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| **Tuesday 19th July 2022 - AGM Minutes** The meeting is open to all members and parents not just current committee and coaches. Notification of this has been made via the club website.**Present:** Pete Evans, Alan McKenzie, Pat McKenzie, Linda Dark, Andy Labato, Adam Eley, Jamie Sayer, Simon Dark, Paul Maynard, Gail Richards**Apologies**: Jan Snookes, Angela Colley, Terri Doodson, Stuart Corbett, Pete Yarde**Previous Minutes were** circulated to all parties before today’s meeting and agreed to be an accurate record.***Matters arising****:* None**Reports:*** **Chair:** With no Chair this season the position has been rotated from meeting to meeting: this has worked as a short-term measure but is not a solution in the long run. This has been rectified with Paul Maynard becoming Chair-elect.
* **Secretary:**

Thank you to all involved at the club, coaches committee members and volunteers, all of whom have made it another successful season on and off the pitch. The club depends on the involvement, experience and expertise of these individuals. Everyone plays a big part in making the club a success. However, there is, as always, a need for ‘new blood’ at committee level as well as new coaches.As you will see from membership figures we had over 250 members last season, an increase on last season. This does not include mini kickers where average attendance was 20+. For the coming season we are looking for a coach for the under 8s.As you will see from the accounts we must thank various organization for their support via grants – Bideford Town council, Bridge Trust, Torridge District Council – all of which have been important when we need to make regular contributions to the Sink Fund (for Astro replacement) as well as normal running costs.It was good to get our Tournament up and running again, with 111 teams taking part over the weekend Everyone’s hard work resulted in a profit of nearly£ 6,500.The Astro had some major repairs and further repairs are ongoing. We have, however, begun a dialogue with the Football Foundation about replacing the Astro, subsurface and carpet.In June match was held in memory of Dave Hawkes, featuring several players from when Dave had been a coach with the club. It was fitting that the final, equalizing goal was scored by Dave’s son, Cathan. It was lovely to see Amy and family at Sandymere again.Thank you to Jamie for organizing another successful trip to Plymouth Argyle.Bideford Bridge Trust application completed and sent off. Club Affiliation with Devon FA completed.* **Treasurer:** A report was submitted to the group prior to our meeting along with a detailed verbal description (see attached for further details, along with Profit and Loss details).
* **Membership**:

We finished the year with 257 members consisting of 239 boys and 18 girls. 155 paid by BACS, the rest using cash and cheques. Children attending mini kickers do not complete membership forms and just pay whenever they attend a session. During the season just over 40 boys and girls have given it a go with attendance varying between 18 and 30 depending on the weather and time of the year. Thanks to Pete for running these sessions He is very grateful to all those who help him including youngsters from U13s, U14s and U15s. Hopefully several children from this group will carry on to full membership with the U8s.* **Welfare Officer** - No report submitted. Pete suggested it had been a calmer season than previous years and hopes this will continue.

**Additional optional reports: -*** **Astro hire - This** year an income of £15,370 was received. Along with membership fees this is an essential part of club income. The committee would like to thank Pete Yarde for all his support with the booking of the Astro.
* **Grounds maintenance** – Netting is being looked into regarding the bottom pitch to withstand high winds. An estimate of £15,000 has been received this includes the parts and labour. The committee have agreed to fund this and will start within the next couple of weeks so this is ready before the next season. Need to look into a sustainable irrigation water supply to feed the bottom pitch which is eco-friendly. The committee would like to thank Alan Mckenzie for all his work around maintenance, going far beyond just ‘looking after the pitches.’
* **Procurement –** GR looking for a decision regarding KIT for this season. Simon has met with all coaches and has collected a list of equipment etc. that is required for next season. This season we need to keep to the same kit and coaches will need to secure a sponsor and the club will support a % . Some teams will need spare tops as numbers are duplicated – suggested numbering should be in the 30s.
* **Proposals to the committee**: That membership fee increase to £65 and £45 for sibling for the coming season with a view to increasing to £85 for following season. Proposed: Gail, seconded: Committee. **Agreed**
* **Discussion i.** Under 8s for coming season – we currently do not have a coach to support this group. Advertise for a coach and write to the parents to explain there could be a risk of this group folding.

ii. Simon Dark will set up a Blues e-mail address for the club.**Constitution changes**: none received**Election of Officers:** * Chair: Paul Maynard Proposed Pete Evans, seconded Pat Mckenzie Paul was duly voted in
* Vice Chair: Alan McKenzie
* Treasurer: Janet Snookes
* Secretary: Peter Evans
* Welfare officer(s): Angela Colley with Simon Dark keeping in communication.
* Membership Secretary: Linda Dark

Apart from the Chair, the above were proposed en bloc by Paul Maynard, seconded Pat Mckenzie and duly voted in.Note that our constitution says that no single person should hold more than two of the above posts.**Appointment of additional Officers (can be appointed rather than elected): Note that some of these are optional, depending on volunteers.**

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| * Respect coordinator: General committee
* Girls’ football coordinator: Simon Dark supporting Neil Harris
* Astro hire: Pete Yarde
* Hiring of grass pitches: via Skedda, procedures to discuss at first committee meeting.
* Digital communications including website and Facebook: Simon Dark/Paul Maynard
* DBS Officer: Dave Prouse
* Ground/maintenance: Alan McKenzie
* Procurement: Gail Richards
* Minute Secretary: Pat McKenzie
* Fund raising: Pat McKenzie
* Assistant Secretary: Stuart Corbett
* Tournament coordinator: tbc
 | * Volunteer co-ordinator: All coaches to seek volunteers within their groups to support events / activities including covering kitchen and input from committee members to support outside of group activities.
* Coach coordinator(s): Simon Dark
* Coaching development officer: Simon Dark
* Park Utd rep to committee: Adam Eley
* Sandymere Blues FC rep to committee: Stuart Corbett
* Player recruitment and trips officer: Jamie Sayer
* Referee coordinator: Jamie Sayer

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**Proposals: (note that our constitution currently allows for, in addition to six named roles, up to eleven other elected members**)

Monday 15th August teams recommence training.

It was decided to have committee meetings every two months rather than monthly. Any interim meetims could be via zoom.

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| **Dates of upcoming committee meetings** | **Dates of upcoming coaches’ meetings** |
| Wednesday 31st August 2022  | 2nd December followed by Christmas get to together (with committee) |
| Monday 17th October 2022 | Wednesday 1st March 2023 (St David’s Day!) |
| Friday 2nd December followed by Christmas get to together (with coaches) | Wednesday 24th May 2023 |
| Wednesday 1st February 2023 |  |
| Monday 3rd April 2023 – Tournament  |  |