

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, ~ 1977

The Annual General Meeting of the Club was held at Stones Chapel on the 29th March 1977.

Seventeen members were present.

Apologies for absence were received from M.J. Brown, J. Kenworthy and B. Little.

In the absence of Mr Brown Mr Galloway, was elected chairman. Mr Galloway declared the Meeting Open.

The Minutes of the previous AGM were read and approved.

Mr Jenst delivered the Secretary's Report for the 1976. He outlined the performance of the Club in the Hays Village Tournament and in the Parish Cup, and Crossley Shield. He then dealt with the results of the teams in the league and made brief reference to individual contributions.

The Ladies Committee had again donated £200.00 to the Club.

The Committee had endeavoured to undertake administrative matters and raise money from newspaper collection and the Xmas Draw.

It was hoped that the coming season would be successful and enjoyable and that the promise which was within the club would be fulfilled.

The report was adopted.

The Treasurer presented the balance sheets and his financial Report was adopted.

It was agreed that the Club should again run 4 teams, as before.

Electron of Officers.

The following Officers were duly elected.

President	M.J. Brown
Patron	As before, except that those not contributing should be deleted. Any additions would of course be included.
Hon Secretary	T.E. Jenst
Hon Treasurer	H. Norrington
League Representatives	T.E. Jenst and George Bunter.
Hon. Subscription Secretary	G. Lamb will assist S. Palmer.
Hon. Auditors	G. Eastwood and R. Galloway.

Electron of Captain and Vice Captain.

The following were elected:-

1st XI	Captain K. Anderson	Vice Captain T.E. Jenst
2nd XI	Captain D. Allen	Vice Captain G. Lamb.
3rd XI	Captain - To be left until the start of the season.	

Selection Committee.

This would consist of M.J. Brown, S. Palmer, R. Galloway and one other.

General Committee.

The following were duly elected:-

Nessie Colinge ~~and~~ A. Crawshaw, R. Galloway, D. Harris, A. Howden, J. Kenworthy, J. Nason, P. Lang, S. Palmer and his fellow.

Scorers.

The President Secretary and Treasurer would meet to select appropriate scorers.

Officers and Committee might be elected at a players meeting to be held at the end of the season. It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

3. The elsan toilet was worn out and could no longer stand the strain of sharing the load. It was blown off and fixed of feeling unfulfilled. It was agreed to replace the old faithful with a spanking new elsan. The committee expressed its gratitude for the bottom, of its heart.
4. A discussion took place about sharing out the clubs balls. Mr Collinge thought the captain should have ten new ones. On a vote it was decided that the captain of the 1st team should be able to have a new ball prior to the start of any game.

The Next Meeting was arranged for the 10th May 1977.

Supper 10.5.77

The Minutes of the Meeting held at the Blue Bell Inn on the 10th May 1977.

Present: M. Brown (chairman) and Messrs Allan Anderson, Collinge, Gresham, Jenett, Spillars, Kenworthy, Nelson, Normanston and Ray.

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs Hendon, & Elland.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Matters Arising

1. It was reported that the ramp had been completed subject to a layer of concrete being applied.

4. The wall needed whitewashing and the sight-screen needed painting. In addition there had been no progress with the rock fallnet above fence.

Treasurers Report.

Mr Normanston reported that he held £80.00 at home and the bank balance was as the balance sheet disclosed. There was an outstanding bill for £24.00 and the fuel bill was expected to cost about £50.00. The rates were also due. The discussion deviated to the nets and it was agreed to re-examine the nets to see how much netting was required and it was agreed to put the matter in hand up to £60.00. It was also agreed to purchase 1 dozen practice balls.

Mr Normanston agreed to do the summer draws for the season and the thanks of the meeting were expressed to him.

Any Other Business.

Mr Anderson reported that the Royal was prepared to cater for us for any future functions. Apparently the Wyke ~~house~~ ^{house} have an arrangement with Old Crossdalen for catering and there was a possibility that this could be extended to Stones. Mr Pollard reported that the latter would seat 70. The highwood was also mentioned. A number of names were discussed but no conclusion was reached the matter was to be put on the next agenda.

1. A discussion took place regarding the year end. Mr Normanston expressed his wish that it remain the same although Mr Spillars felt that there was a wish in having to audit the books. However it was mentioned that the Captain

Any Other Business.

1. The committee expressed its congratulations to Peter Hadden, Jennie + June for their election to the Halifax League side and the Halifax League under 22 side.
2. Mr Collinge asked if steps had been taken to obtain Robert Franks trophy. Mr Jennie replied that he had it in hand.
3. A discussion took place regarding the necessity for the league to maintain the supply of prizes. The subscription to the league was increased and Mr Jennie was asked to obtain a balance sheet. Mr Clouston informed the meeting that in reply the Club was presented with a cup and if it so wished it could then supply trophies to the players.
4. Now that Mr Brown was coming back into circulation he would have time available to attend to the fence.
5. Thomas Paper Mill had been in touch with Mr Brown and had given a price guarantee. They seemed to be keen to do business with us and it was agreed to contact them when we had a sufficient load.
6. Kenny Brown Trophy - The Trophy wanted increasing to a value of £60.00. Mr Barnaston informed the meeting that there was a policy with the Cooperative Insurance Society which covered all our trophies.
7. Mr Jennie agreed to check the position regarding the Player Insurance.

2. Nothing for the practice area had arrived at Hicroft but the price was well in excess of that originally quoted. In view of this increase it was decided not to take delivery just yet but to see what other alternatives were open to us.
3. The whitening of the walls had not been a success and it would need to be re-done. Lime and alum was available for any volunteers.
4. It was reported that the account for the tackle amounted to £82.00 and not £50.00 as originally expected. The new bats were not being used and it was thought that they could be allowed to remain in the cabinet until they were needed.
5. Mr Jennie agreed to obtain from the lay board a specimen menu for the dinner on the 27th July 1978.
6. A discussion took place regarding a special players meeting to be held at, say, the end of the season to elect the officers and captains for the following year. It was decided that this was not a good idea as it tended to pre-empt the business of the AGM.

Treasurer Report.

Mr Barnaston reported that subscriptions were coming in and there was approximately £100.00 in the bank. All bills were paid apart from the rates. It was agreed that a notice or reminder relating to unpaid subscriptions should be posted.

Gallagher raised certain queries and Mr Jenks said he would try and get a balance sheet from H. Schofield.

5. The question of trophy insurance was raised but Mr Normanton said that he would attend to it. A discussion followed regarding the awarding of the Kenny Brown Trophy. Mr Anderson proposed - and it was carried - that Kenny and Jenks should decide themselves and be the sole judges. ~~Mr~~ Mr Brown stressed that the Trophy would be awarded 'for services to the Club' and not necessarily for contributions on the field.

Any Other Business

1. Reference was made to the fact that D.W. Haines was in his 50th year of Club cricket and it might be fitting tribute if a match between a D.W. Haines XI and a Stones XI could be arranged. It was decided that he should be asked if he would like to do this for the 28th August or the 4th September.
2. A discussion took place about the Ldit Rowley fixture. The discussion revolved about ~~the~~ whether the fixture should take place on that day or be transferred to a Sunday later in the season. Mr Collinge proposed and Mr Haines seconded a motion that the fixture should be played on a convenient Sunday later in the season. The motion was carried by 3 votes to 1 with a number of abstentions.
3. A complaint was made that practice was not available for practice as the cupboard was always locked. After a

The next meeting was arranged for the 28th June 1977.

The meeting then closed.

Mr Pharoah 21-6-77

The Minutes of the Meeting held at the Blue Bell on the 28th June 1977

Present: M.J. Brown (Chairman) and Messrs Allan Anderson, Collinge, Jenks, Gallagher, Hains, Harkin, Normanton and Barry

Apologies were received from S. Galton and W. Polans.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

1. Nothing had been purchased at a cost of £57.20 and had been erected.
2. Player insurance. Apparently, the league does not concern itself with this. The problem which we had experienced was in persuading the NCA that we are affiliated members. Mr Jenks told the meeting he had seen a block ~~of~~ ^{membership certificates} and had been assured that this in fact related to Stone Cricket Club.
3. A specimen Mean card had been obtained for the annual dinner. It related to the hydroponics and it was decided that a sub-committee should be appointed to go and see if the facilities and the building were suitable.
4. Mr Jenks reported that the League was raising a levy of £7.50 to cover the increase in outgoings. Mr

Cricket

Parade, Season 1977

Stones find elusive blend to mount a championship challenge ...in the nick of time!

By Stephen Hirst

STONES ran the gamut of all possible emotions before winning a truly remarkable match against Warley, which took them into a clear lead at the top of the Halifax League.

There was apprehension when Warley began their innings as well that a score of 200 seemed inevitable.

There was consternation when wickets were accumulated in a manner able and Warley slipped from 12 for two to 127 for eight.

There was consternation when, at 121, Stones captain Ken Anderson put down 24 before-its perfectly acceptable match played by David Ambridge, who went on to share with Ian Hooker in a dropped stail of 24 for the sixth wicket.

There was some depression when Warley finally finished 200 and left Stones with only 20 minutes plus 20 overs to make the run.

There was something bothering in a number of spectators of about when recognised batsmen Alan Cawston, Brian Stone, Ian Ferris and David Stone moved only 15 runs between them in a ragged reply of 21 for four.

There was renewed resolution when Adrian Hooker and Robert Friend batted with an such calm and composure that thoughts were first stirred that here, perhaps, was the chance of a strong draw for Stone. In better Warley's run rate of 1.2, Stones had to score 124.

There was nerve-racking tension when, in the eighth of the final 20 overs, Friend was sniped by Martin Kelly off Steve Stone for a glorious 11. All Hooker, already with 50 to be home and batting as well as he ever has, was still there. . . .

There was relief and not a little jubilation when Hooker and Anderson, never allowing the agony of their quest to finish their contract, took the wicket last 120 with at least six

overs left. Even Hooker's dismissal at 120 for a remarkable 81 (10 fours) did little to let Warley's flagging spirit.

There was consternation when the score reached 124 for six at the 11th of the 20 overs. . . . some aggression that, if it hadn't been for the slight drop in catch, the match might now have been won, but the score, guided principally by US some skipper whose confidence increased with every delivery, seemed irreversibly set. . . .

Then, because Stone and Bert Wilcock had been meeting through their overs with a customary softness, there was a stinging rebuke. After Warley would bowl MORE than the customary 20 overs in the last hour -- and that victory, therefore, was a possibility.

The rest was as near to ecstasy as you can get without going into the emotional world of rally and jaw action. From the last two overs of the match, Anderson threaded three boundaries and ran five singles with William Palford to match a doubleton with three balls to go. That final flourish left his captain an 11.

For Warley, from a match which they had dominated for some months, there was nothing, and, for the second time this season, they had to accept defeat in the last over.

But if there was one thing which they could learn from Stones, it was patience of the kind which, although exhibited by Ian Hooker in his late innings opening, was sadly lacking when Alan Smith, after scoring a brilliant 58, threw his wicket away when it seemed easier for him to score another 50.

Another wicket wanted -- but less obviously -- was Tony Eberington's. When Philip Jenks again cut Philip Perry, the action was focused on clearly upon Jenks regarding his ground to face to beat Hooker's Stone that in one instant Eberington still out of his ground at the bowler's end -- he was, that is, except Perry -- he looks the wicket almost apologetically.

However, one outside run out and several catches of Stone do not make a season, nor win or lose a championship. And there is no doubt that Warley, as well as Stones, must be considered to be in with a chance of winning the title.

Warley's potential to do so has been established for some time now. Stone have been less pleased -- but some, given the added quality inherent in the arrival of all-rounder Brian Hooker and the continuing development of Robert Friend, they seem a better balanced side, better suited to the rigours of a championship challenge.

Warley 1st XI: Steve A. Hooker, 8; Robert Friend, 11; Philip Perry, 12; Philip Jenks, 13; Alan Smith, 14; Ian Hooker, 15; Ken Anderson, 16; David Ambridge, 17; Ken Kelly, 18; Alan Cawston, 19; Brian Stone, 20. Warley 2nd XI: Steve A. Hooker, 1; Robert Friend, 2; Philip Perry, 3; Philip Jenks, 4; Alan Smith, 5; Ian Hooker, 6; Ken Anderson, 7; David Ambridge, 8; Ken Kelly, 9; Alan Cawston, 10; Brian Stone, 11. Stones 1st XI: Steve A. Hooker, 1; Robert Friend, 2; Philip Perry, 3; Philip Jenks, 4; Alan Smith, 5; Ian Hooker, 6; Ken Anderson, 7; David Ambridge, 8; Ken Kelly, 9; Alan Cawston, 10; Brian Stone, 11. Stones 2nd XI: Steve A. Hooker, 1; Robert Friend, 2; Philip Perry, 3; Philip Jenks, 4; Alan Smith, 5; Ian Hooker, 6; Ken Anderson, 7; David Ambridge, 8; Ken Kelly, 9; Alan Cawston, 10; Brian Stone, 11.

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