

South West Lacrosse Committee Meeting Minutes

17-June-2014

In attendance: Clare Stoot, Michelle Bray, Erin Clare Cassidy, Justine Mackenzie,

Helen Murray

1. Apologies: David Abini, Sally Keogh, Matthew Gurd
2. Minutes of last meeting- approved
3. **South West Senior League**
 - a. Venues- Westonbirt, Cheltenham Ladies College booked. H Marvin possibly arranging pitches for hire at St Mary's Calne for the tournament on the 8th, other venues tbc.
 - b. Costs for pitch hire at Westonbirt have increased to £300
 - c. Invitational teams - any team from anywhere who wants to play. How much to charge to enter- £30. How will we advertise- be selective and actually invite teams? May be difficult. Give dates and if interested contact HM. Send out through WPC, ELA etc.
 - d. Invitations to sponsor tournaments, send through to HM
4. **Senior Regionals**
 - a. Very difficult to find coaches this year - Sally Keogh found organising "a big headache", players said no one was notified of trial dates in time
 - b. 2014-2014 season: regional coaching trials - 6-7th Dec; 14th Dec backup date; 11th January regional training; 14-15th March regional tournaments.
 - c. Juniors and Seniors tournament is to be combined. Have juniors and seniors together for training? A 3rd training day to have a few weeks before the tourney? JM* to see if we can get another date. *MB to send these dates to Caroline Royal at HO.
 - d. Coaches - last meeting it was mentioned that there needed to be more of a link between academy and regionals but WPC declared there does not need to be a link. Advertise for junior and senior coaches
 - e. Communication – will go on Facebook but *SK also to send out this season's dates to email list of all trialists/players from last year who do not bother to look on SW Facebook page. SK also to find new co-ordinator for SW seniors this year.
 - f. Charges- in line with juniors. £10 per trialist.
5. **Junior Regionals**
 - a. Training dates- *JM to coordinate.
 - b. Coaches - How do we make it fair so the people who want to coach can coach? Put it on ELA website. Start now with process given by Paul Coups? Keep with 4 coaches, if we can't get 4 then go with 3 coach/manager. Stipulate who is A and who is B. roughly £500 for those 4 people, or money to be allocated. MB to do a SW version to send to schools. Would have to be available for November tournament. Give people a deadline for middle of September. Going with Paul's idea. Deadline = Friday 12th September. Communicate by Facebook. *JM will email out. ELA website.
 - c. Charges - charge £10 all in or per training? *JM will find out.

6. Development Spending

- a. Have roughly £6000 in bank account but new WPC funding guidelines suggest. Need money set aside for juniors as well. See how we go this year, people can suggest how we use I regional training and trials should be self-financing while league costs will be supported by ELA. Future income sources unclear, so need to be conservative.

7. Publicity- web/ Facebook

- a. MB and HM need to be more active on it. *JM needs to be able to put stuff on for juniors. *HM to add JM to it.
- b. HM seeing Giles next week to get the key for the site. JM can send out website to schools and contacts.

8. AOB

- a. CS - MG is finding accounts very time consuming, what can we do to help this? Get paid for meetings annually as opposed to each meeting you go to. Have deadlines for things, so it's not just all the time whenever. We may need to put it out that we need a treasurer. Maybe someone to deal with paperwork and MG just authorizes payments. Try to minimize for the meantime and then find someone else.
- b. Next year will mark three years since the dissolution of the territories and the foundation of the regions - we need new committee members, especially a new chairman as MB definitely to retire.
- c. JM to advertise to schools if anyone wants to be on the committee, especially since RG stepped down.

9. Date of next meeting

- a. November 11th 2014.