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AGM 2024

Friday April 12th 7:30 for 8:00pm Morris Clown

Agenda:-

- Attendance, Apologies & Welcome
- Treasurer's Report -2023
- Secretary's Report 2023
- Chairman's Report
- Election of Officers & Committee
- 2024 Season (inc Fixtures & 8 A Side draw)
- AOB



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Minutes of AGM - 2024

Morris Clown 12th April

1. Teams represented

Of the 57 registered teams, 11 teams in total were represented at the AGM, 7 being non-Committee teams.

Athletico Talbot Faringdon Follicles Bell B Grifters Elmo 2

Faringdon FC Rose & Crown

Stitched Up

Troutlets

Morris Marauders West Witney Wangers

(Last year 14 & 9).

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from the following teams: -

Curbridge Griffins

Touchliners

Jolly Sportsman

3. 2023 AGM - matters arising

No items were carried forward.

4. Treasurer's Report for 2023

The Treasurer presented the 2023 accounts. (See next page for details)

Income for 2023 was solely from subscriptions – £2445, comprising 39 teams @ £45 (early payment discount) and 14 teams @ £50.

Expenditure totalled £2383 which left a cash surplus of £62 for the year. Each expenditure item was described for the benefit of attendees.

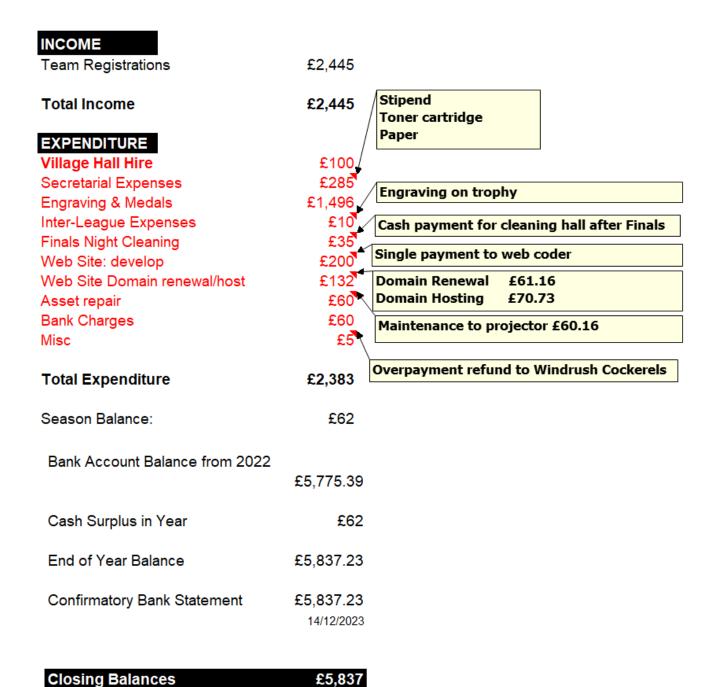
Added to the balance of the bank account, this gave an end of year total of £5837.23, which was confirmed by a bank statement (14/12/2023) and minuted at the February Committee meeting.

The surplus will be channelled into a two-year program of streamlining and simplifying operation of the web site.

Members were also advised of a reward-based competition to be announced later.



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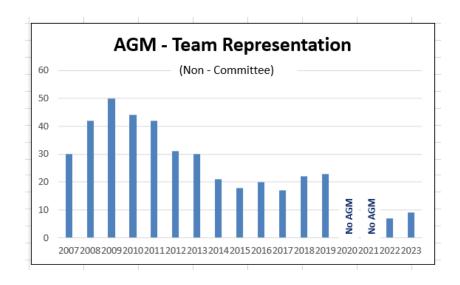




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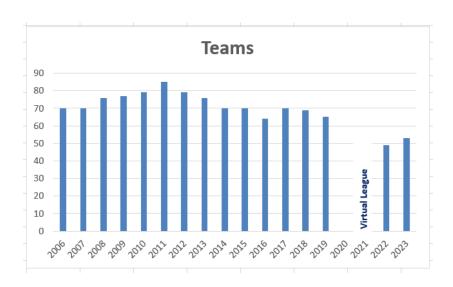
5. Secretary's Report for 2023

5.1 AGM attendance



14 teams were represented at the 2022 AGM – 9 representing non-committee members.

5.2 League

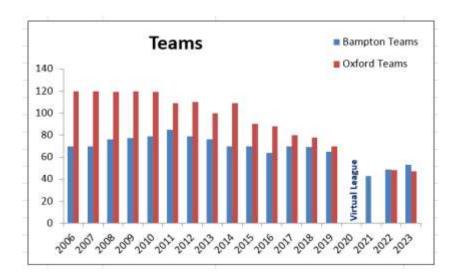


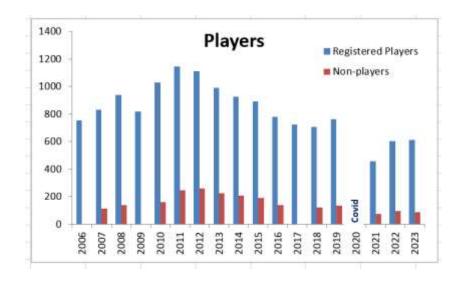
53 teams took part in the 2023 season.



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For the second consecutive year, the Bampton League fielded more teams than Oxford by 53 to 47.

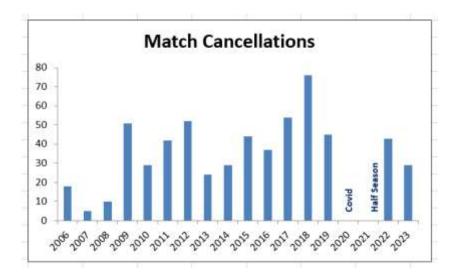




613 people signed on, of whom 525 actually played.



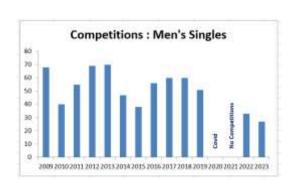
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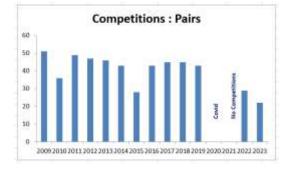


In total, 29 games were cancelled in 2023, of which 22 were self-sorted, the remining 7 were adjudicated by the Committee.

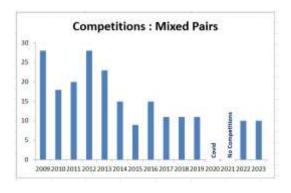
5.3 Competitions

Individual competition entry figures were presented: -

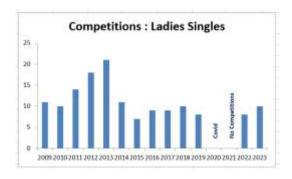




27 singles entered - 21 played



22 pairs entered – 21 played



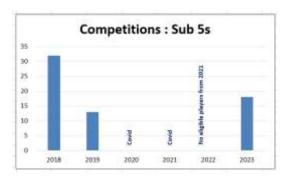
10 pairs entered - 10 played

10 entered – 7 played

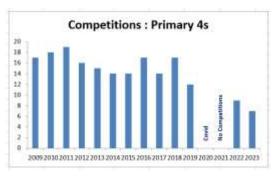


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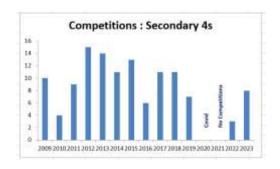
The Sub 5 competition resumed, since eligibility data had become available from 2022.



18 entered - 10 played



9 entered – 8 played



8 entered - 6 played

To see individual winners, refer to the web site archive for 2023.

6. Chairman's Report

The chairman thanked the membership in general for a successful 2023 and the slow but steady rebuild of teams following Covid, wishing them a good forthcoming season.

7. Election of Officers and Committee

The Officers and Committee stood down en-bloc. Gavin Carter (Grifters) opted to stand down this season. Sec thanked him on behalf of the Committee and membership for his service since 2011. The Officers and Committee were re-elected unopposed.

Those present were introduced to Jamie New (Faringdon Follicles), who had applied for the position of Committee member with web site responsibility and who will shadow B A-W for the following 12 months.

The other Committee position was filled, un-opposed, by Bez Berry (Bell B).



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The make-up of the Committee for 2024 is therefore: -

7.1 Committee for 2024: -

President Fred Cook Athletico Talbot
Chairman Steve Mace Morris Clowns
Secretary / Treasurer Barry Aylett-Warner Troutlets

Committee Members Danny Cox Morris Marauders

Dickie Weedon Morris Marauders

Jamie New Faringdon Follicles

Bez Berry Bell B

Darren Lloyd Athletico Talbot
Ady Pitts Athletico Talbot
Dave Tillyer Morris Marauders
Will Money Morris Minors

8. 2024 Season

8.1 Registrations

At the close of registration, a total of 55 teams had registered. Update: An additional 3 teams have been enrolled since)

Teams lost from 2023: - Silverbacks

Teams returning: - Minster Lovell SSC

Teams registered for the first time: - Plough (Finstock)

Old Swan (Minster Lovell)
Elmo 2 (Elm Tree)
Firefoxes (Kidlington)

League Fixtures were issued.

(This is also available as a page on the web site and as a printable PDF file in the 'Documents Download' page).

Secretary pointed out that there are only 27 current venues compared to some 44 in 2006. The consequence is that with multiple teams playing from the same venues, it becomes increasingly difficult to create fixtures without home conflicts. To get around this, the membership will have to accept the Committee applying a degree of arbitrary section setting to resolve conflicts. There may in the future be unresolvable conflicts resulting in teams having to fulfil occasional matches other than on a Thursday.

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8.2 Key Dates & Times

Members attending the AGM were informed that key dates for 2024 are already published on the web site and can be printed from the 'Documents Downloads' page.

The first two activities of the season are: -

8 A Side First Round Thursday April 25th Thursday May 2nd League Week 1

Competition registration will open on May 1st and run until June 1st.

Because of the relatively small number of teams taking part in the 8s Round 1 heat, there will be a 'Friendlies' list published in Document Downloads'.

8.3 Major changes for 2024: -

- The Food Provision Agreement from 2023 no longer applies.
- All competition heats will be played to finalists.
- To try to speed up competition play, the following tossing rule will be trialled in 2024:

Winner of the toss gets full choice in legs 1 & 3 (inc 3/1 stickers); loser gets choice in leg 2.

- To encourage more singles competition entries, we are trialling an experimental date change for 2024.
 - Instead of the mid-season Thursday being 8 A Side Round 2, it will be used for ALL singles heats. The season is therefore extended for a week to complete the 8s heats – finishing Thursday Sept 26.
- The Pairs competition heats have been moved from Sunday 14/07 to Sunday 23/06 to avoid a possible conflict with Euro 2024 Finals.
- NEW- Beer Leg Competition:

A £75 cash prize will be awarded to one team in each section for the highest number of beer leg wins in the season. In the event of a draw, beer leg dolls will decide.

Entry is voluntary and requires the team to send in a weekly photo of the scoreboard clearly identifying both teams and doll totals. Periodic running totals will be published on the web site.

If these trials are successful, some of them may be incorporated in the Rules for next year.



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8.4 8 A Side Round One Draw

The draw was conducted live at the AGM for the third year, using traditional methods and audience participation. The draw will be available as a download on the web site from the following day.

9. AOB

9.1 Tabled Discussion Items

No written discussion requests (ie those requiring a vote) have been received for the *eleventh* year in succession.

9.2 Open Forum

There were no recordable items

There being no other business, the AGM closed at 8:55pm.