



AGM 18th JUNE 2019

Venue: 23 Ridgeway Cliff, Herne Bay, CT6 8JQ

Apologies for absence: Michael Pethick, Alli Gibbons.

Members present: Dominique Kennett, Mark Cwynarski, Jane Clayton.

No Chairman's report was available.

The treasurer reported that the club was now in a much better position than this time last year. Increased numbers of members over the year, along with ukc students who have been coming to the club have increased the club funds to a healthy figure.

It was not possible to elect a new committee as only 2 of the present committee were at the meeting, therefore the committee will remain the same for the time being, until such time as the club can elect new members.

Decisions had to be made as to the future of the club as we will be leaving Chaucer on 8th July and starting at the new venue – spires academy – on Monday 2nd September. 6pm – 9pm

The new venue is more expensive than Chaucer therefore it is necessary to increase the fees of the club.

The new fees are as follows:

Annual club membership - £40 payable in September.

Evening fee – senior - £8

Evening fee – junior (under 18) £6

Ukc students - £6

Visitors - £10



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We hope to be able to have Peter Huggins coaching epee at the club 1 Monday a month, Peter Barwell coaching foil 1 Monday a month, Haydon McCarthy coaching sabre 2 Mondays in 5.

Also Marion Hoff, (foil), Dominique Kennett (foil and sabre) and Jane Clayton (foil and epee) coaching every week.

The new venue has no storage whatsoever for our club equipment so it will be necessary for existing members to buy the club equipment that they are currently using, or to buy their own equipment.

New members to the club will be able to have the first week free, the 2nd week they will be given a membership form to join the club on the 3rd week and to take out the 90 day free BFA membership. During this time they will be entitled to use the club equipment free of charge. After the 3-month period, they will be offered the chance to buy the club equipment that they have been using, or to buy their own new.

Only club members will be able to have individual lessons with the club coaches.

Jane to contact Spireas to offer a taster session for some of the students to come and try fencing, preferably on a Monday evening before the club starts at 6pm to avoid having to transport the kit on a separate occasion.

The club desperately needs a volunteer to man the desk every evening, to sign fencers in and out and to take the money, as well as offering information about the club to new fencers. Ideally, this would be a parent who brings their child and waits with them. The committee would be grateful for any volunteers to offer their services.

The club also needs more new, volunteer coaches to help out at the beginning of the evening with the younger fencers and will be looking to encourage established fencers to help out.

Meeting closed at 9pm