Glasgow Lions Touch Rugby Club

Secretary's Report: 8th November 2014

I would like to welcome everyone here tonight to our Annual General Meeting. I would especially like to thank those volunteers who have sat on the committee, sub-committees, coaches who have helped organise training, tournaments and events throughout the year.

In the last year, the committee has met on a monthly- six weekly basis. The committee are made up of Adrian O'Sullivan (Chair), Brian McCluskey, Victor Francisco Suarez, Cathy Bertuccelli (Treasurer), Denis Donoghue, Mungo Ferguson, Jenny Johnson, Alan Donaldson, Terry Bauld and Ann-Marie Wall (Secretary).

I would add my thanks to the rest of the Committee and particularly to Adrian, our chairperson whose efforts have been essential in keeping the club moving forward. Our Treasurer Cathy has continued to generate highly organised accounts. I would also like to thank Denis who has been very proactive in securing further Lottery Funding for the club to facilitate its ongoing development. Over the past number of years Denis has continued to secure funding for Glasgow Lions and has completed the strategic plan 2-14-2017 which outlines our short, medium and long term goals for the development of the club.

This year, sub-committees were also introduced and they met on a regular basis throughout the year.

1. Club Development + Grants. Chair: Denis Donoghue. Other Members: Ann- Marie Wall + Lindsey Dunlop.

2. Youth Development. Chair: Jenny Johnstone. Other Members: Adrian O'Sullivan + Victor Francisco-Suarez + Audrey Murphy

3. Fundraising / Sponsorship. Chair: Mungo Ferguson, Other Members: Alan Donaldson, Lesley Mulgrew.

4. Tournaments. Chair Terry Ann Bauld + Alan Donaldson.

5. Club Coaching Management and Co-ordinating. Chair: Victor Francisco-Suarez. Other Members: Terry Ann Bauld + Adrian O'Sullivan + Jenny Johnstone.

Thank you to all the volunteers in these sub-committees. I would especially like to thank Jenny for all her hard work with the Youth Development and to Victor who has been our head coach. Their dedication and enthusiasm has helped to promote the sport of Touch Rugby among players, schools and the wider community in Glasgow and Scotland.

Related to this I would like to re-emphasise that this is a club made up of its individual members and we all have a stake in it. We need all the support that we can get in order to carry out all the many functions required to run a club of this size. In the past year, the club has continued to grow and we now have 100 members. In order to improve what we do and keep people happy we need a huge amount of voluntary effort. So please think about helping your club in any small way that you can over the coming year.

To conclude – I would like to thank everybody that has helped me throughout the year in order for me to fulfil the job as Club Secretary. I am willing to put my name forward once again for 2014/15.

Ann-Marie Wall Club Secretary