**AGM 2021 – Minutes**

* **Attendance:** Chair/Secretary(Carolyne Jones), Treasurer Alan Pengelly, Welfare Officer – Dave Brown, Welfare Officer – Ian Ray, Club Coaching Mentor – Miles Woodley, U7 Bees, U7 Warriors, U8 Eagles, U8 Hurricanes, U9 Tigers, U9 Panthers, U10 Bullets, U10 Hornets, U11 Wildcats, U12 Pythons, U12 Cobra, U13 Jags, U13 Warriors, U13 Braves, U15 Bullets, U18 Eagles.
* **Apologies:**- Nigel Moss ( U18 Eagles), Duncan Mitchard (u14 Falcons and U18 Braves), Wes Allen (U17 Jags), Mark Pinches (U15), Matt Supyk (U8 Hurricanes) Paul Cooper (U14 Jags), U15 Bears and U13 Vipers
* **Minutes of 2020 AGM** were summarised and agreed by all to be correct .

* **Chair and Secretary Review – AGM June 2021.**

Season 2021 feels a bit like Ground Hog Day to me – I really didnt not think 12 months on I would be having the same thoughts about this season as I did about the last but I am afraid that is the case.

What a frustrating year for all. The season has been fraught with challenges, starting with pre season training in groups of 6 then moving to social distance training with no contact (Might as well have called it fitness) and after all that glorious weather last year when we were all in isolation the heavens absolutely opened the minute we were allowed to train again TYPICAL !

Finally we were given the green light to commence the season – wow that felt good and I know the kids loved it. But this brought its own challenges of risk assessments being produced and new processes around sanitising equipment and kids being introduced but our desire to make this happen for the kids won and off we went ..But 2 months in another lockdown was announced for November, a short release in December but again the weather wasn't helping out here. January saw a further 2 month lockdown – how to keep the kids entertained – think its the first time I actually was grateful for the x box in our house. March arrived and once again we were allowed to commence but with so much time lost the leagues looked very different to normal , I was just grateful to get the kids playing (I personally wasn't overly bothered about the league or cup) just wanted to hear the kids laughing and socialising with their mates. With an extension to the season despite the clashes with other sports namely cricket I think we all got to see some good levels of football played and due to the extension in the season and training we technically only missed 1-2 months of active training.

I want to thank each and everyone of our team officials who have embraced the changes, finished work early to make a mid week match and just provided some stability to our wonderful young members when so far the past 18 months has been pretty shaky for them all. A number of teams have been very successful this year in the cup with semi final and final places achieved – well done again to all involved in getting this fixtures on and well done to all the kids who took part and either left with the elation of a win or the deflation of a loss never easy but a lesson well learnt I believe.

The pitches have done us credit they have stood up to some pretty shocking wet weather and enabled our matches to continue. Once again Thank you to Dave and Alan for their on-going enthusiasm and desire to make sure these facilities are the best they can be. We all really do appreciate your efforts and love to hear the comments of away teams who are all very jealous of our facilities.

Thank you to our Coaching partners who have all been through some personal challenges (especially those self employed) we have done so well to keep the majority.

Finally I would like to say a very personal good bye to our current U18 teams The Eagles and The Braves – this team is very close to my heart as its the reason I became chair of Bollington United over 10 year ago. Daniel my oldest had been an active member of the colts section at U8 he and his mates moved into playing their first season in a league (we didnt start at U7 in those days). At the same time Paul Gibbons ex chair chose to resign and the club was about to fold. I couldnt see Dan and his mates have no where to play and they had already fallen in love with the club and wanted to play for Bollington United JFC – and so I took on the role. Dans team The Eagles managed by my husband Michael and Nigel Moss and Duncan Mitchard Braves have been a delight from start to finish and I am so proud of each and everyone of the young men involved with the teams – some have been with us like Dan since they were 4/5 years old and I have enjoyed watching them grow into wonderful young men. I wish them all the very best with their onwards journeys whether it be to University , Apprenticeships or a Job – they have been a credit to Bollington JFC , Their Parents and most importantly to themselves.

It wouldn't be fair to leave it there with the thanks, as Michael, Nigel and Duncan have been active members of this journey and each and everyone of them has played a massive part in the lads lives and have given them not only a safe and fun platform to play their football but a safe environment for these lads to develop and grow as individuals and they should be very proud of their part in that. Thank you all for some wonderful years and memories.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Nigel Moss for his tenure as jackpot draw co-ordinator – I think we worked out over the past 10 years service he has helped raise over £10,000 for the club that's pretty impressive I think you would agree.

Finally Both Dave and Alan – announced at the agm last year this would be their final year, due to the frustrating season. If approved at our committee member elections in a moment. Alan has agreed to extend his position for a further season on the bases we recruit and vote someone in to shadow him this coming season.

Dave successfully recruited Ian Ray into an additional welfare Role and we are proposing that for the forth coming season Ian will take the lead role as Club Welfare Officer and Dave is going to remain a member of the committee supporting Ian during the early phases of the season but also in a new capacity as Pitch Maintenance Officer (he will be the lead contact between the club and Ansa for all things relating to the pitch). I can not thank Dave enough for the years and years (too many to count) of commitment and dedication he has given to the club in his capacity of Club Welfare Officer – it is a thankless task but he has been a true professional. Thank you Dave.

With regards to training and leagues for next season; this is still working progress, I will be arranging a further meeting before the end of July to update all regarding these matters.

**Financial Report – Alan Pengelly**

**Welfare Report – Dave Brown**

Has been Welfare Officer for 14 year and with the club for over 20 years. This season hasnt been the easiest, not had many complaints about opposition as normal but a lot more internal issues. He said it is tricky to get around to all grounds and pitches at a weekend to have a presence which he would love to be able to do.

As now known Dave is taking a step back from the lead Welfare Officer role and handing on to Ian Ray. He wanted to thank Ian for stepping forward and looks forward to working with him during 2021.

He asked that if anyone has any problems no matter how big or small to please log this with the welfare team at the earliest opportunity – even if you believe you can handle this yourself, register it with welfare.

Most training can now be completed on line; 1st Aid, Safeguarding and even level1 coaching and Personal development courses. So please check out Cheshire FA and complete any necessary courses.

If anyone is interested in completing their level 2 please check out Cheshire Fa because the club need more level 2 coaches.

Ben Meggit – wanted to personally thank Dave for all his support and guidance he has offered his team over the past 3 years.

All team officials present thanked Dave for all his time commitment and guidance.

* **Committee Elections**

- Chair Carolyne Jones

- Secretary Carolyne Jones

- Treasurer – Alan Pengelly

- Welfare Officer – Ian Ray

- Welfare Assitant and Pitch Maintenance – Dave Brown

- Club Coaching Mentor – Miles Woodley

Roles were proposed by Michael Jones and Second by Gavin Leigh

All present Agreed with elections.

* Season 2021 Subscriptions

Alan Pengelly – proposed to retain subs for 2021 for the 4th year running

5 Aside £130

7 Aside £150

9 Aside £170

11 Aside £180

There will be subsidies added for Alderley League, Centralised Venue at SML, and Any teams using AH for Matches on a Sunday – this is likely to remain around £40 -£50.

Any Debts from this year will be applied to next season and MUST BE PAID BEFORE SEPT 21.

Due to missed football during this season, the club are offering a 10% credit based on 2020 subs applied to 2021 season account. Anyone leaving the club may apply to receive the refund. EG U18 Eagles and Braves players.

Paul Hartley Second Subscription proposal

All Present Agreed.

* **JackPot Draw Administrator Role** – Alan has agreed to take this back under the treasurer role but It was suggested by Michael Jones we email out to all members to advertise both the Jackpot Draw Administrator position and the need for a treasurer to shadow Alan this year with a view to taking over next year.
* **Club Facebook and Web Page** – Ian Ray has offered to create and manage club webpage and a new facebook page. The Website will be an information site and contain club policies , respect codes etc.
* **Whole Game System – Player Registration** – Carolyne advised all present that for season 2021-2022 – SML will be using WGS as their platform, all players must be registered on the site and this is where fixtures will be issued.
* Date for meeting to discuss training schedule/pitches and leagues to be confirmed by Carolyne and held before end of July 21.
* **Waiting List** – Alan raised the question did we want to continue with the waiting list as it was a lot of work and not being used by most managers? It was discussed and agreed by all present to scrap the waiting list and make use of New website and fb Page to advertise when vacancies arise within teams. Any player interests will be forward to relevant team managers and it is their responsibility to contact.