



ACTION POINTS

MEETING NAME	Regional Young Umpiring Action Group	HELD AT	The Netball Centre, Loughborough University
LEAD	John Litchfield (JL)	NOTE TAKER	Elaina Leithead (EL)
DATE	18 Jan 2010	START TIME END TIME	19.00 21.00
PRESENT	Alex Davies (AD), Sally Davies (SD), Saul Shohet (SS), Margaret McLoughlin (MM), Steve Tabb (ST), Marc Abraham (MA)		
CIRCULATION	Kevin Freeman (KF), Emma Hewitt (EH), Kate Gutteridge (KG), Nisar Chaudhry (NC), Jane Nockolds (JN), Pat Colledge (PC)		

MINUTES

TOPIC	ACTION	
1	<p>Apologies Pat Colledge, Nisar Chaudhry, Kate Gutteridge</p>	
2	<p>Ratification It was put to the committee that as Dave Fellows had resigned from the group that Marc Abraham replaced him. All in favour. JL welcomed Marc to the meeting and to the group.</p>	
3	<p>Minutes of the meeting 5th October 2009 The minutes of the meeting were agreed and signed as a true record. Action Points not covered on the agenda; Log book – MM to speak with EL regarding pages to go onto website All young umpires have now been made aware of the new BACS payment system HiPAC umpires – we sent a total of 3 – Ruth Collings and Vicki Smith to the U17 at Leeds and Alex Davies to Lilleshall. All feedback received for all 3 – and all did very well. Alex reported that they did a lot of fitness and then some classroom work involving watching video clips and answering questions around them. On the final day they umpired games. – A very good and enjoyable experience. It was agreed by all that we should support nominations of young umpires to future HiPAC events. Futures Cup – Ben Mills, Kevin Freeman and Matthew Lomax umpired at the boys and Vicki Smith, Annie Allum, Alex Bandurak, Adam Wheeler, Sarah Collings all umpired at the girls event – a good representation on behalf of the Midlands. Young Umpires issuing cards – Now SD is on the road to recovery she will start looking into the coaching night. SD will liaise with JL and EL as and when ready.</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>SD</p>
4	<p>Finance Update Review of current financial position - £145.00 in expenses yet to be paid out on umpire travel. £2945.48 currently in the account. Updates on grant applications – ST not managed to do much. Has received paperwork and contract from Sports Structures Support – they basically help us with grant applications and receive a 10% fee from us on any grants they have advised us to try for or have assisted us in gaining. Payment must be paid to them within 5 days of us receiving any grant money. All were in agreement that we should go ahead. ST and JL to complete and send off paperwork/contract. Awards for All has been replaced by Small Grants.</p>	<p>ST/JL</p>

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	<p>Progress with Internet Banking – all up and running – currently more adults have signed up to the system than young umpires – saves SS a huge amount of work.</p> <p>England Hockey Grant and update on response from MRHA - Money of £500.00 received from England Hockey and £875.00 received from MRHA</p>	
5	<p>CRB Checks</p> <p>JL referred to a paper he had received from Alison Hogg in March 09 stating that any person under 18 did not need to be CRB checked. However since then information has been received that any young umpire aged 16 or over must be CRB checked if they wish to umpire at HiPACS or Futures Cup. EL had discussed the issue with Alison Hogg and in the interim she recommended that until the issues was sorted that if we had any young umpire 16 or over who would be nominated for any of these competitions that we should CRB them with Umpire in the 'role' box on the form.</p> <p>We currently have 50 people checked for CRB with 9 people shortly coming up for renewal. Where possible we will use the portability system as a number of the people for renewal are checked via other organisations under the England Hockey umbrella.</p>	JL
6	<p>Umpiring Opportunities for young umpires season 09/10</p> <p>Background – our main push for this season was to get our 'A' panel members up to level status. The current position is;</p> <p>Kate Gutteridge – being assessed on 27/1</p> <p>Ed Westbrook – recently passed</p> <p>Matt Lomax – Gained Level 2 with the North. Graded M3 by Midlands.</p> <p>Jonathon Oldham – Appointed to Level 2 game 14/2. Possible Assessment</p> <p>Adam Wheeler – being assessed 6/2</p> <p>Alex Davies – currently playing and not umpiring.</p> <p>Tom Cheevers – Appointed to Level 2 game 28/2. Possible Assessment</p> <p>Tom Swain – nothing to date – very little availability</p> <p>We are short on young umpires coming into the system and this is an area we really need to work on.</p> <p>JAC's – Sue Williams has sent out a proposal to Counties – this is being discussed at the Junior Performance Group (meeting this evening) ST has a copy of the proposals and will forward a copy to all.</p> <p>Schools Cup – This is a knockout competition through pools – final days are on Mon 15th March – U14, Mon 8th March – U16, Fri 19th March – U18 all to be held at Cannock. We could possibly approach college or university students to see if they are available to umpire. MM and JL to investigate further.</p> <p>Club Cup - The first year for this competition and ST recommended that perhaps we do not appoint umpires to it until the format etc is set up and any potential issues 'ironed out'. All in agreement.</p> <p>Umpires for the Challenge tournament – this is now on 2nd May at Birmingham University</p>	<p>ST</p> <p>MM/JL</p>
7	<p>Report from National YUAG</p> <p>The pathway to get to the NYUPL was discussed and re-drafted.</p> <p>Also an 'operating procedures' was circulated in an attempt to get all RYUAGs operating the same way. MM has looked through the document and was pleased to report that we do most of the required. MM to send a copy of the procedures out to all – MA reported that when it was discussed at the meeting that Midlands and South RYUAGs were leading the way and ahead of other regions – pat on the back to all!</p> <p>Nominations from MRYUAG for NYUPL due 25/1/10 – After discussion it was agreed by all that Tom Cheevers, Tom Swain and Ed Westbrook would be put forward – MM to communicate with all 3 and complete paperwork. ST to talk to Tom Cheevers on an informal basis to encourage and give confidence to.</p> <p>Nominations for HiPAC – Decided we would wait between now and April to see what develops.</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>MM ST</p>
8	<p>Development of County YUAGs</p> <p>JL has contacted all Counties and received very little response. ST reported that he has 5 young umpires in Warwickshire, details of which he will forward to MM. Also reported that he had been in contact with Ken Buckley from Worcestershire who may have a few young umpires – main concern from young people is that they cannot continue to play and umpire. ST</p>	ST

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	<p>assured Ken Buckley that this was not the case. MM had received information from Jenny Redford in Shropshire that she had a couple of young people. MM to communicate further with Jenny.</p> <p>Staffordshire JDC to JAC selection 10 January – this was cancelled due to the weather. Different age groups will now be at different venues. SD reported that she was looking for young umpires for the Nott's U13 girls – possibilities of Sophie Chambers, Jake Burns, Ed Westbrook, Luke Burns, James Barnes –all contact details on the website which SD can access. Once date is set SD to forward to JL/MM who will see if they can appoint a coach to go and assist the young umpires.</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>SD</p>
9	<p>Review of Membership List and MYUPL Panels No other changes to the list Membership – Hugh Kenney-Herbert and Sophie Chambers were added to the membership list.</p>	<p>MM</p>
10	<p>Any Other Business Review of shirt stock – Committee shirts – EL to try and contact Paul Floyd again for prices of blue membership shirts. MYUPL shirts – 2 x XL, 4 x L, 5 x M, 4 x S James Barnes has requested a bigger shirt as he has outgrown his. It was agreed that he could have a larger size and pay £7.50 (shirt cost is £15.00) and return his old shirt back to us. This way if anybody requested a different sized shirt but could not afford the £7.50 they could have the second hand” shirt FOC. MM to follow up with James. Women’s Champions Trophy – KG has completed the flyer but until we receive further information on details i.e. what time we can have a classroom etc we can not put any further details on the flyer – MM to investigate further with Jo Duff</p>	<p>EL</p> <p>MM</p> <p>MM</p>
11	<p>Date and Venue of Next Meeting 29th March at Loughborough University (Hockey Pavilion?) MM to speak with Jerome Goudie re usage of room as Loughborough Ladies 1st XI have it booked out. If not Loughborough then possibility of Lichfield HC – will be communicated with all at a later date.</p>	<p>MM/EL</p>