

AGM of Dunblane Soccer Club

12th June 2018 at Dunblane High School, 7-9pm

Present: Alan Campbell (Amateurs), Jochen Clasen (2002), Michael Connelly (2004), Ian Wilson (Amateurs), David Gemmel (SFA Club Coach Officer), David Pollok (2001 City), Colin Farquharson (2003), Carol Wilkie (2006), Allan Stobie (Girls), Owen Hutchison (2004), David Dale (2002), Andy Thomson (2003, 2001), Tony (FES), David Webster (2010), Ian Tervit (S&A), George MacMillan (Girls, 2011), Scott Bottomley (2011), Garry Samson (2002)

Apologies: Kerry Kennedy, Dougie Porteous, Ian Mitchell, Alan Morgan, Scott Kinross, Council Bookings Team

1. Welcome from Chairman, and noting apologies for absence

Welcome to everyone and thank you

Steve read a complimentary Email from Kerry Kennedy regarding the club.

2. Approval of 2017 AGM Minutes

DP approval, Carol W seconded

3. Chairman's report

DD showed attendees presentation, which included information such as...

- 326 members, including Girls section and Amateurs
- Hold community Award going for Legacy Award
- 2012 being formed ready for next season
- Player development S&A PerformStrong, Goalkeeping (Gavin Kitchen) need a new coach for 2018/2019
- Potential to look at guest coaches (Judy Murray, Callum Davidson)
- Club introduction of Over 50's Walking Football and Amateur team
- Partnerships with the club include School Club links, Active Stirling, Jane Ross Soccer School, Dunblane Centre, Coach my Sport
- Walking Football Great response, trying to encourage ladies to attend, oldest 75 years old.
- Social development and employability skills pay for coaching qualifications for over 16s. Encourage some of the older boys (Ams) to come back and coach.



- Club aim for coaching qualifications: Head coach 1.3, coach at 1.2. Pending award for 1 B license. Encouraged to participate in DOE.
- A member of Dunblane Sports Hub, try to get Judy Murray back again for another session.
- Our Charity Start Up Stirling, new kit with have SUS logo on sleeve. Donations encouraged at events foodbank and monetary.
 - Donate old Kit scheme The Footprint Foundation. MA has found a direct contact in Malawi. Collection of kit at the Funday.
- Club Aim: Be the centre of sports for the community in Dunblane.
- Chosen partner of the Fling this year cheque contribution received and appreciated.

DD also noted the passing of John Alexander. Big friend of the club, DSC had a good attendance from the club at the funeral. Thank you to John for all his hard work over the years.

DD noted the growth in Girls section, fantastic support from coaches – well done. Steve Carruthers joined a year ago as Club Secretary taking over from David Pollok. The club appreciate all David Pollok's hard work for the club as we mark his involvement. DP joined the committee in 2007, presentation of gift to DP for all his hard work and support. 7 years support and is still involved at 2001 City.

Over 35s circulate around parents. Can we get someone to run with it? Colin F has volunteered for this role.

4. Secretary's report

First year in post, thanks to DD and DP for their support. MA and BA also for all your support and help over the year.

Nothing raised over the year other than clash of pitches and unpaid fees – good sign of running smoothly.

Big thanks to coaches for their volunteering time and development of the players. About to complete the forms for 2018/2019, need to finalise the fees before finished to send out.

Training slots – unfortunately we can't make everyone happy, we need to use earlier slots for younger teams. Please Email with one first request, then a second comprise. McLaren can be used in times when we need it, for example during the Winter for Saturday fixtures. Funday this weekend – thanks to all those volunteering. Encourage all players to come along and wear their strips so we can take a club photo.

MA – thanks to her proactivness in the role. Thanks for the efforts. Thanks to JC for all her support and help etc.

5. Treasurer's report

Final accounts to be passed around for 17/18. Expenditure up over the course – mainly due to increase in pitch hire costs. Total income reduced through to sponsorships, donations etc. However, club in a healthy state. Surplus funds mean we have been able to host S&A sessions. A number of the teams reached club finals so we have funded food, ties etc.



Looking ahead, we need to finalise the last fees but broadly the same. Any expenses from coaches should be handed in ASAP.

Our healthy state means we can propose fees remain at the same level. The club has had no increase over the last 3 years. Attendees OK'd at the meeting.

Girls fees – girls who play with the equivalent will pay their year group fees, those who don't will pay £100. Need to amend the registration to include the Girls.

Unpaid fees – current fees should have been paid 1st March - c£2,000 left unpaid. Keep pressure on to bring those in. If we have chased up fees and are not being paid, unless there is a financial difficulty, the player is classed as resigned and cannot play.

3 payments working better for BA – 300+ to try to track each month is hard to balance. The time deadlines also mean BA can see who is late. Unpaid fees lower this year, so this system has improved. New team 2012 need to consider the start date, adjust the date for the first month. Addition of instruction to ensure bank has set up if not set up online themselves. A reminder after each payment is due to ask them to ensure payments have gone. Please remember Non-use of pitches costs us money and we are already taking increases in fees due to no Laighills and the use of McLaren.

6. Reports from all age groups:

<u>Girls</u>

AS – Being going for around a year, the last 3 months have seen a jump in the numbers between 15 and 20 on a weekly basis. Younger girls P2/3 age are really interested. Coaches struggling to keep control, encouraging parents to help. Coaching qualifications AS to help coaches achieve. 9s festivals for the year, fun 4 joined in FS, Stenhoumuir – under 11s last weekend which has helped interest. Mixed all ages at training at start, now split between younger and older girls after. Need to attract a few more players to have another standalone session for U11s. Affiliation with Women's Scottish Football. Getting kit, training jackets will help to raise profile. Keep pushing, and will continue to work with Kerry. Boosting links with Riverside, Bo'ness to have friendlies and get experience.

<u>2011</u>

Started in Aug, first games in Feb. Numbers up to 27 members, 30 is the limit for the number of coaches. 2 teams entered into the league. Now have 5 coaches, 4 at 1.2 and 1 at 1.1. 1 short to get 3 teams in the league for next Feb. Football looking good, players holding themselves up against other teams. Kit has arrived, still waiting for invoice from Vision. Registered but SYFA website changed, difficult to get the coaches qualifications in time to register. Need 1 coach to be 1.2. first aid (with at least a year) and PVG to not be rejected by SFYA. Request to go to 90 mins on new training schedule. DOE – will definitely take 1 to help coach.

DD – invoice from club, pay club then club pay Vision. £500 will cover the full kit.



<u>2010</u>

Similar to 2011 but lower numbers 15-20. 3 qualified coaches. Two teams, both doing really well. Need to up numbers. Need help from parents, older boys and DOE etc. Would like to go to two sessions but not enough coaches to do that at present.

<u>2009</u>

Absent

<u>2008</u>

GH sent to SB

4 and ½ coaches! Thanks to DOE volunteer. Positive first half of the season. Doing friendlies to help all boys play. Lost a few numbers.

<u>2007</u>

3 teams around 9 players in each. All teams playing well and good team spirit. Getting proactive in for 9s with 2006 friendly matches. New kit all look great. Incident with a parent making threats and coaching from sidelines, no response from FVFDA. Falkirk coaches also involved really supportive.

<u>2006</u>

Transition from 7 – 9 before going to 11s. Guinea pigs but has worked well and beneficial. 11 a side friendlies has really helped. Def encourage age groups to do the same, particularly 2007 who are next. Experiencing noises from parents about streaming by ability for 11 a side, a groan from parents about results etc. DD no right way to split teams or players, equal support for not streaming players. Moving ahead with two teams in 11s with balanced teams. 2 coaches stepping back, 5 moving forward with teams. Attended FV compulsory moving to 11s festival.

2005

23/24 boys. Training twice a week, and have the cup final shield on Sat. Finished 4 out of 18. Players developing well. Playing lower teams due to fixtures changes and frozen pitches good for confidence but not development. Adrian stepping down and Yan stepping up.

<u>2004</u>

Thank you to coaches and MA for getting 2004 through the year. Parents for providing banter at sidelines. Squad of 19, same for next year. Top had of league, top 4 finish positive attitude and hard work, Semi final of league cup. Working on shaping formations and aspects of the game and no preferred foot.

<u>2003</u>

17 at start of the season now 14. New starters to get to 16. DOE and BB expeditions hit fixtures hard, finished 6 this year. Good progress in R cup and made semi final. Changing to central league next season, reason due to Dunbeth winning 3 trophies in 3 years, giving a mental block with these teams. Hoping changing league will help to boost confidence etc.



<u>2002</u>

DD and Yan coaching 20 boys, DOE BB and Exams making an impact. Injuries large this year. Need at least 16 to make it work at 11 a side. Good year, got to 2 semi finals and lost both by marginal score. Hardworking team, all boys give everything. Yan moving to 2005s, glad Jochen joining the coaching team. Taking the same 20 through. Only 8 teams in the FV league so considering Central league too but due to players impending exams it may be better to stay, however if it gets lower than 8 teams this may change decision as playing teams far too regularly.

<u>2001 U</u>

AT delivered an unofficial update.

More stability in first half and less injuries. Second half less stable, finished second in the league. Coaches determined to carry on but some boys would like to join amateurs.

2001 City

Very healthy team, Jochen has coached this year grateful for help. Supportive parents. Stable group of 17 boys. Struggle with results, league got string team 90 min game which is hard work. Good spirit, solidarity and will continue to under 19s.

2001 City have won a shield, last Sunday reception boys have embraced it. Utd won last year, great for the boys to enjoy their success. All boys staying on at S6, prob final year for 2001 City.

<u>Ams</u>

Finished 4th in the league. League cup final in Oct, lost by a goal. Last 16 of the east league, now in Calendoian league. 24 players signed, sometimes don't make double numbers for training for other reasons! Keen to pursue the player pathway, keen to take the u17s boys. Keen to keep squad particularly in the Calendoian league, best amateur team in the country. New head coach, Henry joining the club. Presented what he expects, conduct etc. Enthusiastic coach and has offered to help younger age groups slots around their training sessions. Help as well on Saturdays before their games. New tracksuits in Jan, look smart. Finances managed ok and have nudged up the fees to accommodate higher costs. The Village Inn sponsor the team and go there after match.

Need to order away strips. Boys nudged to get training qualifications.

<u>S&A</u>

Aimed at 14years and above. Kids are moving less and don't have ability so S&A to help this. Numbers have dropped off a bit, benefits seen interesting. Also help Injury prevention. Review at the end of this year, maybe change structure for next.

DD noted its success but would like to tweak.

DD excited by momentum – girls, Ams, WF. Fantastic numbers, so good to hear so many kids involved in footie and sports.



7. Player Council

Looking to set up a player council. Get the kids involved but need players to get involved. Need someone to run with this and encourage some of the older players to start with. May split down the line. What do the kids want to do? SFA has created a similar thing, can we get a few mature older boys/girls to attend the committee meetings. Captain and Vice-Captain to meet every year, 2006 and upwards. Put a small agenda together for the next meeting.

- Council Booking Service FES stated 7 days' notice required if it doesn't impact on the janitor's finish time.
- Election of executive for 2018/2019
 No resignations. DP proposed IW seconded committee.
 OH as Vice Chair DD Approved, SC seconded. Welcome to OH.
- 10. Fundraising initiatives
 - a. Start Up Stirling Bring along donations on Saturday. Donation buckets at each stand.
 - b. DSC (Funday update)Please bring old Football Kits for donation.
- 11. AOB

Strips - 6-week lead time please get orders in. Approached by another supplier RGM, DD meeting with them in a week. Bespoke kit right now, do we want branded kit? They change kit every two years so constant change; we have the same strip across the club.

Club communication – needs to be slicker. Use TeamApp as a whole club. Add JC to admin so pitch cancellations etc. can be sent straight to parents.

Org chart – details (names and contact) of caching and admin for each team to JC asap.

Ams – one player struggling to play due to him becoming a Physio. Can we use him to our benefit? Great idea!

MH – As of 5.30pm tonight MA finally able to sign PVG!

Online course – BA struggling to get on it. SFA have not replied, MH and AS can't do it either. Problem on site – SC to look into it.

DD presentation to MC for finishing up with U19s.