



Cheshire Association of Groundsmen

Chairman

Andrew Horsfield

Secretary

(vacant)

Treasurer

Dave Twiney

CAG 2023 AGM 13/Nov/23 Timperley CC

Apologies: Chris Burnett, Jon Broadbottom, Mick Burton, Andy Holt, Brian Birtles, Paul Fairclough, Bren Connolly, Eugene Last, Ian Barber, Adam Davies, Duncan Henshall, Andrew Jackson, Mark Samaru

Present: Andy Horsfield, Dave Twiney, Stan Aspinall, Mike Cook, Pete Kenyon, Iain Harrop

Last Meeting Minutes:

Were accepted

Chairman's Report:

Andy thanked the county's groundsmen for their work in a difficult year. CAG had run a number of courses during the year which were mainly well attended – especially a couple of mid season evening sessions. A groundsman's Whatsapp group had been established and was proving useful. Andy has completed a Development plan for the next 3 years which was being reviewed with the CCB.

Andy hopes to arrange a visit to a workshop to learn the intricacies of mower blade regrinding.

Secretary and Treasurer's Report:

Dave said the one public meeting of the year had been the talk given by Andy McKay (ECB pitch inspector) at Sale CC . Attendance was disappointing.

We have £7,647.93 in the bank. The committee are reviewing our membership fee but decided to make no change until the cost of implementing Pitchpower is clear.

Election of Officers:-

There are still vacancies for Vice-Chair and Secretary. Dave will produce job descriptions and circulate. Subsequent to the meeting Richard Cragg has agreed to take on the honorary role of Vice Chair.

Any Other Business:-

Contact List – Stan is building a list based on League handbooks and input from the CCB

Pitchpower – Andy said the ECB are pushing the package developers to complete the application for start of 2024 season. CAG will liase with the GMA and CCB to set up education for clubs and leagues.

Vandalised Clubs – Stan and Mike felt that reported damage was not as bad as the clubs had claimed so no immediate action for CAG

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