

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF  
LANCASHIRE COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION LTD**

**HELD AT TYLDESLEY RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL CLUB TYLDESLEY**

**ON WEDNESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> JUNE 2022**

At the meeting of individual members, the two current representatives to the Extraordinary General Meeting , C Smail and Ian Scott Brown were re elected .

Ken Andrews opened the meeting as Gill Burns had been delayed in traffic but was hoping to be there shortly. There was a minute silence for Noel Atkinson and Alan Farmer who had recently passed away.

Apologies for Absence:

Steve Blackburn, Dave Hodgson, Alex Speed, David Thompson, Thomas Rochford, Steve Rigby, Rod Moore, Ernie Haynes, Dan Hardy, Tim Stirk, John Dewhurst, Alan Marsland, Phil Mahon, Colin Hilton, Mike Dale, Neil Sinclair, Margaret Chapell, John Greenwood, Kate Bennatta, Frank Morgan.

The minutes of the previous AGM and were on the website.

There were no comments or questions relating to the minutes of the previous AGM.

1. Annual Report.

This had been circulated and was available to view on the website. There were no comments or questions.

1. Election of Officers:

a) **President**

As Gill had been delayed the incoming President , Mr Brian Stott, was introduced by Lancashire Chairman , Dave Clarke who read out a message from Gill. Gill would do the official presentation of the badge when she arrived.

Brian Stott then took over to Chair the meeting.

b) **Senior Vice President**

Carol Baker became the Senior Vice President and was introduced by Brian Stott. Carol has been the Safeguarding Lead in Lancashire for many years , she accepted the role and said that she was proud to do so and looked forward to helping Brian in his year as President.

c) **Chairman**

Dave Clarke is in post until 2023

d) **Honorary Treasurer**

Paul Deakin                      Management Board Proposal.

e) **Honorary Secretary**

Mark Downs agreed to stay in post with the Board nomination, in post until 2024

2. Election Of Directors

a) **Director of Rugby Development**

Howard Hughes            Management Board Proposal

b) **Director of Club and Community**

Malcolm Worsley        Management Board Proposal

c) **Director of Governance**

Carol Baker              Management Board Proposal

d) **Director of Volunteering**

Gill Burns MBE          Management Board Proposal

e) **Three Directors without Portfolio**

John Greenwood        Management Board Proposal

Tommy Hughes          Management Board Proposal

Gary Morgan             Management Board Proposal

3. Appointment of Independent Examiners.

ERC nominated by Paul Deakin. Seconded by Stephen Briers.

4. Election of

a) **Assistant Honorary Secretary**

Brian Stott            Management Board Proposal.

b) **Assistant Honorary Treasurer**

Stephen Briers    Management Board Proposal.

c) **Vice Presidents**

Mark Nelson

Carol Baker SVP

John Greenwood

Alan James

Brian Hurst

5. Nominations for Sub Committees

**Disciplinary Committee:**

John Ransom Proposed by Ian Scott Brown. Seconded by Alan James.

Steve Blackburn Proposed by Ian Scott Brown Seconded by Alan James.

Tommy Hughes Proposed by Ian Scott Brown Seconded by Alan James.

**Cup and Competitions Committee:**

Chairman Dave Clarke Proposed by Brian Hurst Seconded by Christine Spivey

Secretary Brian Hurst Proposed by Brian Hurst Seconded by Christine Spivey

Alan Whalley Proposed by Brian Hurst Seconded by Christine Spivey

Tommy Hughes Proposed by Brian Hurst Seconded by Christine Spivey

Helen Duggan Proposed by Brian Hurst Seconded by Christine Spivey

**Club and Community Rugby Committee:**

Kate Benatta Proposed by Carol Baker Seconded by Ian Scott Brown

Val Blackburn Proposed by Carol Baker Seconded by Ian Scott Brown

Steve Blackburn Proposed by Carol Baker Seconded by Ian Scott Brown

Helen Duggan Proposed by Carol Baker Seconded by Ian Scott Brown

**Finance and Funding Committee:**

Chris Smail Proposed by Helen Duggan Seconded by Paul Deakin

Stephen Briers Proposed by Helen Duggan Seconded by Paul Deakin

**County Schools Union Committee:**

Dave Herriman Proposed by Peter Hughes Seconded by Tommy Hughes

Paul Deakin Proposed by Peter Hughes Seconded by Tommy Hughes

**Mini Junior(7 -16) Committee**

Ian Spivey Proposed by Howard Hughes Seconded by Paul Deakin

Alan Bower Proposed by Howard Hughes Seconded by Paul Deakin

**Women and Girls Rugby Committee:**

Howard Hughes Proposed by Helen Duggan. Seconded by Carol Baker

Mark Downs Proposed by Helen Duggan. Seconded by Carol Baker

6. Correspondence

No correspondence appertaining to the meeting.

Gill Burns had arrived at this point so to close the meeting she presented Brian Stott with the County Badge and Blazer.

7. AOB.

Mark Downs introduced a new Honorary Life Member , this had not been done for a long time , during his time as County Secretary. He then asked Ken Andrews to introduce the recipient.

This year's recipient is Mr David Todd who is a long serving member of Heaton Moor RUFC. In addition to the various roles he has held at his club David has served the County with Distinction and enthusiasm on various sub committees through the years. The award was thoroughly deserved and David accepted the honour with pleasure.

In addition to the above award , Ken asked that it be noted that a vote of thanks was given to Peter Hughes BEM who had stepped down from his role on the County Schools Union Committee. Peter had served on this committee, including a spell on the English Schools Committee over a period of 40 years and the County were immensely grateful for all that he had done for rugby over the years.

The AGM was then closed at 7.35pm

## Attendees

President	Brian Stott
Senior Vice President	Carol Baker
Vice President	Alan James
Past President	Gill Burns MBE
Past President	Ernie Neely
Past President	Peter Hughes BEM
Past President	Dave Herriman
Past President	Ken Andrews
Past President	Rob Briers
Past President	Tommy Hughes
Hon Secretary	Mark Downs
Hon Treasurer	Paul Deakin
RFU Representative	Dave Clarke
RFU Representative	Ken Andrews
Chairman of Finance	Chris Smail
Director of Rugby	Howard Hughes
Broughton	Clive Ennis
Didsbury Toc H	C Smail
Eccles RFC	Leanne Aspinall
Firwood Waterloo	T Mc Clure
Fleetwood	S Doherty
Heaton Moor	D Todd
Littleboro'	B Hurst
Liverpool Collegiate	G Morgan
Lostock	A James
MADREFS	Clive Ennis
Manchester	T Harper
Oldham	R Heptonstall
Orrell	G Winstanley
Sedgeley Pk	R Berry
Warrington	L Blacksell
West Pk	J Bradbury
Wigan	D Clarke
Wythenshaw	J McCauley
Mini and Junior	I Spivey
Colts League	A James
Safeguarding	C Spivey
	C Baker
League	K Potter
	D Clarke
Finance	P Deakin
Individual Members	C Smail
Individual Members	I S Brown
	Ann Andrews
	A Clarke
	M Herriman