



## **Farnham Unihockey & Floorball Club AGM 2009**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June, Farnham Sports Centre**

### **Introduction & Purpose of the Meeting**

The purpose of the meeting was to hear the views of parents of players on the Club's future plans. The meeting was also called in order to approve the Club's statement of accounts and its updated policy document. Approval of these would enable the Club to apply for Active Surrey accreditation.

Peter Goodman thanked Mandy and Simon Lyford for preparing the excellent food and drink provided for the meeting.

### **What's Happened in Surrey in the Last Year**

Peter Goodman outlined recent events in Surrey:

- The size of FUFC has doubled with the new Shooting Stars team and 4 new members of staff
- Club Name and Logo Competitions completed
- Grant applied for and funds received, £1900
- Purchase of new sticks and a Shooting Stars and also a Fireballs team strip
- Trip to see a Guildford Flames ice hockey match
- Several friendly floorball matches have taken place for the Fireballs
- One of the youngsters has designed and launched a club website including the 'Sticky Bay' page where sticks can be bought for as little as £4.
- One of the youngsters has qualified as a referee but more are needed.
- FUFC has joined the GBFUA

Peter Goodman outlined recent events worldwide:

- Floorball has been registered as an official sport with Sport England so that it can be played in schools
- Floorball has been registered with Edexcel and can form part of a GCSE
- Floorball has been recognised as an Olympic sport for 2020 summer games and a new national governing body has taken over to support Team GB.

### **What's is Planned for Next Year**

Peter Goodman discussed the hopes and aspirations of FUFC in terms of growing the sport in our part of the UK by approaching local schools. Peter pointed out that a number of players from the Fireballs are moving up to the local adult floorball team and so Peter asked all parents to talk to their friends and children's friends to encourage them to come along and try out our new sport. The £10 voucher offer for existing players is still available if any of your recruits take up the sport. Recruiting new players would avoid any price rises for the Club.

Peter Goodman will apply for Active Surrey accreditation which will officially register the Club with the local council and enable the Council to start promoting floorball.

### **Grant Application & Accounts**

Tom's Dad, Chris Wilde (ACA) has very kindly certified our accounts free of charge and these were approved by the meeting.

The Club is made a loss last year of £340 and Simon Lyford requested that all parents and players assist with recruiting to help bring us back into profit. Club accounts are available upon request from any member of staff from the Club.

### **Club Policies and Staff Roles**

A vote was taken and the slightly updated policies and current staff appointments were approved. Adam Lyford is now our Webmaster.

The Club Policies and the Child Protection Statement can be downloaded from [www.fufc.net](http://www.fufc.net) or [www.southernvipers.com](http://www.southernvipers.com)

These policies have also been approved by Waverley Borough Council which takes us a big step further towards Active Surrey accreditation.

### **Farnham Sport Centre Refurbishment**

Peter Goodman told the meeting that Waverley Borough Council is spending £5m on FSC which would make it a much nicer environment for parents and players. There is a meeting next Monday which will provide more detail but Peter said that a Save Our Sports Centre pressure group ([www.farnhamsos.co.uk](http://www.farnhamsos.co.uk)) had had to be set up earlier this year in order to convince WBC to retain the existing size of sports hall and not turn it into a massive gym. We have been successful in that aim and WBC has changed it's plans.

FSC dry-side area including the sports hall will close from March 2010 for a few months and the next objective of the pressure group is to ensure that WBC provides an alternative sports hall. The wet-side of FSC e.g. pools will shut from Nov' to March 2010.

### **Parent & Player Feedback**

Those present confirmed that they were happy with the current Club format (time, day, cost, etc) although it was suggested that we should consider moving the sessions to another time during the weekend.

***ACTION POINT: PG to email parents to establish preferences for changing times (Sat/Sun and morning/afternoon). Of course there could be a long wait for a free slot in the sports hall if we wish to change the time/day.***

***ACTION POINT: PG to investigate whether it is worth running the sessions at all during half term holidays or whether both Saturdays should be skipped.***

### **Any Other Business**

Carl's Mum, Pia, kindly agreed to make herself available to go into schools to demonstrate floorball during the next year.

The meeting finished at 5:20pm.