



Aldwych Speed Club

Skating at the Guildford Spectrum

Secretary; Jonathan Barlow
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22 August 2022

Dear Club Member,

Aldwych Speed Club AGM Monday 26 September 2022

With this letter you will find the Notice of AGM, the Agenda for the Meeting and the minutes from the last AGM held on Wednesday 15 December 2021.

This year the AGM will take place at Guildford Spectrum. The exact venue is yet to be confirmed.

Peter Carter has decided to stand down as Media Secretary. Many thanks to Peter for his years of service in this role. I am pleased to report that Peter is standing as a Committee Member. I am also pleased to report that Gordon Wright is standing for election as Media Secretary.

Please look at the attached list of Members who have indicated that they wish to stand for election or re-election. You will see that some positions are currently without a candidate. Please consider giving a little of your time to help our Club and support our skaters. Any Full Member or Junior Member who is aged over 16 at the date of the AGM is eligible to serve on the Committee.

If you can help in any capacity, please let the Secretary know at info@aldwychspeedclub.com.

Once again, the Committee has decided not to increase the Membership Subscription. The Spectrum will continue to charge the Club for the ice time for our sessions. Therefore, whether we make a loss or not on each session depends on how many skaters book and pay for that session. However, we need to ensure the healthy state of our financial reserves, so the Committee will review Membership Subscriptions in the future.

We look forward to seeing you at the AGM.

Peter Carr
Chair
On behalf of Aldwych Speed Club Committee



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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held at Guildford Spectrum at 8:30 p.m. on Monday 26 September 2022.

The agenda for the meeting showing resolutions to be voted on is attached to this notice.

All club members are entitled to attend the AGM. Only the following, however, may cast a vote at the meeting and must have paid their subscriptions in order to vote.

- Full members** [see note below]
- Junior members who have passed the age of 16 at the date of the meeting** [see note below]
- HLVP Members

** A member shall not be entitled to vote at a General Meeting unless at least four calendar months have passed between the date that such member was approved for membership by the committee and the date of the General Meeting.

Please note that members have a further 14 days from the date of this notification to propose any additional business for determination by resolution at the meeting. Please submit any such proposal to the Secretary (address above). Please also note that only business that is on the agenda may be discussed at the meeting.

Jonathan Barlow
Secretary
Aldwych Speed Club

ALDWYCH SPEED CLUB

Annual General Meeting

Date	Monday 26 September 2022
Venue	Guildford Spectrum, exact room to be confirmed
Time	20.30

AGENDA

1. Open the meeting and confirm a quorum is present (10 full members)
2. Acceptance of minutes from previous AGM
3. Chair's report
4. Treasurer's report
5. Report from Examiners of Accounts
6. Head Coach's report
7. Long Track Representative's Report
8. Club Captain's report
9. Any resolutions or nominations for Honorary Life Vice President proposed by Club Members to the Committee within 14 days of the date of the Notice of the Annual General Meeting.
10. Election of Officials

Attached is a list of members who have made it known that they will be standing for election to the position of Club officials at the time that this notice is given.

Members can put their name forward at any time up to the vote taking place, including in person at the meeting, but must be proposed and seconded by other Full Members and have confirmed their willingness to stand.

11. Presentation of the Allan Jee Cup
12. Close of meeting

Officials and Members of the Committee in 2021-2022

Officials

President..... Chris Nelson
Vice-president..... Dave Cox
Chair Peter Carr
Secretary Jonathan Barlow
Assistant Secretary Kay Collins
Treasurer Mike Maynard
Assistant Treasurer Brent Trowbridge
Head Coach Gerard Williams
Assistant Head Coach..... Tony Gallon
Club Captain Lloyd Duncan
Club Vice-Captain Theo Collins
Competition Secretary..... Jason Snowdon
Equipment Officer Dave Cox
Media Secretary..... Peter Carter
Welfare and Safety Officer .Julia Branagan
Long Track representative..... Peter Carr

Committee Members (up to 3)

Allen Dalili
Sharon Smith
Gordon Wright

Voting HLVP (up to 3)

Susan Williams
Carol Gallon

Examiners of Accounts

Dave Cox
Jon Collins

Members known to be standing for election or re-election

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Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Date Wednesday 15 December 2021
Venue Action Suite, Guildford Spectrum
Time 8.30pm

The meeting was opened at 8:30pm by the Chair, Peter Carr, once a quorum of 10 full members were present. Peter welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the meeting.

Apologies for Absence

Dave Cox, Jason Snowdon, Allen Dalili, Gerard Williams, Susan Williams.

Present at the Meeting

Full members; Peter Carr, Tony Gallon, Kay Collins, Julia Branagan, Jonathan Barlow, Mike Maynard, Brent Trowbridge, Theo Collins, Lloyd Duncan, Sharon Smith, Carol Gallon, Chris Nelson.

Associate members; Jon Collins

Junior members; Tom Smith

Non-members; Mia Deacon

Acceptance of previous AGM Minutes (12 November 2020)

Brent Trowbridge proposed and Kay Collins seconded the acceptance of the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting. All those who attended the previous Annual General Meeting were in favour of the acceptance.

Chair's Report

The Chair, Peter Carr, gave the following report;

"It has been an interesting year, like most, the club started the year waiting for the world to open up and allow skating again. We started slowly with the under 18s in March with restrictions both on and off the ice, but for the moment we have life on the ice back to normal as the season starts.

Many things show this "returning", we had new skaters winning groups in the first Sheffield competition of the season, people winning medals at Star Class and even some long track going on. (Though this, like many is complicated by international travel)

On the management side, the period just after the new year was spent with a Special General Meeting in February to adopt updated rules. The committee took the opportunity to do a full review and make many changes.

The fundraising campaign using Crowdfunder in February/March raised over £10,000 including a grant of £3,000 from Sport England. A project is in progress to replace some of the barrier padding and make new trolleys for storing the pads. Thank you to David Fowler

and Paul Ellis for running it and all those who contributed incentives or put their hands in their pockets

The club finances are still healthy following our fundraising drive and day to day skating mostly covering its costs, but the rink has changed the way it charges us so if we drop below our break-even number of skaters, we lose money on the session.

With no domestic comps early this season we had to make do with training and isolated internationals when travel allowed, more of that in the coach's reports.

We had four sessions of summer ice on Saturdays in August. One of them was an inter-club competition with Mohawks.

Thanks as always to the people who make sure things keep running: Carol, Kay, Julia and to Tony returning to the ice and his coaching position. Specifically, Kay and Julia without whom I don't think we would have got through the last year still skating.

We will keep an eye on things as winter comes, but let's keep skating.”

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer, Mike Maynard, gave the following report;

“Firstly, I'd like to thank my assistant treasurer Brent and the Examiners of Accounts, Dave and Jon, with particular thanks to Jon, who has both been helpful and patient with me. It's been tough at work due to the impact of COVID, and so I haven't been able to devote as much time as I should to the treasurer role, nor to skating (sorry Tony).

The accounts for 2020-21 show a huge surplus.

Most of the surplus is due to the fundraising efforts, which brought in £11,700 approximately. This is an amazing amount of money and will ensure the club is strong and financially stable going forward.

The income from memberships will drop in 2021-2. However, this is not a problem because we ran a good surplus this year.

The biggest change from a financial point of view is the switch to the club having to buy the ice time and sell it on to members, rather than people paying at the front door. The Bookwhen system has been managed brilliantly by Kay, and seems to be something that works for everyone. It's hard to get an exact idea of how well we are doing due to the delays in getting invoiced (and some initial delays while we were approved on the various systems), but my estimate is that the sessions have made a moderate loss since we started. Given the reduced number of skaters, this is much better than I think anyone would have expected. Post COVID I would be optimistic that there would be scope for the club to reduce training fees if numbers increase.

Currently all our equipment (other than the kit we resell) has been depreciated so there is no value on the accounts for things like the pads (I can explain this if needed).

At the end of the financial year the club had £38,492 in the bank (this is currently £39,184). This is a large sum, but we are near the point when we need to refresh our pads. To bring them up to standard has been estimated at anything up to £40,000 (although I think we are expecting the cost to be nearer £20K if we find the right supplier).

Other than issues with COVID and the fabulous fund-raising, we have been running the club at approximately break-even over recent years. I'd recommend continuing to do this, provided that the pads do come in at the hoped-for cost."

Examiner of Account's Report

One of the Examiners of Accounts, Jon Collins, reported that examining the accounts is an on-going process. There were three years' worth of accounts to examine. Rather than checking every transaction, he was checking a sample as there were so many. There is no cause for concern. The accounts and their examination should be up to date next year.

Head Coach's Report

The Head Coach, Gerard Williams, was not present at the meeting. The Chair, Peter Carr, read out Gerard's report.

"Apologies for being unable to attend the AGM this year. It has been another challenging year since the last AGM, with the first part of 2021 being back behind the camera for off-ice training via Zoom due to lockdown from December to April. A few less attended these sessions than during the 2020 lockdowns but it was still a beneficial option for the skaters.

Only Under 18s were initially allowed back on the ice in April to May, which brought its challenges but it was very well attended and lots of technique training could be worked on. Thank you to all those who helped out during this time despite the restrictions on everyone around Spectrum. With adults then allowed to join it meant a few more weeks of technique training to get them up to speed with the juniors who had been able to train longer. With the addition of some extra summer ice in August weekends and restrictions easing we have been able to put in some hard training focusing on endurance laps getting skating fitness back after such a long time off the ice over the 18 months.

In the hope that some competitions would be organised, training progressed to speed work, but sadly this year has also been impacted and only three Star Classes (2 Junior CD and one SAB) and three domestic competitions (two at Sheffield and one in Nottingham) have been managed. It is great to see that despite limited training we have still had new members joining the club, and the likes of Zayyah have already started competing. A selection competition for the GB World Cup team occurred in August with Jonathan Moody and Peter Riches qualifying for the team, though Peter declined his place to attend Long Track Junior World Cups. Theo just missed out on qualifying and was selected as a non-travelling reserve, and Solomon was just after that. German also raced at the competition. An inter-club competition we put on against Mohawks was a success, despite a few issues with Spectrum having dug up the ice, and was extremely useful to give many skaters their first taste of racing since January 2020 or before.

Many PBs have still been achieved, by the likes of Solomon, Joseph and Albie at Star Classes, with Albie picking up a bronze medal in the 777m at the Amsterdam Junior CD Star Class. Tuesday, Daniel, Dante, Theo, and Ovee all also achieved PBs at domestic competitions, while Julia got PBs at the Masters International competition in Sheffield, that Peter Carr also attended, with both skaters achieving 3rd places overall. In recent weeks, training has all been focused on preparing skaters for the British Championships at the beginning of January, as well as a competition here on December 30th which we hope can both continue to go ahead. Despite limited racing and training opportunities the improvements are still there for all to see and everyone has continued to train hard. Hopefully next year can have more racing and no breaks from training.

I would particularly like to thank Tony Gallon who despite stepping down from the Head Coach role has continued to play an integral part in coaching, and covering when I have been unable to make it to training. He has made my life much easier, and I am glad to see he has agreed to stand as Assistant Head Coach. I also would like to thank Peter Carr, Peter Armstrong, Lloyd Duncan and Tanith Turner who have all helped at different stages through the year with coaching, even at the expense of their own training at times, their willingness to help has enabled the club to continue training at every opportunity. Hopefully some of them will go on to take their coaching qualifications which will be extremely beneficial for the club going forward.”

Club Captain’s Report

As Matt Rowe was standing down as Club Captain and was not present at the meeting, there was no Club Captain’s report.

Election of Officials

The list below shows, for each Official of the Club, the person nominated and their proposer and seconder. During the meeting, having confirmed his willingness to stand, Gordon Wright was proposed as a Committee Member by Jonathan Barlow and seconded by Carol Gallon. For each position in turn the attendees were asked if there were any other nominations for Official positions and no further nominations were forthcoming. As there was no more than one nominee for each Official position, the Chair declared each of the nominees to be duly elected.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Person elected</u>	<u>Proposed by</u>	<u>Seconded by</u>	
President	Chris Nelson	Peter Carr	Carol Gallon	
Vice President	Dave Cox	Mike Maynard	Julia Branagan	
Chair	Peter Carr	Julia Branagan	Kay Collins	
Secretary	Jonathan Barlow	Brent Trowbridge	Kay Collins	
Assistant Secretary	Kay Collins	Peter Carr	Tony Gallon	
Treasurer	Mike Maynard	Julia Branagan	Jon Collins	
Assistant Treasurer	Brent Trowbridge	Tony Gallon	Mike Maynard	
Head Coach	Gerard Williams	Lloyd Duncan	Theo Collins	
Asst Head Coach	Tony Gallon	Brent Trowbridge	Mike Maynard	
Club Captain	Lloyd Duncan	Tony Gallon	Theo Collins	
Club Vice-Captain	Theo Collins	Kay Collins	Lloyd Duncan	
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Committee Member	Allen Dalili	Peter Carr	Mike Maynard
Committee Member	Sharon Smith	Kay Collins	Lloyd Duncan
Committee Member	Gordon Wright	Jonathan Barlow	Carol Gallon
Voting HLVP	Carol Gallon	Peter Carr	Theo Collins
Voting HLVP	Susan Williams	Mike Maynard	Peter Carr
Voting HLVP	Vacant		
Examiner of accounts	Jon Collins	Peter Carr	Mike Maynard
Examiner of accounts	Dave Cox	Brent Trowbridge	Mike Maynard

Presentation of the Allan Jee Cup

Peter Carr read out a brief background to the history of the cup. He then announced that this year the Committee was awarding the Allan Jee Cup to Carol Gallon in recognition of her outstanding service and support of the Committee. The attendees supported the award wholeheartedly.

The new Committee was asked to stay behind to set the date of its first meeting.

Peter Carr thanked those in attendance for their participation and closed the meeting at 9.22 pm.