



Aldwych Speed Club

Skating at the Guildford Spectrum

Secretary; Jonathan Barlow
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November 2021

Dear Club Member,

Aldwych Speed Club AGM Wednesday 15 December 2021

With this letter you will find the Notice of AGM, the Agenda for the Meeting and the minutes from the last AGM held on Thursday 12 November 2020.

This year the AGM will take place at Guildford Spectrum. It will be in the Action Suite on level 1 near the squash courts.

Paul Ellis has decided to stand down as a Voting HLVP, Matt Rowe has decided to stand down as Club Captain and Peter Armstrong and Dave Fowler have decided to stand down as Committee Members. We thank them all for their many years of dedicated service to the Club.

I am delighted that Tony Gallon has decided to stand for election as Assistant Head Coach and that Lloyd Duncan has decided to stand for election as Club Captain. I am also delighted that Carol Gallon has decided to stand for election as a Voting HLVP and that Sharon Smith has decided to stand for election as a Committee Member.

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 on 15 December 2021 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. Our successful Crowdfunder Campaign has meant that the Club can replace some of the safety padding. However, we need to ensure the healthy state of our financial reserves, so the Committee will review Membership Subscriptions in the future.

On a lighter note, the Committee has decided to hold a Club Curry Night on Wednesday 12 January. Further details will be circulated nearer the time.

We look forward to seeing you at the AGM on Wednesday 15 December.

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 in the Action Suite, Level 1 at Guildford Spectrum at 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday 15 December 2021.

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	15 December 2021
Venue	Action Suite, Level 1, Guildford Spectrum
Time	20.30

AGENDA

1. Open the meeting and confirm a quorum is present (10 full members)
2. Acceptance of previous minutes
3. Chair's report
4. Treasurer's report
5. Report from Examiners of Accounts
6. Head Coach's report
7. Club Captain's report
8. 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.
9. 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.

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

Officials and Members of the Committee in 2020-2021

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.....
Club Captain Matt Rowe
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
Peter Armstrong
Dave Fowler

Voting HLVP (up to 3)

Paul Ellis
Susan Williams
Tony Gallon

Examiners of Accounts

Dave Cox
Jon Collins (co-opted 11 May 2021)

Members known to be standing for election or re-election

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Committee Members (up to 3)

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Voting HLVP (up to 3)

Susan Williams
Carol Gallon
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Examiners of Accounts

Dave Cox
Jon Collins

ALDWYCH SPEED CLUB

Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Date Thursday 12th November 2020

Venue Zoom meeting

Time 8.30pm

The meeting was opened at 8:30pm by Paul Ellis standing in as chairman for Chris Nelson once a quorum of 10 full members were present. After electronic registration using a Zoom Poll, the Secretary confirmed that there were 18 members present and registered to vote. Paul welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending the meeting.

Apologies for Absence

Chris Nelson, Carol Gallon, Peter Armstrong, Dave Cox.

Present at the Meeting

Paul Ellis, Tony Gallon, Kay Collins, Gerard Williams, Peter Carter, Julia Branagan, Jonathan Barlow, Mike Maynard, David Somma, Susan Williams, Dave Fowler, Peter Carr, Matt Rowe, Dave Adby, Brent Trowbridge, David Draper, Hew Williams, Theo Collins, Ben Jones.

Acceptance of previous AGM Minutes (24th July 2019)

Jonathan Barlow 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 and a vote of 10/10 was recorded. The Chairman will sign the previous AGM minutes for the record.

Chairman's Report

Chris Nelson's report was read out on his behalf by Paul Ellis:

The 2019-2020 Skating Season has been the most disrupted season for the Club since the Second World War and has forced us to make changes to the way we operate, for example holding Committee Meetings and the AGM by Zoom videoconference. More significantly, we also had to adapt our Training Session procedures so that they were COVID safe. This has taken a great deal of effort, for which I would like to thank Julia Branagan as our COVID Officer – a role that she had not expected to take on, in addition to her Committee position as Welfare & Safety Officer.

I was very pleased that we were able to resume on-ice Training Sessions in October in a very safe manner and hope that when the present lockdown is over, we will be back on the ice as soon as permitted.

The closure of Spectrum due to COVID has had a negative effect on our finances and we face further losses in the coming months, as our Treasurer, Mike Maynard, will explain shortly. It seems to me inevitable that we shall need to raise funds for the Club and I expect that the new Committee will be working on this as a matter of urgency.

Before we were shut down, Aldwych skaters recorded excellent performances in club competitions and in the British Championships, as you will hear later.

Last year we were saddened to hear of the death of our past President, John Cosstick, who joined the Club in 1947 and was a prominent Member for 62 years. We also recently noted the death of Grace Laming, the widow of another Aldwych past President, Tom Laming, who we remember every year with the Tom Laming Mile Cup that is usually awarded in the final Aldwych competition of the season but, unfortunately, not this year.

After a record number of years of giving their time and expertise to the Club, Carol and Tony Gallon have decided that it was time for them to step back from active duty as Secretary and Head Coach. The Club owes them both a huge debt of gratitude for the professional service that they have consistently given for such a long period. When things return to normal, we shall find a way to show our appreciation for their remarkable service. Note that Carol and Tony are not leaving the Club and, as HLVPs, I fully expect that they will continue to support our activities in other ways.

As you know, I am not standing as Chairman this year but will still stand for re-election as President. I am therefore very pleased to be nominating Peter Carr as Chairman. He has my full support and I believe that the Club would be well served by him. I also note that Theo Collins is standing as Club Vice-Captain and I would urge you to support the election to the Committee of this very talented young Aldwych skater.

Paul Ellis as acting Chairman went on to thank Chris for his many years of loyal service to the club in a variety of roles and he asked those present to show their gratitude and support to Chris Nelson, Carol Gallon and Tony Gallon for their extraordinary service to the Club, and asked that this be recorded in the Minutes of this meeting. This was followed by a unanimous show of hands from all of those present.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report for the year 2019/20 was given by the Treasurer, Mike Maynard. Mike went through the draft accounts and explained the effect that the current restrictions were having on the clubs receipts.

He then went on to say:

Whilst the accounts show a small surplus for the year 19/20 that is because it does not reflect some of the post y/e expenditure, in reality we show a small deficit for the year.

The club needs to be actively seeking support from its members, 'easyfundraising' raised £167.00 in the year.

The club still needs to purchase new barrier pads which will use up at least 50% of the reserves and in case such an event as we have experienced happens again, we will need to build back those reserves. The committee will need to look at ways of raising monies and the possibility of Grants from the likes of Sport England.

Questions were raised by those present as to expenditure and income and Mike explained that these were not out of line for a normal year but that we simply had not had receipts in over the last 10 months in line with expectations from training, competitions, raffles etc.

Mike Maynard gave a vote of thanks to Brent Trowbridge for collecting and banking the money on his behalf during the year.

A copy of the draft accounts will be filed along with the minutes of the meeting.

Auditor's Report

The Chairman noted that, due to the impact of Covid 19 the accounts were not able to be audited, and indeed the term auditor was no longer thought to be applicable for the Club. This will be reviewed by the Committee and may require an amendment to the Club Rules. The Committee proposes to leave open the Official positions of Auditor pending its review.

Head Coach's Report

Gerrard Williams presented the Head Coach's Report. He gave a vote of thanks to Tony Gallon for his work throughout the years.

Gerrard said that the results for the year were extremely good and the achievements of skaters during the season including the continuing PB's of skaters throughout the season, 27 in total, he noted Albie having achieved 5 PB's in different distances. Other notable achievements of the clubs skaters are as follows:

The British Championships: 1st places for Albie Barlow, Alex Snowdon and Jonathan Moody and 2nd places for Joseph Armstrong and Olivia Weedon.

The Winter Youth Olympics 2020: Bronze medal for Olivia Weedon and a Silver Medal for Theo Collins.

The World Masters: 2 Bronze medals for Julia Branagan.

A new British Record for German in the 3000mts distance, and Jonathan Moody, Peter Riches and Solomon Prempeh all skating internationally.

Gerard reported that the club was also well represented at the Star Class competitions. The refreshed Club Skater Of The Year competition had four 1st place skaters from Aldwych, being Lloyd, Phillipa, Joseph and Albie with a further two 2nd places for Olivia and Pasha and a 3rd place for German.

The club training, both off and on ice, had been very well attended

The lockdown Zoom classes had been well attended, however this time the club was making a small charge for this.

With Tony Gallon having stepped down as Head Coach it was now very apparent that the Club required more level 2 coaches and this was now being progressed but ensuring that those training as coaches were also able to compete and train as skaters.

Tony said that he and Carol would like to thank the club for their understanding and for the committee stepping up to their positions.

Long Track Report

Peter Carr presented the Long Track report stating that despite a Covid affected season with no British Championships, it had been very successful, with Aldwych looking better than any other British club.

Club Captain's Report

Matt Rowe, said that the cycle rides had been very successful and that they would be resumed in due course, he did ask it to be noted that Joseph completed a difficult 50-mile ride.

Matt said that “easyfundraising” had been successful and that this would continue.

Election of Honorary Life Vice President

The Committee had nominated Mike Maynard as an HLVP, and his election was unanimously approved by electronic poll.

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, Tony Gallon was proposed as a voting HLVP by Peter Carr and seconded by Susan Williams. 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 Chairman 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	Paul Ellis	Kay Collins
Vice President	Dave Cox	Paul Ellis	Kay Collins
Chairman	Peter Carr	Chris Nelson	Paul Ellis
Secretary	Jonathan Barlow	Paul Ellis	Kay Collins
Asst Secretary	Kay Collins	Paul Ellis	Jonathan Barlow
Treasurer	Mike Maynard	Jonathan Barlow	Paul Ellis
Asst Treasurer	Brent Trowbridge	Kay Collins	Paul Ellis
Head Coach	Gerard Williams	Paul Ellis	Jonathan Barlow
Asst Head Coach	Left open		
Club Captain	Matt Rowe	Kay Collins	Paul Ellis
Club Vice-Captain	Theo Collins	Paul Ellis	Jonathan Barlow
Competition Secretary	Jason Snowdon	Jonathan Barlow	Kay Collins
Equipment Officer	Dave Cox	Jonathan Barlow	Kay Collins
Media Secretary	Peter Carter	Jonathan Barlow	Kay Collins
Welfare & Safety Officer	Julia Branagan	Paul Ellis	Jonathan Barlow
Long Track representative	Peter Carr	Kay Collins	Jonathan Barlow
Committee Member	Allen Dalili	Kay Collins	Jonathan Barlow
Committee Member	Peter Armstrong	Paul Ellis	Jonathan Barlow
Committee Member	Dave Fowler	Jonathan Barlow	Kay Collins
Voting HLVP	Paul Ellis	Kay Collins	Jonathan Barlow
Voting HLVP	Susan Williams	Paul Ellis	Jonathan Barlow
Voting HLVP	Tony Gallon	Peter Carr	Susan Williams
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The Chairman noted that there was no nominee for the position of Assistant Head Coach and that the Club will be financing the training of up to four new Level 2 coaches with a view to filling the position during the season. He also confirmed that the two positions of Auditor would be left open pending any changes in the Rules, as mentioned earlier.

Presentation of the Allan Jee Cup

Paul Ellis 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 Julia Brannagan for her outstanding

effort in her non-Committee role as COVID-19 Officer, being instrumental in ensuring that the club 'got back on the ice, Covid safe'. The attendees supported the award wholeheartedly.

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

Paul Ellis thanked those in attendance for their participation and closed the meeting at 9.34 pm.