MKINL AGM 13.07.2021

ZOOM Meeting

1. JH Chairperson welcomed all our members

Thanks for joining us tonight, it's lovely after all this time to have us all together. I hope you have all been keeping well and that this awful period of our lives hasn't impacted you all too much.

I know some of you are key workers and I'd like to say a huge thank you for everything you have done to keep our communities safe, cared for and well.

Next, I would like to say a huge thank you to my lovely committee girls. I know we haven't been playing but behind the scenes we have all been working hard to get you back on court. It's been difficult to make decisions that are right for everyone and take into consideration how people feel about coming back to play. The goal posts have been constantly moving for us and the girls have adapted and accommodated each change with their continued passion and perseverance. They have all kept Netball at the forefront of their minds whilst navigating their own way through this pandemic. Thank you so much girls for your continued support. I'm pleased to say they all want to stand again and continue to run this league to the best of our ability.

Thank you to all for your support while we are going through this period.

And finally, I'd just like to mention the sad loss of one of our long standing MKINL Members, Sian Forrester. Sian was very well known within MKINL, in fact she was one of the first people I remember coming across when I joined the league some time ago. Sian was pivotal and a huge part of the VWG team, keeping them all well organised and running everything behind the scenes. Her presence will be very much missed when we return to Netball. We pass on our love to the VWG team and want you to all know she will always be remembered.

Before I move on to the election, we have decided that we will be combining the minutes secretary and venues role. We will need someone tonight to offer their services to us before the end of this meeting. Meetings are held once a month on the second Thursday. WE will continue via zoom for the foreseeable future so you can sit comfortably in your own home with drinks and snacks! You will be required to take the monthly minutes and liaise with venues regarding any issues over the course of the season. Amy, our Treasurer, will support whoever wishes to join us. Most venues have already been booked for next year, so you won't have to hit the ground running.

The Committee has a vacancy for Minutes & Venues Officer, new faces always welcome.

2. Constitution Proposal from MKINL Committee to change Committee Members titles

CurrentProposalChairpersonChairVice ChairpersonVice ChairTreasurerTreasurer

Umpiring Secretary Officiating Officer
Affiliation Officer Affiliation Officer

Publicity Officer
Duty Manager
Results Secretary
Venues Secretary
Minutes Secretary
PR Officer
Duty Officer
Fixtures Officer
Venues Officer**
Minutes Secretary**

Vote:

YES: 97% NO: 0% ABSTAINED: 3%

Motion carried

3. Election of Honorary Officers

Vote:

YES: 97%, NO: 0%, ABSTAINED: 3%

All current Committee Members re-elected

4. Election of Executive Officers

Vote:

YES: 97%, NO: 0%, ABSTAINED: 3%

All current Committee Members re-elected

5. The Forthcoming Season – September 2021

Information evening on 7th September – venue & format TBC but will include a distribution to all teams of a Duty Pack

Fixtures will begin on 14th September, largely the same fixtures as last season with no new teams replacing any outgoing teams.

Currently two teams have not re-registered for this season affecting Divisions 1&3

^{**}Venues Officer and Minutes Secretary will become an amalgamated role

The Committee is working with teams that are short on players to help them get a full squad for the start of the season. **If you need players, please contact Claudette (mkinlpr@gmail.com) as she gets new players contacting her wanting to play in teams**

Venues – challenging times for the Committee. Schools have been reluctant to hire and we have lost Shenley Brook End School as a venue. Bletchley College & MK Academy are still awaiting confirmation of booking. Ousedale have confirmed a November start date. Good news on Bletchley Leisure Centre – we have lost the 9.30pm slot so will be playing 7pm-10pm.

Hazeley Academy have said that they will only deal with one Club per sport & for netball, this is a Club in MKINL. MKINL itself, as a long-standing hirer, was not approached about this. However, we have been told in principle that the Club will sublet their booking to MKINL for Tuesday evening.

Big thanks to Amy & assistant Katie for securing Watling Academy. Huge thanks to Amy & Claudette for all the hard work they've put in contacting every venue in a 10 mile radius.

Our Netball Development Officer Vicki is going to be writing to the schools on behalf of England Netball to try & help us get back on court.

We currently have a list of 5 teams that would like to join our League so it would be great for next year to be able to have more venues on board. As always, the Committee will continue to scope out any new venue.

Duty boxes will not be at venues for the first part of this season just as a precaution. We will continue to trial the online forms we are using at the Summer League. Any paperwork will be photographed and sent to the relevant officer & timing will be done by the duty teams (on phones or any other timing device).

Fixtures & all other documents will be distributed in mid to late August

If you need help on ENGAGE when affiliating for the forthcoming season, please feel free to contact Vicki (victoria.coyle@englandnetball.co.uk), who will do her best to help.

6. AOB

Court Fees will remain at £20 per team per match

Umpire Fees will remain at £10 per team per match

England Netball Affiliation fees will need to be paid (ENGAGE opening in August). Fees payable directly. There will be no fee for North Bucks, South Region TBC.

There will be no MKINL entry fee this year as last year's fee will be carried over.

Umpiring Qualifications extensions – they have been extended but will update on the 7th September.

Rules – at this time we can't confirm what rules we will be playing. We have to wait for the 19th July announcement & then for England Netball to issue their statement. We will advise in due course.

Thank you all for attending and your continued support. We look forward to seeing you all back on court in September.