



Alliance International Hockey Club

Agenda for the Alliance General Assembly

to be held at the Mansion (clubhouse) of the KHC Dragons on their premises located Sportendreef 1, B-2930 Brasschaat, Belgium on the 23rd of June 2019 during the Grand Masters Hockey European Cup (19th-29th of June 2019).

1. Opening address by the President
2. Minutes of the previous General Assembly held on the 27th of June 2018 in Barcelona at Senator Hotel, Carrer del Cardenal Reig 11, 08028 Barcelona
3. Report of the activities of the year 2018/2019
4. Finance: report of the treasurer and the auditor followed by discussion about the club's finances.
5. Approval of the management of the club in the past year
6. Developments relating to bringing the WGMA and IMHA together under the umbrella of WMH
7. Revision to the Statutes of the Club
8. Membership and Selection Policy
9. Appointment of Hon. Auditor(s)
10. Election of new officers and re-election of existing officers of the club.
Election of new members of the Executive Committee
11. Any Other Business
12. Closing

Ad 2. Minutes of the previous General Assembly.

The minutes have been published in an attachment to the Newsletter 2019-03 which was distributed to our members by email on May 20th 2019. Additionally, these minutes can be found on our website www.alliancehockey.net (click on "About Alliance" and thereafter on "Latest News").

Ad 3: Report of the activities in the period June 2018 until 15th of May 2019.

In this period Alliance International Hockey Club took part in the following tournaments:

1. Grand Masters Hockey World Cup in Barcelona in June 2018 with 4 men's (O60+, O65+, O70+ and O75+) and 2 women's teams (O-60+ and O65+).
2. Masters Hockey World Cup 2018 in Terrassa in July 2018 with a women's team
3. The LUC Ronchin Lille Jacques Levy Super Veterans Hockey Tournament from 17th to 19th of March 2019
4. Wellingborough Seven-a-Side tournament from 12th to 14th of April 2019.
5. International Super Veterans Tournament in Tilburg in May 2019 with a men's and two women's teams

We were invited, but were regrettably not able to field a team to the 3rd American Championships Buenos Aires, Argentina, from 6th-9th of Dec 2018 at CLUB CIUDAD DE BUENOS AIRES, Buenos Aires. We hope that we will be able to participate in this tournament next year.



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We were additionally, for the first time, invited to field a team to the World Masters Hockey Indoor World Cup O-60 from 14th to 17th of February in Hongkong but had to withdraw because of an insufficient number of players being interested in this. In addition, the 60's category was cancelled as there were no entering. We hope that we will be able to participate in such indoor tournaments in the future.

The world-wide acceptance of Alliance as a viable member of WGMA has been proven by the interest and participation by players from hitherto not-represented countries and by the participation from represented countries, who could not put together a team in the older age groups. We are happy to continue this in the future under the WMH-banner

At the latest count the club had 318 active members (last year 262) from 32 countries. The club's database is increasing and needs further development in order to be robust enough to remain useful for the coming years. We welcome members who are able and willing to help us with this.

Ad 4 Finance

As the Grand Masters European Hockey Championships in Brasschaat are also financially by far the largest activity in the Alliance calendar, a report on the finances of the Club will be produced as per 15th of June and this information will be handed out in the meeting by our Treasurer or be sent to individual members on their request.

Ad 5. Approval of the running of the club in the past year

The Dutch law for associations requires that the General Assembly approves the management by the executive committee for the past year.

Ad 6. Developments relating to bringing the WGMA and IMHA together under the umbrella of WMH.

A WGMA meeting was held in Barcelona on June 26th and this was attended by David Fargus, Peter Terleski and Ishbel Dickens as respectively delegate, observer and observer for women. Any information obtained, matters discussed and decisions made will be reported to members.

Ad 7. Revision to the Statues of the Club

The main purpose is to allow us to field teams from age 35 upwards. This is in preparation for a possible future scenario under WMH. In addition, there are some small changes relating to finance so as to better reflect the current position.

The revised version has been published in an attachment to the Newsletter 2019-03 which was distributed to our members by email on May 20th 2019. Additionally, this revised version can be found on our website www.alliancehockey.net (click on "About Alliance" and thereafter on "Latest News").

Ad 8. Membership/Selection Policy

This concerns an update of the current position and new proposals re life membership in particular.

An increased interest from hockey players in playing for Alliance and an increasing number of nominations for certain tournaments or a specific team in a tournament has in several occasions resulted in over-subscriptions in certain teams. Until 2017 we had not experienced such, as, even when having a list of reserves, everybody who nominated was in the end able to play due to withdrawals caused by injuries or whatsoever.

Realising that selection is a serious and difficult matter and that this may become a recurrent matter in the future the Exco has prepared the "Alliance Team Selection Process" which is attached and additionally can be found on the website under "About Alliance" and then "latest News".

Ad 9. Appointment of Hon. Auditor(s).

Richard Macklin has confirmed being open for re-appointment.

Ad 10. Election of new officers and re-election of existing officers of the club.



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There are no positions up for (re-)election in 2019 in accordance with the statutory period of three years for all existing Members of the Board.

Election of John Willmott as International Development Coordinator in the Executive Committee

The primary objective of this role is to extend our reach as far as possible beyond the countries that already participate in WGMA tournaments, with a view to bringing newcomers into our fold. In the past we have tended to recruit players by word of mouth and reputation. In the over 60's circles we are reasonably well known now, but we do end up with the majority of the players coming from countries that are already represented i.e. England, Australia and Netherlands. This is something we would like to change slowly.

Additionally it becomes more clear that once the WMH is established, Alliance will be asked to establish teams in the younger age groups (i.e. currently IMHA). At present IMHA does not have a Tournament Trophy competition, so only national teams participate in their events, but it looks that there is a move to establish a Tournament Trophy type tournament in the younger age groups too and that Alliance is considered to be an integral part of this development, this will have a material influence on how we need to structure ourselves going forward.

Anybody wishing to propose other candidates for one or more of the positions open for election can do so in writing (e-mail suffices) up to 15th of June 2019.

If a member wants to propose in this manner somebody other than herself/himself, the person proposed must attach her/his acceptance of being proposed and acceptance that he/she will fill the position if elected.

Ad 11.

Members are encouraged to raise matters of concern, also to make any suggestions as to how Alliance is run and what we might do in the future.