

# Mursley Sports Association

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## Annual General Meeting

**Date:** Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**Venue:** The Green Man Public House

**Time:** 19:30

### Attendees

Name	Position	Initials
Duncan Jones	Chair	DJ
Sandra Bettison	Treasurer	SB
Hattie Fletcher-Webb	Incoming Chair	HFW
Lois Aspinall	Marketing/Communication	LA
Justin Daley	MCC	JD
Simon Clarke	MCC	SC
Roy Cooper	MUFC	RC
Roger Gurnett	Village Representative	RG
Clare Jones	Village Representative	CJ
Simon Oldham	Village Representative	SO
Adam Clarke	Village Representative	AC

### Apologies:

Andrew Cowell  
Reshma Craine  
Lee Wickenden  
Jamie Green

### Minutes

<b>1. Pre-amble</b>  Duncan Jones announced that he was standing down as Chair of the MSA and mentioned that the first part of the meeting would be run by himself then the second part will be run by the new Chair - Hattie Fletcher-Webb	
<b>2. Minutes</b>  Confirm the minutes of the meeting – 15th January 2024	
<b>3. Chairmans Report</b>	

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This year has been a good year for the MSA with the football club going from strength to strength at a junior level and getting to the final of the U16's cup at MK stadium. Also, the cricket club had a successful season with 8 wins and 6 loses

Anyway, to the chairman's report :-

Firstly, and most of all I would like to thank current incumbent MSA officers :-

- Sandra Bettison as treasurer always keeps the accounts in immaculate order and chases late payees,
- Charlotte/Lois as secretaries during the year, providing minutes and support to the management team.

Also, thanks to the representatives from MUFC – Roy Cooper, Jamie Green and the MCC - Simon Clarke, Justin Daley and Andrew Cowell who all provide great assistance in getting the three organisations working together and are never afraid to put their point of view across

Also like to give special thanks to the volunteers who undertake Grounds Maintenance and general pavilion maintenance.

- Simon Bonham for providing our supply of diesel for the tractor and general support
- Dave Tofield for providing the knowledge and materials that are required to keep the grounds and pavilion in good order
- Clare Jones for the internal maintenance of the pavilion

## Playground Project

This year biggest success was the playground project which was opened by the Lead project co-ordinator's son Aiyan and the local MP Callum Anderson. This project took an in-ordinately amount of work, time and effort by Reshma Craine, without whose input this project would not have been completed so a huge thanks to her.

As mentioned at the previous AGM, the committee engaged very heavily with the community to see what variety of equipment was required. The feedback from users that it has been an outstanding success.

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## Events

### 2024/2025

- Hoedown and Hog roast night – dancing to a Ceilidh band and
- Mursley Food and Drink Festival – Excellent event again and raised much needed funds
- Mussel Night - which was MSA assisted was also a great night
- Xmas
  - Santa Rotary float - 19th December went well.
  - Carols at the Green Man – 14th December went well but there were less children than in 2024. Consideration was given to having different timings at the next one as well as other ideas.
- Midsummer Mursley (Murder at Mursley Hall) – a very successful and well attended event which sold out in record time

## Sports Associations

### MCC 2024

Highlights included beating Prince of Wales, Marsh twice in three games (these games are always competitive and we have come out of these close-fought games on the wrong side in the past). We also beat a strong Buckingham Town side on their ground in a tremendous all-round team performance.

Special mentions must go to Conor Baughan who had another great season with the bat, his brother Jack for his all-round play and great enthusiasm and to see James Dobree-Carey back playing regularly. Toby Barnes had a terrific season with both bat and ball and his dad Craig was his usual consistent self with the ball.

It was good to welcome both Paul Green and Adam Smith to the club and to say thank you to John Watson for his continued enthusiasm and to wish him a well-earned retirement from playing

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Thanks extends to the committee: -

Wayne Nolan for his captaincy and his admin skills to get players on the field, Sue Clarke for her work as treasurer and for co-ordinating teas - the best on our circuit, Andrew Cowell for his role as fixture secretary.

Andrew, along with Simon Clarke and Roger Gurnett, who provide such fantastic playing facilities and to all those who play and their families who support them in continuing to turn out.

## **MUFC – 2024/2025**

This season has been both one of the more rewarding ones, when we talk on the pitch, but the most challenging off of it. On the pitch we have had 175 players compete under the Mursley banner each week, ranging from 6 - 16, and for the first time, a senior women's team. We have had teams compete at the following levels:

U7, U8, U10, U11, U12, U13, U14, U16, Senior Women

In line with participation, we have increased the number of coaches that hold qualifications, for us to be able to deliver over and above the standard of most local clubs. There have been some real highs, particularly establishing more teams at the lower end of the age range, safeguarding the future, as well as an appearance at Stadium:MK for our U16's in their cup final.

This year we agreed to partner with a local charity - MK Act. This partnership is unique within the league and area. Our kits now adopt the MK Act logo as standard, as we look to increase visibility of their cause. The perception of the football club across the league is at it's highest for years, and this reputation has allowed us to grow.

Off the pitch, this has certainly been one of the most challenging seasons. Costs have increased significantly, and has put us in a vulnerable position. The 2 biggest outlays have been winter training, with the size of the MUGA, and surface, not applicable to our older teams or comparable in quality to other sites; along with the combination of rent & line marker, which were discussed after 24 / 25 budgets were set.

Maintenance remains a challenge, as we search for a middle ground on the perspective of the club versus all else. We are furthermore restricted by the recent grants that we have obtained, which can be

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applied for on a cyclical basis. As time progresses, this should open up, but short term, does not provide an option. This summer there will be significant change of personnel within the football club, which will be announced in due course.

## **Initiatives Accomplished**

Upkeep and maintenance of the pavilion,

Seeding and weeding and fertilizing accomplished as always

## **Initiatives Ahead**

Youth Group

Mursley Village fete- 5<sup>th</sup> July

Mursley Food and Drink Festival again

## **4. Treasurers Report**

- Sandra summarised as per attached

## **5. Election of Officers**

Chairman – SB proposed Hattie Fletcher-Webb and JD Seconded

Treasurer – AC proposed Sandra Bettison and CJ Seconded

Secretary – SC proposed Stella Hitner and LA Seconded

## **6. Confirm President & Life Vice-Presidents**

Neil Coles has confirmed that he would like to step down as Life President so a new one needs to be elected.

HF-W nominated Duncan Jones to become the new President and seconded by JD

Life President: Duncan Jones

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<p>Life VP's all happy to stay in post</p> <p>Life Vice-Presidents: Garry Ives, Bob Dixon, Roger Gurnett.</p> <p>Trustees: -</p> <p>Neil Coles Neil Root Alan Knowles</p>	
<p><b>7. Nomination of committee members</b></p> <p>Group Nominated: -</p> <p>Reshma Craine – Playground Representative Roger Gurnett – Village Representative (Grounds Maintenance) Clare Jones – Village Representative Lee Wickenden – Village Representative (Events) Steve Peace – Village Representative (Events)</p>	
<p><b>8. Reminder to clubs – meetings &amp; appointments</b></p> <p>MUFC and MCC need to ensure they have representatives at meetings.</p>	
<p><b>9. AOB</b></p> <p>Sprucing up the Hags unit in the playground – Sanding down and painting. SB suggested putting out to a village for a community day as there are other small jobs that are required to do. Committee to create a snagging list and then put it out to village. Decided on 22<sup>nd</sup> June</p> <p>Vandalism on the new playground – can people keep an eye out certainly around dusk, maybe link in with dog walking</p>	
<p><b>10. Meeting finished 19:30</b></p>	

MURSLEY SPORTS ASSOCIATION  
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENT ACCOUNT  
MAR 2024 TO APRIL 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £	2023 £
<b>INCOME</b>				
MUFC Rent			2,400	2,400
MCC Pitch Hire			300	250
Muga / Pitch Hire			1,701	2,055
Community Room Hire			180	304
Tractor Sale			3,000	
Vale Lottery Income			22	26
Donations			3,855	2,550
Coro Event			6,543	
Pig Racing Night				723
Take That				1,466
Halloween			37	
Santa Float / Xmas Carols			858	400
Bar Sales (Sportsmans)			5,330	20,695
Funds for Playground			3,125	
Bank Interest			57	
			<u>27,408</u>	<u>30,869</u>
<b>OUTGOINGS</b>				
TV License			158	143
Gas			1,628	811
Electric			1,135	342
Insurance			1,931	1,062
Business Rates			126	199
Water			115	101
Repairs & Grounds Maintenance			4,041	6,100
Cleaning Services & Materials			984	1,615
Event & Equipment Costs			636	2,703
Premises & Music License			312	614
Tractor Contribution			4,500	2,000
Donations to VH & Church			1,163	
Bar Stock			1,630	9,966
Coro Event Expenses			2,521	
Funds to Playground acct			4,271	
Event Expenses			169	
Take That				1,520
ICO				40
			<u>25,318</u>	<u>27,216</u>
Net Movement for Year			2,090	3,653
Opening Funds			5,586	1,933
Closing Funds			<u>7,676</u>	<u>5,586</u>
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