

Falcons AGM Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022

Venue - Falcons Gymnastic Academy

Apologies

Jenny Beer

Chairman's Report

The Club Currently has 802 Active members. These range from Pre-school to Adults.

Pre-school took a dip in numbers when we came out of the Covid lockdowns. The restrictions that were placed on us limited the sessions and numbers we could have; this was mainly due to the children needing to have adults in the gym.

Things are returning to normal now, with recreational gymnastics back to where we were prior to covid. Pre-school is still down a little.

Parents viewing weeks have been very popular. A discussion was had about parents returning into the gym to watch. Those present at the meeting felt it was beneficial for the children not to have parents in the gym as the children worked better without the parents. A TV has been put in the foyer if anyone wishes to watch and viewing weeks are scheduled throughout the year.

Coaching Situation – Goodbyes to Becca and Kaycee, who had gone on to do different things. We wish them every success for the future and they will be missed.

Hello's to Natasha Connor and Alice Sumners.

Young Leaders – We have a great young leaders project which offers gymnasts of 13yrs + to start their journey as a coach. Currently we have 12 active young leaders doing some amazing work.

SheepCRM membership system – This is changing and upgrading all the time. It will soon be a lot more interactive with parents.

We are all looking forward the New Leisure Centre opening and wish them every success with this amazing sports hub.

Feedback to Recreational Parents – We are fully aware that as parents are not in on a daily basis for Recreational sessions, feedback about how your children are doing has not been great. We are currently looking at a way to give parents more feedback by half termly reports. This I'm hopeful will be active from June.

Treasurers Report – The Club is now back on an even keel. In the year 2020/21 the club had a difference in revenue from the previous year of £123,000. Thankfully grants have helped with this huge hit in income.

Moving forward - As with everyone it is difficult times; Inflation at 8%, our utilities increasing by over 1/3 and the increase in the Minimum wage has obviously had an affect on our overheads. The increase we recently made in fees will be enough for this year, but if inflation stays at the level it currently is, then another one will be needed this time next year.

A copy of the accounts can be found by using the link below.

<http://www.falconsgymnastics.co.uk/pdfs/gym%20accounts%202021.pdf>

Fundraising Group -Falcons has a really active fundraising group, who are currently helping to raise funds to send a group of Gymnasts to America for an international competition in Feb 2023. This amazing group, since Oct, have raised over £13,000 towards the £50,000 needed for the trip. If there is anyone who would like to help or know of anyone who could help sponsor the club with this project, please email [mike@falconsgym.co.uk](mailto:mike@falconsgym.co.uk)

Welfare – We now have two new welfare officers linked to the gym. In most cases clubs only have welfare officers that are coaches. We felt that we needed to have an external independent person as one of our welfare officers, so Claire Ridyard has been fully trained up and is now overseeing the safeguarding of the children with our team of other welfare officers.

If anyone has any safeguarding concerns please email [safeguarding@falconsgym.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@falconsgym.co.uk) where the Welfare team will be able to help.

Election of officers 2022

Chair – Mike Beagley

Vice Chair – Vacant

Secretary – Jenny Beer

Treasurer – Debbie Beagley

Coaches Rep – Kelly Park

Welfare Team – Claire Ridyard, Natasha Connor, Neill Guy

If anyone would like to be part of the committee, please email [mike@falconsgym.co.uk](mailto:mike@falconsgym.co.uk) we are keen for new members.