

Hockey Hong Kong, China – Masters' Section

Minutes of 2023/2024 Season Annual General Meeting

on Thursday, 27th June 2024 at 7pm

at the Hong Kong Football Club

Present:

Chairman : Simon Shepherdson

Treasurer : Sophie Lindsay

Secretary: Rene Thiel

Ladies Convenor: Kim Roberts

Hockey Masters Playing Attendee:-

Constance Chan, Davinder Sethi, Edward Chau(in part)

Meeting:

- 1) The Chairman announced a quorum was present so the meeting was called to order at 7.10pm

- 2) Confirm the 2022/2023 HKHAVS AGM Minutes. The Minutes was tabled, agreed and confirmed.

Proposed by : Sophie Lindsay

Seconded by: Davinder Sethi

- 3) Received Chairman's Report.(Tabled)

Included report of the season highlighting the Asian Continental Cup in November 2023 and the great event that was held.

Hong Kong hosted the World Masters Hockey (WMH) Asian Continental Cup in November 2023, and 29 teams participated with 6 Hong Kong teams.

Congratulations to all who participated and thanks to all that helped in the largest international hockey tournament that Hong Kong has hosted.

- 4) Ladies's Team Captain's Report on the 2023-2024 playing season's activities.

Report on the playing seasons of the 3 Ladies vets teams, with good seasons for all teams, finishing 2nd in their respective divisions, with strong numbers and good interest in playing for the Masters teams.

The Ladies are now to attend the World Cup in Cape Town in October.

Special thanks to Kim Roberts who is standing down as Ladies Convenor after many years of stellar service to the Vets/Masters. Thank you, Kim

- 5) Simon Shepherdson reported on the Mens League which was overtaken with the event in November with the 4 teams involved, and after the event the focus turning to 2 teams to attend the World Cup events in Cape Town (O40 and Auckland (O50) started
- 6) Financial Report for the year ending March, 2024 was tabled. Main expense of the event in November has led to a deficit for the year, which will still look to be mitigated if additional subvention funds can be allocated.

Review of Ladies fees to be done by Sophie and Kim to determine best rate for the coming season with potentially limited pitch availability reducing the number of Masters teams.

Mens fees to be looked at, particularly in light of the proposed Masters Division in the Mens League.

- 7) Elect Committee members for the year 2024/2025 in accordance with the Bye-Law 7. No nomination was received under bye-laws 7.4 so the nomination was opened to the floor and elected as below:

Chairman:	Simon Shepherdson
Proposer:	Sophie Lindsay
Seconder:	Davinder Sethi

Men's Convenor:	Edward Chau
Proposer:	Simon Shepherdson
Seconder:	Rene Thiel

Ladies Convenor:	Anna Cooke
Proposer:	Kim Roberts
Seconder:	Connie Chan

Honorary Secretary:	Rene Theil
Proposer:	Simon Shepherdson
Seconder:	Sophie Lindsay

Honorary Treasurer:	Sophie Lindsay
Proposer:	Simon Shepherdson
Seconder:	Rene Theil

All well as these positions, a good number of people assisted with the Masters Tournament in November, and our thanks to them.

- 8) Matters arising
No matters arising

9) A.O.B.

- Possibility of developing a Masters Division within the Mens Leagues was discussed, and has been raised with the Mens Section for review.
- Based on over 700 Masters men currently playing in the leagues, which indicates the large numbers to be catered to.
- Discussion as to whether better to revert to the former situation with Masters Teams in the Leagues, and options to be considered
- Planning for the trips to the World Cups is underway with training dates for the summer at HKFC every Friday leading up to the tournament.
- KCC to host their tournament on Jan 4th 2025
- Early dates for Masters events to be confirmed and plan to include Masters team in Easter Sixes and Summer Leagues
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There being no further items or comments the meeting was concluded at 8.10pm

Attachments:

1. Hockey Hong Kong – Masters Section Minutes of 2022/2023 Season Annual General Meeting held on 29th June 2023.
2. Chairman's Report
3. Financial Report

Simon Shepherdson
Chairman
HockeyHK – Masters' Section