Representative 2** – Jenny Smith (standing for re-election)
Nominated by ID, seconded by HO
- **Partnering Representative** – Will Marks (standing for re-election)
Nominated by ID, seconded by RS
 - Wessex Wanderers Club have now merged with The Gryphon club but this committee membership will remain.

RI suggested that information regarding committee member vacancies is sent out with the AGM minutes.

Club Constitution

- There are no changes to this, RS will re-date it on the Website

Use of Website, Playwaze, WhatsApp and Facebook

- The **FaceBook** account is to be closed down as not actually owned by Gryphon Badminton Club (RS)
- **WhatsApp** – The community group is not working properly, those joining the group are unable to see any previous messages or events. It was suggested that we have one public group for events and general chat and another group for the committee (RS)
- **Playwaze** – is good for recording club night attendance. It is important for people to book in advance, where possible, especially for Fridays to ensure that there are sufficient players to make a club night viable.
 - not all members receive the emails sent via Playwaze.
Hopefully, this can be resolved with the use of new WhatsApp group.
- A questionnaire (anonymous unless wishing to identify) will be sent out to all club members asking for their feedback. This will help the club to move forward in a way to suit the majority of players.
- **Website** – the website is working well and has brought in new players. This has covered the cost (£118) over the year.
PD-B stated that the club is shown as permanently closed on google maps – RS will update

Social Events

- **BBQ** – from 3pm on Saturday 16th August, All welcome
Ask RS or HB for details
- **Club Tournament** – Monday 13th October
- **Christmas meal** – Saturday 6th December, King's Arms, Thornford

Future dates for tournaments and social events will follow for next year