

# **Minutes of Newent Judo Club AGM**

## **Held at Newent Leisure Centre 6.50 pm 24/02/2017**



### **Attendees:**

Bryan Butler (BB), Gary O'Connell (GO), Chris Giglio (CG),  
Elaine Albrow (EA), Rachel Wales (RW),  
Emma Woodham (EW), Ali Taylor (AT), Sharon Shuttleworth (SS),  
Adele Beaumont (AB), Phil Ward (PW), Libby Fuller (LF)

**Apologies:** Elaine O'Connell Francischetto (EO), Mike Woodham (MW)

### **1. Minutes from 2016 meeting**

Minutes from last year agreed by EA and seconded by CG

### **2. Matters to be carried forward from 2016**

BBQ and Skittles – didn't take place last year due to a mixture of weather and some of the parents who normally organise this leaving the club. Plan is for skittles this year to take place on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. While at skittles we will sort out a date for the summer BBQ. **GO**

Gloucester 2016 Open Event – was very successful again. Although it looks like this event won't happen this year.

Club promotion and advertising in free neighbourhood newsletters –no extra needed at present, just pass on by word of mouth if there is anybody you think might be interested in coming along.

Fixing trollies to stop the school/leisure centre using mats – EA said that she would check if her source for welding might be able to do something for us. We will plan to have a session giving the mats some TLC on the morning of the skittles on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April. **EA and All**

Members benefit – funds are still tight, so nothing on this for this year. See below for prices on Gi's for members.

Interclub competition with Apollo – not done, is becoming difficult because both Chris and Daryl at Apollo now have young children – plan to still have the regular interclub gradings and hopefully we can have a little competition after each of these. **BB**

Gi prices – everybody agreed that the Gi prices were very good as the club sells them at cost price – we are running a bit low on stocks (specifically 110's and 120's) so may need to purchase some more. Agreed that we would continue to sell them at cost price for members paying by SO – those not paying by SO, charge an extra £1 per Gi. **CG**

### **3. Election of Officers**

No changes – This means that the club officials for 2017 are:

<b>Chairperson</b>	-	<b>Bryan Butler</b>
<b>Club Secretary</b>	-	<b>Gary O'Connell</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	-	<b>Elaine Albrow</b>
<b>Inclusion Officer</b>	-	<b>Elaine O'Connell Francischetto</b>
<b>Membership Secretary</b>	-	<b>Chris Giglio</b>
<b>Merchandise Officers</b>	-	<b>Chris Giglio and Emma Woodham</b>
<b>Volunteer Co-ordinator</b>	-	<b>Not required at present</b>
<b>Webmaster and Awards Secretary</b>	-	<b>Lorraine O'Connell</b>
<b>Welfare Officers</b>	-	<b>Chris Giglio, Izzy Butler (available by phone, if not present)</b> <b>Izzy should be back on the mat from June onwards.</b>
<b>Competition Co-ordinator</b>	-	<b>Mike Woodham</b>

### **4. Treasurer's Report**

Headline figures are that we had a loss on the year of around £213 last year, better than the loss of nearly £600

from the year before. Funds were also helped by the charity event coached by Sally Conway (Olympic medallist) and the dads event which boosted funds by around £100 after costs.

As the Gym hire in isolation was more than all of our annual income in 2016, there is a feeling the gym price might go up soon and fees haven't increased for a number of years, it was agreed to change the fees from April 2017 onwards to be:

**Standing Order of £13 for juniors (to age 16, or 18 if in full time education), £15 for Adults and weekly £4 (for Junior) and £4.50 (for Seniors) for those non-SO players.**

**Note everybody to change their Standing Orders from April 2017 please.**

**All**

EA had an idea of something to bear in mind as a fundraising event, this was to have a Judo themed party (like they do for other sports) – so if you are thinking of having a party then consider this. Would have to assess the availability of a coach for any event.

## 5. Chairman's Report

- All coaches have completed the relevant revalidations.
- Had some brilliant support from Micky Woodham (MW) and CG throughout the year.
- Thanks also to Sally Conway for her special fundraising event.
- Gloucester Open was successful again and has gone up in prestige and now gets GB and International players – this has really put Newent on the map in all the Judo circles.
- Samurai at Kidderminster and Bradley Stoke are an ideal stepping stone for any players wanting to do any competitions. We are a family orientated friendly club – so these are the best to start attending first. If you have anything you need to know, see Bryan or another coach.
- A Grading will be arranged with Apollo later in the year.
- Izzy will be back from university and be on the mat in June – so it will be good to have another female coach on the mat.
- Numbers on the mat are looking good again – with a few more attending seniors now.
- Izzy and Elaine are administrators of the Facebook page for NJC.

Thanks for everyone's support especially the committee. Here's to a good 2017.

**Everybody also thanked Bryan, Elaine, Mike and Chris for their time as well.**

## 6. Competitions, gradings and training

Mike Woodham to keep other parents notified of any competitions that may be of interest. Note that all details for upcoming events are on the Newent Judo website. Samurai at Kidderminster and Bradley Stoke are good ones to attend.

**MW**

## 7. Members Benefit

None for this year – will see what funds are doing for this to be considered for next year.

## 8. Coaches Training

Coaches all attend revalidation events, first aid, child protection, time to listen. If anybody is interested in referee or table official courses – these are also available, parents are welcome to do this. Let Bryan / committee members know if you are interested.

The under age 8 syllabus changes – Elaine and Bryan need to get their heads around this. The kids like to show they have achieved something – considering an equivalent of the top banana belt at the interclub grading event with Apollo.

## 9. Social events

BBQ to be arranged for early July again. Date to be agreed at skittles event - GO to book same space as we had in

previous years at Beechenhurst enclosure in the Forest.

**GO/All**

Skittles is likely to be arranged for 22<sup>nd</sup> April – just need to check that the coaches are all available.

**GO/All**

#### 10. Availability of up to date member information

We got the information updated as part of the people attending the meeting – this helps should there be a last minute need to cancel a session due to weather etc. Any that didn't attend please let us have their details as well.

Please also let Lorraine know any relevant news, competition and grading successes, so that she can update the Newent website.

**EW/All**

#### 11. Do the Mats need some TLC

Plan to do this on the morning of the skittles event.

#### 12. Any Other Business

Mention was made of the special event hosted by Sally Conway during the year – all the people attending really enjoyed it and wanted this to be mentioned specifically in the minutes and show a record of thanks from all those attending the meeting.

The meeting was closed at 7.35 pm - Thank you to all those who attended.  
Next AGM February 2018.

#### **Actions:**

**GO** – Sort out dates for the Skittles, BBQ and Mat TLC event.

**MW** – Continue to notify parents of competitions that are available.

**CG** – Charge SO payers cost price for GI's, others +£1

**BB** – Grading with Apollo.

**EA** – To check whether she can get any welding sorted for the trollies.

**EW** – Co-ordinate any details during the year for Lorraine to update the NJC web site.

**All** – BBQ, Skittles, Mat TLC. Also pass the word around for trying to get new members. Let Lorraine know any details for updating on the website. **Update Standing Orders as above from April.**

Gary O'Connell - Club Secretary 26/02/2017