Gloucestershire County HA – AGM 29th May 2019

Men's 'The Verde Recreo Hockey League' Representative Report - Alistair Kilfoil

As the County representative, I attended 4 out of 5 League meetings last season. I was also one of the three members on the League's Rules Sub-Committee ratifying the area secretary's decisions.

The North Area meeting was held on Tuesday 30th April at Old Bristolians (same week as the South Area and South Wales meetings) and here is a brief summary of major points.

- All rule changes were accepted in principal by all three Area Meetings. There will be some amendments made to rules to reflect the indicative votes taken at the area meetings.
- Congratulations to the Gloucestershire Clubs winning, second (or third) in their various leagues and promoted.

Premiership Cheltenham Runners-up Gloucester City Conference North Runners-up Bristol Uni. B Conference North 3rd Cirencester De Cymru & The Marches 1 **Champions Champions** Wotton-u-Edge A De Cymru & The Marches 2 Champions Westbury & UB A Central 1 Bristol Uni. B Central 2 Runners-up **Gloucester City A** The Marches 1 Champions The Marches 1 Runners-up Lansdown A **Champions** Winchcombe The Marches 2 Cirencester B The Marches 2 Runners-up **Bristol Uni. C West Central 1 Champions** Westbury & UB B West Central 1 Runners-up South Glos. A West Central 3 **Champions** Westbury & UB E West Central 2 Runners-up

Ashmoor are the League Champions (NB club was formed in 2003 – 16yrs). Four teams promoted to the England Hockey League for 2019/20 season in the new Tier 3 are, Ashmoor, Cheltenham, Cardiff University and University of Exeter A

Cirencester D and Gloucester City C have been accepted into the League and will play in The Marches 2.

The subscriptions for the 2019/2020 season remain at £60 per team.

The main League Officials remain in post for the coming season. Terry Cook – Chairman, Jon Watts – Secretary, Sally Hammond – Treasurer and League Administrator, Andrew Harvey – Results/Website. Stuart Richardson stands down from the 'Premiership' Area Secretary with Andrew Harvey taking on this position, Matt Walker – De Cymru & The Marches Secretary and Pete Sim the South Area Secretary. Christian Philips Adams has been appointed as the Central Area Secretary.

The new League Sponsor 'The Verde Recreo Hockey League' continues for next season.

Travel assistance – distance travelled above the mean travel distance for the Tier (min. payment of £10) will continue as well as discounted League fees for teams with no fines during the season. Amounts still to be decided.

League dates for next season will be 28th September to 7th December 2019 and 11th January to 21st March. 2020 (so an 11/11 match split). Fixtures should be available by the end of May early June.

Finally, as also please remember that I am your League Representative so KEEP ME INFORMED over all your dealings with the League.

Alistair Kilfoil

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