

**MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD AT THE BOATHOUSE AT 8PM ON
5th DECEMBER 2000**

Present: A J Morriss President
 C J Blakeway Chairman of the Management Committee
 J Tong Treasurer
 C Boothroyd Secretary
 P Moss Captain

and 17 members as per attached list.

At the request of the Chairman The Secretary read the Notice calling the Meeting

1.0 Apologies: M Downing, R Coles, A Coles.

2.0 The minutes of the AGM held on the 7th December 1999 were approved.

3.0 Treasurers Report

Copies of the Audited Accounts for the year ending 31st August 1999 and the Management Accounts for the period ending 30th August 2000 were issued at the meeting.

The 1999 accounts whilst audited had yet to be signed by the Auditor. The Treasurer asked the meeting to note the strong cash position of the Club, it was noted that the value for creditors in 1999 was significantly higher due to correction of previous under payments of monies due to the Henley Council. Whilst the merchandising account showed an improved position on 1998 it had still suffered a loss due to the poor sales of the 160th anniversary commemorative polo shirts. Expenditure on regatta entry fees had increased due the Clubs continued support of its members who attained selection for England and/or Great Britain and increased entries at Henley Woman's Regatta and Henley Royal Regatta.

It was proposed by Roy Spatcher and seconded by Ann Bushnell that the meeting accept the 1999 audited accounts but with the proviso that that they would be represented to the Club should there be any changes when signed by the Auditor.

The Clubs financial position as represented in the Management accounts for 2000 was noted by the meeting. It was agreed that the audited 2000 accounts would be presented to the Club at the next appropriate meeting. The treasurer noted that due to the size of the Club it was now virtually impossible to produce audited accounts within the timescale set by the Constitution and which was far shorter than expected of any company. Mr Ian Pankhurst suggested that the Committee should review the requirements of the Constitution.

A vote of thanks was extended to the Treasurer.

4.0 Captains Report

The Secretary advised that a report had not been issued by the previous Captain, he would however endeavour to obtain a written report for the Club records.

5.0 Election of President

At this point the President handed the Chairmanship of the meeting to Mr C. J Blakeway.

Mr Blakeway thanked Mr Morriss for his support of the Club during the year and was pleased to be able to nominate him for President for the forth coming year This was seconded
Seconded by C Boothroyd.

Accepted unanimously – after which Mr Morriss took the chair.

6.0 Election of Officers

C J Blakeway was nominated for Chairman to serve for a period of one year.

Proposed by R Spatcher
Seconded by R Stephens

Accepted unanimously.

C Boothroyd advised that due to other commitments to the Club he was not prepared to accept the nomination for Secretary and had previously advised the Committee that they should find a replacement. Until such time as a replacement could be elected he would continue in the role.

The Treasurer J Tong was elected in 1998 to serve for a period of three years. Having indicated his willingness to remain in office there is no requirement for re election at this AGM.

7.0 Election of Committee

The following were proposed for the committee to serve for a period of three years.

Mr S Alvey

Proposed P Moss
Seconded Sally Colson

Ms C Hocking

Proposed P Moss
Seconded N Barras

Mr K Horne

Proposed H Davis
Seconded M Tearle

M C N Jones

Proposed C Boothroyd
Seconded C J Blakeway

Accepted unanimously

Existing Committee members previously elected to serve for three years P Knowles (98); N Snell (99); R Spatcher (99); V Spatcher (99).

The Chairman noted the retirement from the Committee of Ian Pankhurst and noted the efforts that Ian had made on the clubs behalf over 30 years and asked that the meeting extend a vote of thanks.

8.0 Approval of the Three Year Plan

As a new three-year plan was not available it was proposed that a new three-year plan be resubmitted to the membership within the first quarter of next year. This was proposed by A J Morris and Seconded by C Boothroyd.

Accepted by a Majority with no one against.

9.0 Approval Of Trustees

No amendments to the Trustees were proposed. These remain A Morriss, I Pankhurst, A C Denham.

10.0 Appointment of Auditors for 97/98

The Treasurer proposed the reappointment of Alan Druce, this was seconded by C J Blakeway.

Accepted unanimously

11.0 Amendments to Constitution and Rules

The Secretary noted that at last years AGM the amendments suggested by the ARA to the Club Constitution in respect of Child Protection had been deferred subject to clarification of the term "day to day". This clarification had now been received from the ARA and was acceptable to the Committee. The Secretary therefore proposed seconded by C J Blakeway that the following amendment be made to the Clubs Constitution and Rules:-

"The Management Committee shall appoint:-

- i) A Junior Organiser who has gained one of the ARA's Coaching Awards to be responsible for the club's Juniors on a day-today basis.
- ii) A separate and senior "person in charge" to whom concerns or allegations regarding inappropriate treatment of Juniors may be made. It will be his/her duty to understand the requirements of the ARA's Child Protection Procedures and to act on them as necessary. He/she must also ensure that there is a well established complaints procedure and that parents and children have the relevant information and thus easy access to it."

Accepted unanimously

Meeting Closed 8:55

C Boothroyd
Honorary Secretary.

C J Blakeway
Chairman