

**ROWLEDGE CRICKET CLUB**  
**THE 2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 6 MARCH 2019**  
**8.00 PM AT THE CLUBHOUSE, ROWLEDGE**  
**DRAFT MINUTES**

**1. President's Welcome**

David Gill welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming to the AGM. By way of an introduction, he wished to say three brief things before heading to the next agenda item.

Firstly, as a fan of cricket history, he wished to recognise the rich cricket history in the area and noted that Rowledge had been established in 1887, meaning that this was the club's 132nd season, a great achievement. During that period many local people would have been involved in running the club and an incredible number of events - and ups and downs - would have occurred, for example our predecessors had to handle past AGM's immediately following World War 1 and World War 2. David mentioned that the current group of committee members and volunteers was outstanding and they had the potential to leave a great legacy for those who follow us.

Secondly, David mentioned that, reflecting changes in society, the game of cricket at both professional and amateur was changing faster than at any time in the past. The ECB had brought out a new strategy called Cricket Unleashed to try to find a way forward for cricket at recreational level but he noted that it's almost impossible to plan too far ahead given the speed of change. However, although there may be challenges to confront, looking ahead there would also be many options and exciting opportunities for the club.

Finally, David wished, on behalf of everyone at the club, to publicly acknowledge the huge amount of time, energy and tender loving care that Carl, the chairman gives to the club. It was greatly appreciated by everyone.

**2. Apologies for Absence.** Apologies had been received from D Lloyd, P Brook, C Yates, C Bruno, B Blightman, R Fulham, B Nichols, B Wish, C Bellenger, T Wheatley

**3. To approve the Minutes of 2017 AGM.**

There being no questions or additional matters arising the draft minutes of the 2016 AGM were approved.

Proposed - Jim Marshall

Secunder – Steve Martin

The vote to approve the minutes was carried by a show of hands.

**4. To receive the Chairman's 2018 Report.**

C Baker Welcomed all to tonight's Annual General Meeting and thank you for attending.

I'd like to begin by thanking our sponsors, without them we couldn't survive, we do need more. As I have said in past, to run a club is not a cheap exercise anymore, for example to provide cricket balls to our juniors alone it costs us £1k, these are match balls only. We are always trying to make sure our coaches are equipped with kit to make sure every player that is coached enjoys it and wants to come back each year. We have a load of new coaches doing the course this year which is great but we need more, we don't want to go down like neighbouring clubs by having to pay for external coaches which will increase fees massively.

I would like to thank every volunteer, from parents on a Friday, to buying the biscuits, tea ladies, groundsman, coaches, bar staff & BBQ, everyone is so important to make sure we operate in such a professional manor.

Did you know we have over 300 junior/youth members, across 13 teams, using 5 grounds, thank you to Chris F and the coaches for having such a great season. Our girls have increase to now over 100 and I am so pleased that this year we have Jackie Coffey heading them up to coordinate everything, which will be such a massive help as we continue to grow and I hope we can get a lady's side back out in the next couple of seasons with our older girls.

My job is made easy because of the committee and I would like to thank them all for their efforts throughout the whole year, I know that all of them (mostly) have other jobs so adding this role to their busy schedules is very much appreciated. I would like to thank Lenka for her services she has given to the club which has been since I came chair in 2012, her dedication and support will be missed and what she has done has changed the way we

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run this club, she has decided to hand back the keys and credit card, relinquishing signing rights and responsibility for the Club Finances.

Back to our senior sides, once again we had 3 sides, with our 1s gaining promotion back to Div1 by finishing runners up, thank you to everyone who was part of this squad now we just need to stay up which won't be an easy job as everyone in past could beat everyone on their day, so it will be a challenge but enjoyable. 2s unfortunately were relegated even though they won more matches than the previous year's our luck just ran out. We must take the positives from it that we had a record number of U18 playing and this is good for the future, but I know it's not best to say but maybe this County Div2 will help us regroup and be slightly less stressful. Lastly but not forgotten 3s, again without their skipper able to bowl all season and missing key players through injuries we managed to stay in the league, once again it will be another tough season ahead but once again the youngsters stole the show and I am so proud on how well they contributed to the team as I know Carlo is. Thank you, captains and head of cricket, to getting these 3 teams out each week.

I would like to end by thanking David he is always there at the end of the phone/email when things get tough and its very much appreciated I can honestly say this was one of the tougher seasons for me.

I am ready and can't wait for the season to commence and let's hope to many great nights celebrating wins, socialising with one of Haidee events or just enjoying the sun having a drink on a Friday night.

Thanks - Carl Baker - RCC Chairman

### 5. To receive, and if approved, adopt the accounts for 2018, with the Examiner's report.

Lenka presented the accounts and in summary - It was quite a good year with an increase in income, expenditure had also increased on the previous year with investment in new equipment for coaches and additional training. The Club still made a small profit and there remains a good bank balance. There will be ongoing investment in the club and facilities over the coming year

Lenka thanked Richard Westaway for his tireless work over the year and Ben Spittle who acted as Independent Examiner. Lenka confirmed she was standing down after 7 great years as Treasurer.

Lenka - I have enjoyed my time with the Club. When I first joined there was a modest amount in the bank and unfortunately, due to shocking weather in that first year, the balance dropped to 30% of the initial amount, as costs still had to be met. Fast forward 7 years, one lengthy VAT registration process/reclaim and a major capital spend (Project Gold), the bank balance is nearly twice that inherited – and I am very happy with that! Obviously, I can't make a claim to this fully as this is a team effort but I can confidently say that the finances were managed very carefully over my time in charge.

Lenka also stated - she was unaware of how much effort and time all the volunteers contribute to run a successful club like this and was pleased she could contribute her specialist skills over the years, ensuring this success was an ongoing achievement.

Proposer to approve the accounts - Wyatt Ramsdale

Secunder - Jim Marshall

Vote to approve carried/not carried by show of hands

### 6. To elect the President of the Club, upon nomination of the Committee.

David Gill had indicated he was pleased to carry on as Chairman and Carl thanked for his work and continued support. David was always at the end of the phone and found time to chat when Carl needed his advice and expertise. He contributed hugely with his personal time, coming to so many matches and of course ensuring as always such a successful 2018 President Days. He was always very entraining when speaking and contributes so much in skill, knowledge and contacts that ensure the Club remains a successful focus for the community. Carl was pleased David had agreed to continue for the 2019 season thanked David for staying on.

D Explained reason for potentially standing down as being his involvement in other sporting organisations. He apologised that, for that reason, he might not be able to give as much time to the Club as previously. Please forgive if he can't attend as often as usual but his work schedule is increasing all the time.

Carl Proposed on behalf of Management Team D Gill as President

Secunder Lynley Griffiths

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Re-election of Dave Gill as President was carried by a show of hands

## 7. To elect the Vice Presidents, new Honorary Members and new Honorary Life member.

### The following are current Vice Presidents

Andrew Harland	Ann Mortimer
Bob Blightman	Brian Silver
Dave Vasey	Dr William Nichols
Ian Carter	Iris Burse
Joe Yates	Rupert Kinnersly
Shaun Bradbery	Shirley Peters
Tony Field	Wyatt Ramsdale
Jennie Brinsden	Ruth Ahmed
Caz Callum	

Propose to elect en-bloc - David Metcalfe                      Secunder - Haidee Brisbane

Re-election of Vice-Presidents en-bloc was carried by a show of hands.

## There followed a proposal by Carl Baker to elect Peter Brinsden as Honorary Life Member.

Peter has been a member for many, many years. He is a fantastic supporter and member always end of phone and giving support and advice. It work with the junior and youth teams made the Club the success it is today and encouraged the love of cricket amongst hundreds of school age children.

Seconded - Chris F and carried by a show of hands.

## There was a second proposal by Car Baker to elect N Gregory and D Royan as Honorary Members.

Both Neil and Dave are long term members, committee members, coaches and supporters. Giving huge amounts of their personal time to coaching and academy work for our youth players. They have contributed to the management Committee for long period of times too and their insights into the running of the youth sides was invaluable.

Seconded - Wyatt Ramsdale and carried by a show of hands

## 8. To elect the Chairman of the Club.

Lynley Griffiths proposed we re-elect Carl Baker as Chairman of the Club.

Carl approaches the Club and the promotion of the sport of cricket with huge enthusiasm. We sometimes don't see eye to eye as I am an enthusiastic administrator and that frustrates Carl's passion to just get on and get things done – which is why he such a successful Chairman.

Seconded - Caz Callum

Re-election of Carl Baker as Chairman was carried by a show of hands

## 9. To elect the Management Committee of the Club.

Carl to informed the AGM of Lenka Drablow's decision to stand down and thanked her for her hard work. He confirmed to the members present RCC had removed Lenka as a signatory from the accounts for the club and she had returned her key and all items of equipment belonging to the Club.

**Management Team 2019-** The proposed Management Team Members are willing to stand, and unless there are Members willing to take over the role will be elected en-bloc:

	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed 2019</u>
General Secretary	Lynley Griffiths	Lynley Griffiths
Hon Treasurer	Lenka Drablow	Caz Callum (thanked by members present)
Facilities Manager	Chris Yates	Chris Yates
Child Welfare Officer	Christine Bellenger	Christine Bellenger

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Marketing Manager	Haidee Brisbane	Haidee Brisbane
Cricket Secretary	Jim Marshall	Jim Marshall
Senior Cricket Officer	Steve Martin	Steve Martin
Youth Manager	Vacant	Vacant
Junior Manager	Chris Finney	Chris Finney

## Ad-hoc supporting posts – non-voting

Projects Manager - P Brinsden      Club Ambassador – D Lloyd      Team Selection Manager – R Fulham

Proposed – David Metcalfe

Seconded - Wyatt Ramsdale

Election en-bloc of the proposed members of the Management Committee was carried by a show of hands.

Carl paused to thank Lenka again for her hard work. She has been Treasure since years 2012 when Wyatt left. It was a big job and she leaves big shoes but we are sur Caz will be just as successful. Richard Westaway's work was also really helpful and lenka leaves the Club in a good Financial position. He again thanked Lenka for what she's done over the past few years, keeping us in order and giving us regular financial updates, he appreciated all the work she did to keep us under control and then asked the members present to show their appreciation with a round of applause.

## 10. To elect the Captains for the 2019 season.

The following were the Nominated Captains for 2019 -

Team	Captain	Vice Captain
Mens 1st X1	TBA Still considering B Wish – offer in place but can't work in progress	
Mens 2nd X1	Shea Taylor	
Mens 3rd X1	Carlo Bruno	Chris Norris
Ladies X1	Not applicable 2019 season	
Village Cup	To be advised	

Jim Marshall stressed the requirement to let the League know the final decision on the First team captaincy was now an urgent matter.

Proposed - Lynley Griffiths

Seconded - Chris F

Elections of the Team Captains en-bloc was carried by a show of hands

## 11. To fix subscriptions for the 2019 season

The Committee proposes that the Subscriptions for the year 2019 will be slightly increased on 2018 and are as follows:

### Senior Section

- Senior Mens Team Playing Member 2019 - £130
- Senior Mens Team Playing Member not in full employment - £80
- Senior Ladies Team, Senior Playing Members aged 18-24 in full employment, Student Member - £80
- Social Member -£37

### Junior Section age up to 18 years (inclusive)

- Social Member - £37
  - Year Group Reception to Year Group 3 - £65.
  - Year group 4 to U18 Inclusive – £85 (includes venue hire, match fees for Junior/Youth Matches)
- Note: All ages are calculated as at 1<sup>st</sup> September of the previous year. (NB: Parents within the Junior/Youth Section must include One Social Membership)

**Family Membership - £215**

### MATCH FEES All groups - Village cup free

	Saturday	Sunday
Senior Playing:	£10	£5
Senior playing (18-24)	£ 5	£3
Ladies Playing	-	£5
Ladies Playing (18-24)	-	£5
Youth- (Playing Senior)	£ 5	£3

Seconded - Wyatt Ramsdale

The proposed subscriptions were carried by a show of hands.

## 12. To elect the Independent Examiner.

Lenka proposed and confirmed Ben Spittle had agreed to act again as Independent Examiner

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Seconded- Carl Baker Election of Ben Spittle as the Independent Examiner was carried by a show of hands

**13. To consider any other business at the Chairman's discretion.**

The Club expressed sadness at the passing away of Sir Peter Anson, a long term supporter and also Emily Carter who was always at the Rec watching as many matches as she could. Club to consider an appropriate memorial for Emily. The Club also recorded the awarding of a British Empire Medal to Peter Brinsden – a well-earned and deserved award. There were congratulations for David Vasey on his 'special' birthday yesterday – a resident and supporter since 1985.

**14. The meeting closed at 20:44**

C. Baker (Chairman)

Date –

L. Griffiths (Club Secretary)

Date –

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