

SEMLA
Annual General Meeting
Minutes
Monday 11th June 2007

Present in London:

Trevor Rogers (President)	Peter Mundy (Cent & Croydon)
John Maynard (VP)	Barbara Rogers (Hon. Secretary)
Roger Okill (Centurions)	Adam Crowe (Referees)
Ian Ballantine (South Manager)	Dan Keeley (Brighton)
Simon Peach (Referees)	Andrew Fernando (Univ London/Universities)
Rob Collinge (Walcountian Blues)	Amit Biswas (Walcountian Blues)
Peter Barrett (Croydon)	Michael Murphy (Buckhurst Hill)
Peter Compton (Spencer)	

Present via audio-conference:

Jon Cooper (Southampton Univ)	Rob Gooch (Spencer)
Will Barrett (Cardiff Harlequins)	Miles Whittle (Hon Treasurer)
Steve Cattle (Walcountian Blues)	

1. Apologies for absence

East Coast	Gloucester
East Grinstead	

2. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting

Minutes accepted and signed.

3. Matters arising

No matters arising.

4. President's Report

Trevor Rogers presented his report, previously circulated and attached. The report was accepted and the President received a vote of thanks from the Committee.

5. Secretary's Report

Barbara Rogers presented her report:

I have attended all the meetings and produced the minutes!

The report was accepted and the Secretary received a vote of thanks from the committee.

6. Treasurer's Report

Miles Whittle presented his report, previously circulated and attached. The report was accepted and the Treasurer received a vote of thanks from the committee.

7. Officer's Reports

a) Fixture Secretary

Jon Cooper presented his report, previously circulated and attached. The report was accepted and the Fixtures Secretary received a vote of thanks from the committee.

b) South Manager

Ian Ballantine presented his report.

The South competed in the British Nationals and came 7th. The Development Squad has been created. New kit has been purchased. Ian thanked everyone who has helped, especially Chris White.

The report was accepted and the South Manager received a vote of thanks from the committee.

c) ELA/MPC Liaison

John Maynard presented his report:

All four MPC meetings had been attended. The U16 dispensation matter had been dealt with. The University Audit is slowly being done by the ELA. The replacement for the South RDO is in progress. Following the Stockport request, the committee agreed that the ELA should give clear guidelines to the clubs re equity in lacrosse.

The report was accepted and the Liaison Officer received a vote of thanks from the committee.

d) Referees

Simon Peach presented his report, previously circulated and attached.

The report was accepted and the Referees Secretary received a vote of thanks from the committee.

8. Election of Officers

a) President

Trevor Rogers re-elected after agreeing to stand again.

b) Vice Presidents

John Maynard re-elected after agreeing to stand again.

Peter Compton elected.

c) Hon. Secretary

Barbara Rogers re-elected after agreeing to stand again.

d) Hon Treasurer

Miles Whittle re-elected after agreeing to stand again.

e) Fixture Secretary

Jon Cooper re-elected after agreeing to stand again.

f) Referees Secretary

Simon Peach re-elected after agreeing to stand again.

g) Junior Development Chair

Ray Nash elected.

h) South Manager

Ian Ballantine re-elected after agreeing to stand again.

i) ELA/MPC Liaison

John Maynard re-elected after agreeing to stand again.

Andrew Fernando re-elected after agreeing to stand again.

j) University Liaison

Dan Keeley elected.

9. Any Other Business

- a) Nine new clubs and/or teams were unanimously accepted into the SEMLA League:

1. *Bristol City*
2. *Brighton Panthers*
3. *Cardiff Harlequins*
4. *Swansea Hawks 2nd*
5. *Southampton A*
6. *Spencer 2*
7. *Reading Wildcats 2nd*
8. *Royal Navy*
9. *Staffordshire*

- a) Proposal to introduce an entry fee for the Senior Flags and the Junior Flags Tournament in order to raise funds to pay referees for Flags Finals and other SEMLA events.

The proposal was accepted as amended:

'The Executive Committee shall set an entry fee for the Senior and Junior Flags Competitions. The entry fee shall be per team and may be varied as required by notification to the Clubs. Payment of the entry fee shall be made directly to the SEMLA Treasurer before the first round of the Flags Competitions. Failure to make the payment shall result in the Club being excluded from the competition. Clubs not wishing to participate in the Senior Competition must notify the Hon. Secretary, Fixtures and Competitions, in writing before the fixture schedule is completed and issued. Clubs participating in the one day Junior Flags Tournament shall be invoiced by the SEMLA Treasurer after the event'

N.B. There was a loooong discussion about the format of the league next season, and who plays where. The results will be circulated asap in a much clearer format than I could come up with.

- b) www.southlacrosse.org.uk will have the details of all the clubs. The committee agreed that Dave Slaughter did a tremendous job, and he received a vote of thanks.
- c) The next season will start on 1st October 2007, and the new fixture list will be sent out as soon as possible. Please check this when it is received so that any errors can be corrected immediately.

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The next monthly SEMLA meeting will be held on 3rd September 2007.