

OPEN UNIVERSITY BADMINTON CLUB AGM

MONDAY 10TH JULY 2017 7pm

Present:

Mike Davis, Julia Wilson, Colin Gover, Simona Nicoara, Michael Davey, John Ho, Maria Robinson

Apologies:

None

Minutes of the 2016 AGM

The minutes were accepted without change.

Chair's report

Written report by Mike Davis

Treasurer's report

Written report by Simona Nicoara

Captain's report

A verbal report from Julia Wilson, Mixed A Team Captain 2016/2017 season.

The season started off ok, but with re-arrangements we only played a few matches and didn't secure any wins. However, in January I broke my toe quite badly and had to make the decision that I was unable to play for the rest of the season. As we already had no reserve ladies in the team I sadly took the decision to withdraw the team for the rest of the season. I would like to thank the team members: Mike Davis, Colin Gover & Gill Williams for their patience during this time. I see little hope of putting a team in for the 2017/2018 season.

Membership fees

Simone proposed that we keep the fees the same for the coming season. Mike pointed out that we would need to find out if the OU Club would prefer us to be affiliated to the BA of E (for liability insurance purposes) in view of not having any teams in the league. There is an option to run the Club as a purely friendly only Club, however, the insurance issue will need to be clarified. Mike also suggested that the Club may decide to revert to plastic shuttles, and pick up some Friday evenings for extra Club nights. These are all things for the new committee to consider.

Team entries

As per Julia Wilson's team report, the decision was taken not to submit a team for the next season.

Committee posts

Chair – Michael Davey

Treasurer – Simona Nicoara

Secretary – Mike Davis

Michael Davey was elected unanimously to the post of Club Chair, and Mike Davis was elected unanimously to the post of Club Secretary. Simona Nicoara will continue in the role of Club Treasurer.

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Julia thanked Mike and Simona for all their hard work on behalf of the Club, especially Mike for all the work as match secretary. Mike thanked all the people who had been involved in the committee during his time as Chair.

Meeting closed 7.40pm

OU Badminton Club: Chair's Report 2016-17

Another fairly consistent year overall. We've had a slight increase in membership, and club nights have remained well attended throughout the year. We are unfortunate to be losing access to the Hub Theatre over the summer, but we should be back in time for September.

We were only able to enter a four-person Medley team this season, and had to withdraw halfway through the year due to injury. We will need to decide whether we are able to continue to enter the local leagues or if we want to continue as a less formal "club night only" club. This may further have a bearing on how the club is run and managed – we may no longer need to associate with the district or national organisations, and may be able to offer more frequent but smaller sessions.

After seven years as Chair (and four as Treasurer), and with the prospect of big changes ahead, I have decided to step down from management of the Club. I would like to thank everyone involved in the committee during that time, and to offer my best wishes to those taking the Club into the future.

Mike Davis
Chair, Open University Badminton Club

OU Badminton Club: Treasurer Report 2016-17

During this year, we had 33 contributing members, 4 people more than last year's 29. In the beginning of this season (2016/17), we have set the following annual membership fees, kept unchanged from the previous season:

1. Full member, OU employee: 35 £
2. Associate member: 40 £
3. Student or retired: 30 £

We maintained the £2.00 pounds for visitor per club night, £1.00 away and home match. There were in total 21 participations to individual sessions, hence, totalling 42 £: (a) 14 £ (= 2 x 7 sessions) were paid in the OUBC account, by the chair, Mike Davis, and (b) 28 £ (= 2 x 14 sessions) by the treasurer, Simona Nicoara.

The bank balance to start with, was 1491.59 £ on 29.09.2016.

The total income for this season was 1157 £.

In the season 2016-2017 there was no financial support from the OU Club grants.

The total expenditure for this season was 1384.30 £, consisting of:

- 697.80 £ paid to Max-Sports for 50 tubes of shuttles
- 592.5 £ paid to Badminton England
- 79 £ paid to Badminton England
- 15 £ paid to League entry

The bank balance was of 1264.26 £ on 5th of April 2017.

We benefitted from 37 extra tubes with shuttles that were left from the 2015-2016 season. The summary of income and expenses for the last four seasons are provided on the next page. The financial conditions are similar to those at the end of last season, although we did not benefit of any grant support from The OU Club, during the season 01.08.2016-31.07.2017. We currently have left quite a few shuttles (58 tubes) in reserve for the new season, estimated to last until the end of February 2017.

Given the current situation, probably the membership fee for the upcoming season does not have to increase for the coming season. During this AGM meeting, participating members may decide whether the fees should be changed or kept as they are.

Finally, I would like to thank every member for so promptly paying the membership fees, this year even quicker than in the previous season, so that there was no stress regarding the financial support for purchasing the shuttles, or to pay for the participation to competitions within the league. Also, I am grateful to everyone involved in smoothly running the club activity, to every member, taking care that the playing hall is left as it was received on every Monday evening.

Simona Nicoara

Treasurer, Open University Badminton Club

10.07.2017

