# Reports for AGM 1st March 2024

# Safeguardin, Social, All Stars & Dynamos 2023 Season

# Safeguarding Officer:

Safeguarding: no incidents to report during the 2023 season. A safeguarding workshop was offered and well attended by captains and coaches before the start of the 2023 season and this will be arranged again for this year.

Following Hampshire Cricket Board Safeguarding conference in March 2023 we introduced a confidential feedback mechanism for any colts to be able to provide any feedback on coaching, games or experience around the club. More information can be found on our website.

Another suggestion from the conference and changes we have implemented was a low Level Concern Reporting form.

Low-level concerns, sometimes called poor practice, are small rule breaks that breach our code of conduct or behaviour that falls below what is required by Hythe and Dibden Cricket and the ECB. A low level concern is something you have observed/been told about that you feel needs recording because:

- it may need to be shared with other volunteers / parents / professionals
- where action was taken to deal with the concern/incident
- no action was taken but the concern needs monitoring in case action needs to be taken

This support the ECB Safeguarding Strategy 2022 - 2024

DBS: Majority of captains, vice captains and coaches had DBS checks completed and all positions accepted on the Safehands System for the 2023 session. Thank you to all those who contribute to making cricket and our club welcoming for all. It's great to see so many of our colts playing adults cricket.

Club Mark Accreditation: the club is due for its 'annual health check' this year and needs to have the following in place for 30th April 2024 to maintain our accreditation:

- Complaint on the safehands system all captains, vice captains and coaches having a current DBS
- Submission of AGM minutes
- Adoption of the updated Safeguarding Policy this has been accepted by the committee and signed by chairman and safeguarding officer.
- Submission of club development plan

## Social Events:

The 4th Luca Roberts Memorial game took place in early May. Thank you to all those who played and to Tom and Sam who shaved their heads to increase the total raised.

Woody's Memorial Day was a great success with a fun 20-20 competition taking place in glorious sunshine. Great to see so many people and some great cricket including some wonderful catches.

Annual fete - was a massive success. Great to see so many people down at Jones Lane and thank you to everyone who helped. A great money earner for the club. This year's fete is Monday 27th May 2024. If you are able to support in any way please let me know. as planning is underway. As you hear we need to make sure the fete is a great success to support the club financially.

It was great to have Plus One and Karaoke in the club house. Firework night was cancelled but we are hopeful for this year including the club playing a larger part.

#### All Stars & Dynamos:

All stars saw a smaller number than in previous years with 12 registered. Hampshire Cricket board lost its All Stars development officer which we contribute to the lower number.

It was great to see so many families down the group on a Saturday morning. We are definitely seeing the benefits of all the national programmes with all our current under 9's progression from All Stars. Many thanks to Ian, Sarah, Simon, Dan and Elizabeth for all your support.

Dynamo's was cancelled this year due to low numbers We are registered to run both programmes again in 2024. We need volunteers to help with both programmes. Please let me know if you are able to help in any way. Thanks!

#### **Report completed by Dawn Bowman**

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