



Minutes of Star Sword Club AGM on 12/01/08 at The Cottage

In attendance

- Mr. P. Russell (chair)
- Mr. C. Powell
- Mr. T. Martin
- Mr. A. McLeod
- Miss H. Porter
- Miss M. Taylor

Apologies

- Mr. C. Markall

Agenda

Item 1: Elect secretary

Thomas Martin was elected as secretary of the club by a majority against no opposition.

Item 2: Elect Armourer

Thomas Martin was elected as armourer for the club by a majority against no opposition.

Item 3: Re-elect officers

All of the current club officers were re-elected by a majority vote. The position of competition secretary was combined with secretary. Club officers are:

- Club Chairman and head coach – Mr. P. Russell
- Finance officer – Mr. C. Powell
- Secretary – Mr. T. Martin
- Sabre coach – Mr. C. Markall
- Assistant coach and social secretary – Miss H. Porter



Item 4: Finances

The club financial situation was discussed and agreed to be sound. The fee for beginner courses was agreed by majority vote to be too low and raised. The new fee is 37 for concessions and 47 for adults.

Item 5: Grant applications

It was decided that community chest and sports council Wales grants should be applied for to pay for new electric kit. This is to comprise foils lames body wires and a set of box and spools.

Item 6: Team events

It was decided by majority vote that the club should fund three teams for the team foil only.

Item 7: Oxfam Open

It was decided that an online entry system should be set up for the event as soon as possible.

Item 8: Youth fencing

The possibility of running a Mini Fence course or youth fencing session was discussed. It was decided that enquireys should be into any grants available and the availability of the Star centre.

Item 9: Social

It was decided that a social should be held provisionally on 28/2/08.

Item 10: Club competition matches and challenge board

It was decided that a club competition should be run provisionally on 8/3/08. It was decided that the following clubs should be approached to arrange fixtures; Howardian Sword, Gwent Sword, Whitchurch Fencing Club and Cardiff city fencing club. It was decided that the challenge board should be flipped once a year and that people who do not fence for six weeks should be scratched.



Item 11: Beginners courses

It was decided that beginner courses should run with one week gap between courses.

Item 12: Second session per week

It was decided that a second session will not be run in the near future.

Item 13: Coach education

It was decided that a replacement head coach will have to be found before September next year, candidates are; Mr. C. Powell, Miss H. Porter, Mr. T. Martin, Mr. M. Edwards and Mr. C. Markall.

Other Business

It was decided that a free trial session should be run on 6/03/08 for Cardiff University students.

It was decided that the club should enquire as to the cost effectiveness of insuring its kit.

Actions

Mr. P Russell

- Ask Star centre about hour before session for youth fencing
- Book Star centre for club competition

Mr. T Martin

- Get insurance quote
- Apply for grants
- Research grants for youth fencing
- Set up Pay-Pal account for Star Sword club
- Organize fixtures with local clubs

Miss H Porter

- Organize social for end of beginners course