



Glasgow Lions Touch Rugby Club

AGM 2014 Minutes 08 Nov 2014

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Minutes of Annual General Meeting 8th Nov 2014

Date: Saturday 08th November 2014

Venue: Waxys, Glasgow.

In attendance:

Adrian O'Sullivan - **Chairperson**
Catherine Bertuccelli - **Treasurer**
Victor Francisco Suarez
Terry Bauld
Julie Clarke
Louise Heritage
Brian McCluskey
Mungo Ferguson
Felix Gilfedder
Lizzie Willis
Ewen McMahon
Mark McConnell
Denis Donohue
David Anderson
James Green
Iain Huston
Alan Donaldson
Angie Watson

Apologies

Ann Marie Wall - **Secretary**
Lindsay Dunlop
Gillian Bond
Sinead O'Loughlan
Jen Kieran
Lesley Mulgrew
Jenny Johnstone

Introduction & Welcome

The Chair welcomed all members in attendance to the AGM and outlined the Agenda for the evening.

Minutes from 2013 AGM

The 2013 AGM Minutes were approved by the Members & Committee.

Presentation of reports

Before the Chair commenced with the presentation of the Reports he invited the members to engage in discussion during the reports and asked that it be an open forum.

1. Chair's Report

The Chair presented his report highlighting the club's achievements over the past season and proposals for the 2015 season.

The main key points highlighted in the Report which were outlined during the AGM were as follows:

- Summary of the Club's year was mixed in terms of performance & attendance at training and tournaments.
- Training & Coaching highlights including unveiling of the proposed coaching plan & training for 2015.
- Summary of tournaments performance in 2014 and the renewed focus on the Lions regaining a top 8th position in the 2015 STS series.
- Focus by committee and coaches in 2015 on player retention, existing player development & Club performance in tournaments including the STS series.
- Club Development and Club Mark award and its importance for the club.



- The new Coaching Director Gillian Bond and Technical Director Terry Bauld were formally introduced to the club. The Chair thanked Victor Francisco Suarez for all his work and involvement with the club of the past 7 years in his various capacities including Head Coach.
- More Social Events in 2015. Members engaged in further discussion with regard to Social events with the consensus that the club must regain its identity and cater for all players within the club.
- Youth Development in 2015 will be in line with the where the Club is at in terms of resources and the Governing Body development of Youth within the organisation. The Chair thanked Jenny for her work in youth development over the past few years.
- Identified the main sources finances for the 2014 season and the renewed focus on grand & funding applications. He thanked Cathy for her work as Treasures for 2014 and Denis for securing the big lottery fund for the 3rd year running.
- The important work of the Sub-committees in 2014 was highlighted and the chair thanked all those members who sat on the Sub committees [Grants & Funding; Youth Development; Tournaments; Fundraising].
- A number of addition Acknowledgments were made to all those members how help the club run smoothly over the past season.
- The Chair thanked Victor & Terry for their time on the committee and for their commitment and hard work over the years. Both announced that they were stepping down this year from the committee but will still be involved in the club.
- The Chair also thanked the hard work of the and the members of 2014 management committee in helping the club run efficiently and smoothly in 2014.
- The Chair highlighted that there was no response following the appeal on the Weekly newsletter 2 weeks prior to the AGM from the members and appealed for additional volunteers on the night. Angela Watson; James Green, Felix Gilfedder & Iain Huston. The Chair had mentioned that Lindsay Dunlop and Lesley Mulgrew had previous to the appeal volunteered to be nominated for election to the management committee at the AGM.
- Finally the Chair requested as part of a membership drive for the club that the players would spread the word amongst family and friends and encouraged each member to bring new player along in 2015.

For the full report, refer to the Chairperson Report 2014 on www.glasgowlions.com/resources

4. Secretary's Report

The Chair presented the Secretary's report in the absence of the Secretary. The Secretary's report highlighted the work of the committee and sub-committees over the past season and thanked them for their support to the club and to the Secretary. The report also identified that the management committee met every 4-6 weeks during the season. Finally the Secretary appealed for more volunteers to help with activities within the club and help the club develop.

For the full report, refer to the Secretary's Report 2014 on www.glasgowlions.com/resources

3. Treasurers Report

The Treasurer presented the annual accounts for the club, which showed a loss of £1040.36. The club benefited from a Lottery Grant for and funds raised from Beginners Tournament & Club Mark Grant. The Treasurer appealed to members to sign up to tournaments early so buses can be booked in time, as this was a large expense in 2014 for the club. In addition the Treasurer requested that prompt payments by players attending tournaments are made as the club pays the cost of entry up front. The treasurer thanks committee for the work in 2014.

Julie Clark asked if the committee would look at increasing the cost of membership costs in 2015. It was highlighted by the Chair and other members of the committee that this would not cover costs for the proposed hire of the Glasgow Green football pitches and this funding would have to come from other external sources or grant bodies. The Chair also made the point stated that rising membership



fees was looked at in 2014 and it was agreed by the committee not to do this so as not to deter new members from joining.

For the full report, refer to the Treasurer's Report 2014 on www.glasgowlions.com/resources

Introduction of Coaching Director & Technical Director.

The Chair introduced Gillian Bond and Coaching Director and Terry Bauld as Technical Director and announced that the coaches and committee have decided that there will be no head coach appointed for the 2015 a season as it was felt that the appointment of Gillian & Terry will meet the needs of the club and its players in 2015. The Chair then invited Terry to say a few words.

Terry highlighted the new training and coaching programme to 2015 and that this is a new approach for the club and welcomed any suggestion from members on how to help the club improve going forward as well as any feedback on the proposed 2015 training & coaching programme. Terry also highlighted the importance of attendance at training and tournaments and encouraged all members to attend training and tournaments as often as possible in 2015. Terry also highlighted the poor turn out at the AGM, which was disappointing.

Election of the Management Committee

The following members were elected to serve on the Committee for the 2015 season:

Committee Position	Member Elected	Nominated By	Seconded By
Chair:	Adrian O'Sullivan	Terry Bauld	Cathy Bertuccelli
Vice Chair:	Brian McCluskey	Adrian O'Sullivan	Alan Donaldson
Treasurer:	Catherine Bertuccelli	Terry Bauld	Felix Gilfedder
Secretary:	Ann-Marie Wall	Denis Donoghue	Victor Francisco Suarez
Club Development Officer:	Denis Donoghue	Brian McCluskey	Adrian O'Sullivan
Youth Development Officer:	Jenny Johnson	Adrian O'Sullivan	Cathy Bertuccelli
Membership Officer (Adult Section)	Mungo Ferguson	Julie Clark	Alan Donaldson
Ordinary Member	Lesley Mulgrew	Lizzy Willis	Denis Donoghue
Ordinary Member	Lindsay Dunlop	Mungo Ferguson	Louise Heritage
Ordinary Member:	Alan Donaldson	Angela Watson	Iain Huston
Ordinary Member:	Felix Gilfedder	Terry Bauld	Brian McCluskey

AOB / Presentation of Player Awards

Julie announced the STA social event in January 2015.

Julie thanked the committee for the work in 2014.

Adrian presented Victor Francisco Suarez with a Lions strip as a memento for his dedication to the club and his commitment over the years in helping to develop the club.



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Adrian also thanked Terry for organising the end of year prizes and Brian organising the venue for the AGM and for arranging for the print on the Lions Jersey presented to Victor.

Presentation to Players:

The 2014 Player Awards were presented by Victor Francisco Suarez as follows:

Player Award	Winner
<i>MIP Advanced:</i>	Gavin Byers
<i>MIP Intermediate:</i>	Ewan McMahon
<i>MIP Beginner:</i>	Leanne Cooke
<i>Overall MIP:</i>	Jo Campbell
<i>MVP Advanced:</i>	Robbie Ryan
<i>MVP Intermediate:</i>	Kieran Mulcahy
<i>MVP Beginner:</i>	Angie Watson
<i>Overall MIVP:</i>	Jen Kieran
<i>Players Player 2014:</i>	Jen Kieran
<i>Victor Francisco Suarez Commitment Award 2014:</i>	James Green & Iain Huston