

# Hertfordshire Volleyball Association



## Committee Meeting - Minutes

**7.30pm, 13 October 2020 – The Rose and Crown, Kings Langley**

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**Present:** KLVC (Duncan HVA:Competitions Secretary and Website), WHVC (Katy: HVA Secretary and Marzena: HVA Treasurer), Red Eagles (Kryz and Andrejs), Bishops Stortford (John), Fireball Phoenix (Hassan)

**Apologies:** Watford, MK City, Vale, HVA-(Chair: Angela)

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### **1) HVA Committee Update**

Duncan gave an update on committee members and noted that an AGM will be held in due course.

It was noted that rules and fines in terms of teams having to pull out of leagues won't be enforced as strictly as with normal years due to unknown numbers and possibility of covid peak. It was reiterated that fines are in place to assist with ensuring teams meet deadlines but in terms of officiality of the league there will be more flexibility around teams retiring from leagues if required.

Krys noted that communications around fines need to be better.

Duncan noted that there are no rule changes for the 21/22 season and rules are available on the HVA site for all to view.

The X league introduced in 2019/20 will remain in place for 21/22 and will be suitable for teams that are maybe struggling with team make-up for the mens/womens divisions. This leagues was introduced as a development league with more relaxed rules in regards to team make-up. It can be used by members of teams that wouldn't otherwise be playing for league teams and the results go on the HVA website but fixtures aren't set for the season and are organised similar to friendly matches.

### **2) Club registrations**

It was noted that registrations were only received from Watford and MK. Awaiting other teams.

All teams need to complete and send through their Volleyball England registration.

**ACTION: Duncan to send Hassan form for Fireball Phoenix team to register.**

### 3) Fees

Entry fees will be reduced to £25 for league teams and remain at £10 for cup entries.  
X league teams will now be charged £25.

It was agreed that Fireball Phoenix will be charged a student rate of £12.50 per league team and £10 for a cup entry.

The goodwill deposit stays at £30 and fines are reduced from that. If teams use up the £30 during the season this will need to be topped up.

Invoices to be sent by Marzena and need to be paid before 1<sup>st</sup> match is played.

### 4) Clubs and team entry

The following teams will enter the 21/22 season with HVA:

Team	Mens Div 1	Mens Div 2	Womens	X League	Cup	Notes
Kings Langley	1	1	1	1	3	May have a 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mens team and if womens team is unavailable then a 2 <sup>nd</sup> X league team may be added.
Watford	1	0	0	0	0	N/A
Vale	0	0	0	1	0	N/A
Welwyn	1	1	2	2	4	N/A
Luton	1	1	1	0	2	N/A
MK City	1	0	1	0	2	N/A
Bishops Stortford Stags	0	1	0	0	TBC	N/A
Fireball Phoenix	0	1	0	1	TBC	Mens div 2 team may move to X league. Cup entry TBC
Aylesbury	0	0	0	1	0	N/A
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>N/A</b>

It was noted that the Harriers had folded, VK Barnet were a juniors only club this season and Enfield had not responded with any teams.

## **5) Fixtures**

Fixtures will need to be arranged in due course and the aim is to start these in late October/early November.

John (Stags) suggested the use of a Google Docs based organisation that is used in other leagues.

It was noted that Fireball Phoenix are a new and junior team and their facilities may not meet the exact standards as set out in the HVA rules in terms of net and ceiling height etc. It was noted that teams in Mens Div 2 will need to work with Fireball Phoenix to ensure they agree on the facilities or to offer to host 'Away' games at their home venue.

**ACTION: John to send Duncan Google Docs link and Duncan to send out to fixtures leads.**

## **6) Pre-Requisites for teams to play**

All teams must have completed the following before playing their first match in 21/22

- Sent Duncan the registration form for the HVA league
- Sent Duncan their Volleyball England registration document for the 21/22 season
- Paid their invoice to HVA for league and cup entry as well as ensuring they have a £30 goodwill balance on account.

## **7) AOB**

### **a. Match Balls**

Luton noted that clubs are all using different versions of match balls and it would be good to have consistency across all teams.

Attendees agreed that all clubs in Men Div 1 and Ladies division must use a V200W match ball for matches.

**ACTION: All teams to purchase a V200W ball if not already in their possession.**

**Next meeting: TBC**