

BROOKLANDS

Brooklands Sports Club



Annual Report March 2006

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Georges Road, Sale, M33 3NL

Company No. 254098

BROOKLANDS CRICKET, LAWN TENNIS AND HOCKEY CLUB LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that the 76th Annual General Meeting of the Company will be held at Brooklands Sports Club, Georges Road, Brooklands on Wednesday, 29th March 2006 at 8.00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. To receive and confirm the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday, 30th March 2005.
2. To receive and if thought fit to adopt the Report of the Council and Audited Accounts for 2005 with the Auditors Report.
3. To elect a President, Vice-Presidents, Officers, Life Members and Members of Council and appoint the Auditor for 2006.
4. Subscriptions: The following resolution will be proposed by the Council under Article 13:

Subscriptions for all members shall be as shown on page 2 of the Notice of Meeting, payable on 1st May 2006.

- (a) The **whole subscription shall become due on that date.**
- (b) For members paying by Direct Debit, 50% of the subscription will be collected on 3rd May and the balance on 1st October.
- (c) Part season reductions will be made as applicable for new members.

This Notice shall be taken as a request for payment. Subscriptions once paid will not normally be refunded. Resignations must be submitted in writing to reach the Membership Secretary by 14th April.

BROOKLANDS SPORTS CLUB

Proposals for Subscriptions Due 1st May 2006

	Non Playing	Bowls only	All or any other sports
Single, 19 and over	£35	£70	£155
Couples each partner	£25	£60	£155
Senior Citizens	£20	£40	£40
Students aged 18	£25	£50	£55
Ex Wardens	£6	—	—

Casual Team Players	£40 up to 4 matches per year.
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FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

Couples who pay annual subscriptions of at least £310 may enrol their children, who are in full time education and are under the age of 18, free of charge.

DIRECT DEBITS

50% of the subscription will be collected on 2nd May and 50% on 1st October.

PART SEASON

Reductions may be made for members joining part way through the season. Rates available upon request from Membership Secretary.

CORPORATE MEMBERSHIP

Corporate Membership will be considered upon application to the Club.

All cheques to be made payable to
BROOKLANDS SPORTS CLUB

NOMINATIONS FOR 2006

President: I. C. Johnston

Vice-Presidents:

D. Alcock	J. G. Davis	D. J. E. Garnett
W. M. Harvey	D. Hulmes	D. Kettlewell
J. N. Marland	J. D. Marsden	B. McBurney
D. Meek	C. H. Moore	H. V. Morris
P. Simpson		R. Summers

Treasurer:

C. H. Moore, A.C.A.

Auditor:

Lunt Jordan & Co.

General Secretary:

I. C. Johnston

Membership Secretary:

D. J. Chandler

Ground Secretary:

J. D. Marsden

Football Representative:

J. Brown

Cricket Representatives:

I. Stanworth & J. N. Marland

Tennis Representative:

D. Peach

Hockey Representative:

D. Alcock

Ladies' Hockey Rep:

Ms L. Jones

Squash Representative:

S. Coldrick

Bowls Representative:

I. Thompson

Lacrosse Representative:

D. Kettlewell

Vice President Sitting on Council:

D. Meek

Other Representative:

C. Atkinson

Child Protection Officer:

D. Meek

FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

I. C. Johnston, D. J. Chandler, D. Alcock, C. H. Moore,
J. D. Marsden, C. Atkinson.

PLAYING COMMITTEE

Chairman:

C. Atkinson

Hockey:

D. Alcock

Cricket:

J. N. Marland

Ladies Hockey:

J. Renison

Lacrosse:

D, Wheeldon

Tennis:

D. Peach

Squash:

S. Coldrick

Bowls:

I. Thompson

Junior Football:

J. Brown

Secretary to Committee:

J. D. Marsden

MINUTES OF THE 75th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 30th MARCH 2005

Present: M. D. R. Land – President, S. C. Atkinson – Chairman,
C. H. Moore – Treasurer, I. C. Johnston – Secretary,
D. J. Chandler - Membership Secretary,
David Alcock - Welfare Officer, together with 31 other members.

Apologies for absence: Betty Hesp, David Marsden, David Wheeldon, Peter & Sue Vickers, Kay Bowden, Betty Dennett, June Cutler, David & Moira Hulmes, Sophie Birch.

The President opened the meeting by thanking those members who had taken the trouble to attend. He similarly welcomed the Life Members, namely Derek Chandler, Chris Moore, Howard Dabbs and Ian Johnston.

He went on to thank the F & M Committee for all their hard work during the year.

A Minutes silence was observed in memory of four members who had died during the current year, namely Christine Crompton, Hugh Bowden, Charles Scott and Jack Byrne.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the 74th Annual General Meeting were taken as read. There were no matters arising and they were duly signed and approved.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman, Carl Atkinson, said that he had enjoyed his first year in office and he had attempted to encourage various people to respond to the issues that were raised in last year's AGM. Complaints that the Playing Committee appeared to be defunct and an absence of transparency in relation to the Club's executive decision making had been addressed. He had chaired several meetings during the year with the sports sections together with the Chairman of the Ground Committee. These meetings had facilitated a clear outlook between the sections, the Chairman and the Ground Committee on behalf of the Finance & Management Committee of the Club.

He went on to state that meetings had taken place approximately every two months and the quality and quantity of information exchanged had now improved and hopefully will avoid the transmission of information by rumour.

He invited members to exchange views with the Chairman of their section so that this information could be forwarded to the Finance & Management Committee, thereby making decisions that may have a significant long term implication for the Club. These are decisions that are always driven by what is thought to be in the best interests of the Club.

In conclusion he said over the next 12 months he proposed to continue to make the executive decisions as clear as possible and he would like to see the members comply with their part of the bargain and engage with this dialogue.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Chris Moore in his address said the accounts had shown a surplus similar to last year and he was pleased with the results. On the plus side he had a cash balance of £208,000, most of which will be spent on the new all weather surface.

As there were no questions relating to the Financial Report he went on to thank John Jordan, the Club's accountant for agreeing with the figures and proposing the accounts be adopted, J. Cutler seconded the motion.

John Jordan of Lunt Jordan & Co. were once again elected to serve as the Club's Accountants.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Derek Chandler gave a resume as to how the subscriptions had been arrived at. The most noticeable change was that any playing member could play any sport. It is worth noting however that should a member wish to play an additional sport he or she must inform the Membership Secretary and the Chairman of the section concerned of the intention. He went on to say that he was not prepared to operate a direct debit on either a monthly or quarterly basis as this would be a considerable amount of extra work which he was not prepared to undertake. Mr Brown asked whether it was possible that the senior citizens age could be brought down to 60 years for both men and women. This suggestion was declined. A discount scheme would be arranged for new members joining the club for their first few of membership.

He then offered the subscriptions to the members to be adopted, Howard Dabbs seconded the motion and the proposition was accepted unanimously.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

The Chairman, Carl Atkinson, taking the Chair, said he was extremely pleased to have the privilege on behalf of the Management Committee of proposing Martin Land to serve his third year as President. H. M. U. Dabbs seconded the motion, and Martin Land was re-elected.

ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT

David Kettlewell's name had been proposed by the Management Committee as a new Vice-President to the Club. Rick Summers in giving a potted history of David's career said that he had been the First Team goal keeper between 10 and 15 years, a great organiser and still playing on Third and Fourth teams when asked. Since the Old Hulmeians joined Brooklands David has always been helpful and responded to any requests asked of him. In summing up Rick Summers said that it was an award that was well deserved.

In accepting his VP ship David Kettlewell said he was somewhat overwhelmed by Rick and humbled to receive this honour.

ELECTION OF NEW VICE-PRESIDENTS

These were taken as read from the Notice of Meeting, but certain errors had been made by the Secretary in that neither David Meek or Rick Summers names had been included in the Notice of Meeting. Pat Loftus was reinstated on the list at the same time.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL OFFICIALS

Were taken as read, proposed by the F & M Committee, seconded by J. Marland.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Proposed by F & M Committee, seconded by J. Brown. Passed unanimously. Carl Atkinson elected to serve his second year.

ELECTION OF F & M COMMITTEE

Proposed by the meeting and seconded by O. Parry.

ENDEAVOUR SHIELD

This was awarded to Jeff Gazzard. David Alcock outlined the work that had been done for two years by Jeff Gazzard in relation to the negotiations with the Planning Department for the building of the water based pitch. All the members present agreed that he had done an extremely professional job despite the fact that our application had failed.

In receiving this award Jeff said he was extremely honoured and privileged, and after a short amusing anecdote finished by saying that at times he thought dealing with the French was problematic but not half so much as dealing with Trafford Borough Council and although we eventually received our planning approval on appeal he considered that this was a failed bid. He went on to thank all the members for their help in this application, particularly naming the Secretary Ian Johnston and David Marsden Ground Committee Chairman and Derek Chandler.

MILLENNIUM CUP

Proposed by Derek Chandler that this be awarded to the Lacrosse Section this year, which was received on their behalf by Rick Summers.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Graham Fisher asked if any progress had been made towards marking Ron Rowlinson's 25 years of service to the Club. This matter is currently in hand.

Rick Summers reported that the ground was in excellent condition and expressed congratulations to David Marsden and Ron.

Howard Dabbs expressed the meeting's thanks to the President for chairing the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.10pm.

Brooklands Sports Club Annual Meeting

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is difficult to believe that my three years as president of Brooklands Sports club are about to end. When I took office I said that it was both unexpected and a tremendous honour and I still look upon the appointment in that light, particularly when I look at the list of my predecessors, all of whom made major contributions in various capacities to the continued progress of Brooklands over the years. I believe that election as President (or indeed as Vice President) should continue to enable us to recognise individual contributions to the Club.

As you will know from "Brooklands News" your Management and Finance Committee are undertaking a review of our constitution which is indeed long overdue.

I hope that when the proposals are presented for discussion, the entire membership of Brooklands Sports Club will make their views known so that the organisation of the club can be brought up to date for the benefit of both the officers running it and its members.

I make no apology for repeating my annual vote of thanks and appreciation on your behalf to Derek Chandler, Ian Johnston, Chris Moore, David Marsden, Carl Atkinson and David Alcock for all their work on the Club's behalf.

I have thoroughly enjoyed being your President and trust that my successor will enjoy his term of office as much as I have.

FINANCE & MANAGEMENT REPORT

It has been quite a busy year for the Committee.

The Astro Pitch agreement with Trafford took much longer than anticipated and we finally got the new hockey pitch replacement under way in July and completed in October.

An area of concern has been our relationship with Dragons Head Office. A number of areas in the building required attention. Action by them to remedy the defects is at last being made.

A review of the Club Constitution is ongoing. This requires detailed discussions and is very time consuming but progress has been made.

The replacement of the hockey pitch lights has yet to be started. We are very hopeful that the Hockey Association/Sport England will make us a grant for this project. If that is the case it will be possible to replace the surface of the three oldest of our Astro tennis courts this summer.

Our accounts show a small surplus for the year compared with one of £7,000 for last year. Income from hiring out the hockey pitch was reduced due to the time it was unavailable whilst the surface was being replaced. Expenditure on ground improvements was increased. An increase in depreciation due to the cost of the hockey pitch has been offset by a reduction in renewal provision which has been built up in recent years.

The budget for the coming year indicates a deficit of £5,000. Cost savings do not equate to the loss of bank interest on the money expended on the pitch and Dragons have decided that they will not pay for the hire of the hockey pitch. We will live with this deficit this year but will be looking to sections to raise more income in the future if expenditure in development is not to be decreased.

It is proposed that subscriptions shall be increased in line with inflation.

The Hockey Committee organised a most enjoyable club dinner at the Cresta Court Hotel. It is a pity that it was not supported by many members from other sections.

The work of our many volunteers is not always accorded the thanks to which they are due. A look at the winners of the Endeavour Shield indicates the diverse nature of their tasks. The Club is fortunate to have so many of them., from committee members to others carrying out individual jobs like this years nomination.

The work of Beth, Cetin and their staff behind the bar is also appreciated. Thankfully this is one area of the Club we do not have to worry about.

Members' views will be sought on smoking. Should there be a No Smoking policy in the Clubhouse? Also how best to encourage or persuade parents who regularly use the bar facilities when supporting their children to become Club members.

PLAYING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Last year I remember highlighting in my report that I was concerned about the level of "respect" which was demonstrated by some members of the club towards other individuals. Sadly I must report a further incident of inappropriate behaviour by one of our members towards representatives of Dragons. This is the 2nd year in succession that it has been necessary for me to be engaged in disciplinary proceedings against a member and once again this resulted in the suspension of their membership. I am certain that you will share my embarrassment and frustration that these type of incidents should continue to be a frustration in our relationship with Dragons.

You will see other references in these reports to the replacement of the Astro playing surface which has been a major project for the club over the past few years. The logistics of the replacement project have been a major source of discussion at the Playing Committee together with the perennial favourites such as junior development, coaching and ground facilities.

I am pleased to report that with some good fortune, cooperation and support from grant funding bodies, we have been able to replace the wooden tennis pavilion and assist the cricket section in the acquisition of a working heavy roller for the wickets. In addition, progress has been made with less "visible" projects such as the borehole which will be necessary for us to maintain the quality of our playing surfaces.

The sectional representatives on the playing committee have been much taxed over the last twelve months by the apparently unceasing stream of regulation which now applies to junior and senior amateur sport. Many of us may appreciate that dealing with this type of regulation is a sole destroying exercise and it is therefore a great credit to the cricket and lacrosse sections that they have been able to obtain "club mark" (or its equivalent) accreditation for their sections. While I would never consider that these type of kite marks are an assurance of quality in relation to junior development and coaching, I can see that parents will begin to distinguish clubs from one another based upon their achievement of these awards. It has also been made increasingly clear to us by Local Authority that these type of awards are viewed as being critical to future financial awards for the club. I anticipate that this will mean that all sports sections which have a junior development structure must now aspire to attaining these standards (and cricket and lacrosse must aspire to maintaining the standard) over the next few years.

I hope that the final year of my Chairmanship will see further steps being taken in relation to the quality of playing and junior development and less time being expended in dealing with disciplinary issues.

OBITUARIES

KAY BOWDEN

Kay Bowden, a club member for an amazing 70 years, died during 2005. Kay, a vice-president and life member, joined Brooklands as a teenager way back in 1935. She played lacrosse and tennis and captained ladies hockey. Plans are in hand to install a memorial bench by the bowling green for Kay and her equally long-serving husband, Hugh, who died the previous year.

BETTY DENNETT

Brooklands lost another long-serving member, with the death of Betty aged 84, in the summer 2005. Betty, who had a long secretarial career at Granada TV, joined in the late 1940's on her first marriage to 1st XI cricket captain Harry Barber.

R. C. NEWMAN

A member of the Club for a short period, Mr Newman died during the year. He was a social member who derived much pleasure from watching cricket at Brooklands.

AWARDS

MILLENNIUM CUP – 2006

BOWLS SECTION

ENDEAVOUR SHIELD – 2006

GRAHAM FISHER

GROUND REPORT

Quite a year we finally managed to replace the hockey pitch surface with a sand dressed surface and what a great job. We still have to complete the lights which we hope to have in place in April. We have a borehole which does produce water so we hope to have our irrigation system in place over the next twelve months.

Congratulations once again to Ron for a superb bowling green which was the envy of the other league teams. The grass tennis courts survived the dry spell but the cricket squares did not fair too well. Post season work by Ron on both squares should pay dividends this coming season. Groundsman Ron Rowlinson completed 25 years at this Club, his skill and dedication to his job are greatly appreciated by the Members.

We solved our storage problems by siting three secure metal cabins opposite the entrance to the hockey pitch, not everybodys cup of tea but they are serving the purpose well.

Our next major project will be the replacement of the old astro tennis courts. We are now in the process of organising the funding. We still have a major problem with moss on the astro tennis courts which we plan to address this summer.

A year of real progress but still lots to be done.

CRICKET

1st XI - After relegation to Division 2 in 2004 the side were determined to bounce back and an immediate return to Division 1 was a tough but achievable target. Some excellent performances were mixed with equally disappointing ones, however with 4 games to go promotion was still a possibility with the side lying in 4th place. Unfortunately the end of the season mirrored that of 2004 with 3 losses in the last 4 games and a 5th place finish. This was ultimately disappointing and the season is seen as one where the side under achieved. Biggest contributions came from Jon Birchall with 795 runs and 50 wickets, Neil Ogden with 691 runs and Nadeem Alam with 39 wickets.

2nd XI - No such disappointment on the 2nd XI. From propping up the league after 8 games few would have considered promotion a possibility never mind clinching the league title on the last day of the season. A home game against Poynton on 11th June was the start of a staggering run of 9 victories and 5 draws that saw skipper Dave Rushton, determinedly guide his team from bottom to top, just edging out Birkenhead Park by 2 points in the gloom of a Saturday evening in September. Outstanding performances came from Chris Moore with 46 wickets and Mark Law with 471 runs and 21 wickets. However the key to the success was that every player contributed significantly at some stage of the season. When a performance was needed someone stepped forward and delivered. This was epitomised by Mike Stevens' innings in the last match. At 3 for 5 after 9 overs the game and title looked lost. However a belligerent 75 from Mike followed by 3 vital wickets at the death from Paul Vesey saw the title nicked from the scouser's grasp in the fading light.

3rd XI - An excellent season with some very good results. The league has 2 definite strata with a dozen or so good teams with the remaining 10 being poor. The team duly beat the poorer sides but also competed well with the better sides and finished in a comfortable and credible 3rd place. The team was once again a mixture of youth and experience and continues to give the junior players an excellent introduction into senior cricket and hopefully greater successes in the 2nd and 1st XIs. Wickets and runs were shared amongst the 40 players that turned out for the team during the year with best returns from skipper, Dave Garnett and Pete Belwood with 28 wickets each and Ross Willard with 632 runs.

4th XI - Another excellent season for the 4th XI. Having secured promotion from CCCL division 3 they were expecting a stern test in a higher league in 2005. Promotion and the

championship were both secured on August Bank Holiday at Winnington Park. As ever the 4s was a mix of youth and experience guided by Pete Staley who now steps down as captain after 4 years. Couple this with boys 'doubling up', to provide opportunity for practising another discipline or to balance the side, it is not surprising that 38 players have turned out for the team this season. Stars with the bat were Rob Wood with 305 runs and Eliot Woodage with 223. Unusually the leading wicket taker was not the skipper but Dave Roberts with 19 wickets.

Junior Section

Once again I can report that the Junior Section continues to flourish. There were league or cup honours in virtually all age groups along with numerous representative honours for individual players. Junior players continue to successfully move up into senior cricket and now make up a significant proportion of the senior sides on Saturday. The success of these sides this season is testament to the quality of the juniors coming through our system and the people who continue to run it.

Ladies Section

The Ladies side finished the season on a high with victory at Hyde and a 4th place finish. This, after concerns over player numbers at the end of 2004, was a commendable performance and we look forward to further progress from a strengthened section next year. Top performance with bat and ball came from Sarah Sutcliffe.

In conclusion, all senior sides bar the 1st XI are now playing to the highest standard possible in the Cheshire County League. Priority must be to maintain this and see the 1st XI make significant progress to completing the full set.

TENNIS

The 2005 Season was one of mixed fortunes for the tennis section. Interest in playing team tennis was high, and the section ran 7 Men's teams, 3 Ladies teams, and a Junior mixed team for players under 17. The Men's first team under Phil Rothwell had a great season, but just missed out by coming third in North East Cheshire Div 2. The Men's 5th team under Simon Hawthorn stormed to promotion in South West Mcr Div 4 but unfortunately the Men's 3rd team in South West Mcr Div 2 were relegated. However this does raise the interesting prospect of the latter two teams meeting each other next season in Division 3 - last time this happened gave rise to fireworks all season! However with two gents as captains it should be entertaining and in good spirits next year and an intriguing battle to follow. Other Men's teams finished mid table, but its worth noting that the general level of interest was such that we may even run another Men's team next year.

The Ladies teams also had some interesting games this season, especially since they had to cope without several key players because of injury and the loss of a couple more who moved on to University. The Ladies first team under Karen Keohane in North East Cheshire Div 2 unfortunately got relegated despite their best efforts, but the other two Ladies teams managed to stay in their divisions. The good news is that post-season discussions have already highlighted some tactics to find more ladies and the prospects for next season are much more encouraging.

The Juniors are a thriving part of our section these days under the direction of Graham Fosh and Steve Garbutt, and both of these deserve our thanks for their commitment and patience. Because the older juniors have been promoted into the higher adult teams, it has meant that some of the other juniors have had to improve quickly - and it has been satisfying to see them rise to the challenge. Over the last couple of seasons we have succeeded in opening a path for juniors into the adult teams and with a bit of help from

the adults in the senior teams, there is no reason why it should not continue. All this at a time when our coach is having success with our juniors at county level can only be good for both the club and the players.

But quite apart from our team events we have every reason to be pleased with our social side as well. There is no tennis event more popular than Sunday social tennis, and at present there is plenty of evidence that our social side is growing faster than the team tennis. Social events have been on the increase this year and our thanks go out to Jim Shanks in this respect. Our finals day event was another success, and we nearly had more people at our quiz than we could handle. Since Jim 'wound down' from work our social side started 'winding up'. These days we are even having social events out of season! Finally no tennis report would be complete without our heartfelt thanks to Ron the groundsman. His efforts make our grass courts the envy of other clubs, and his commitment, combined with that of our club council, has given us a set of playing surfaces to make us proud. We also owe thanks to Steve Garbutt our coach, and the dedicated volunteers that help run our section - in fact the only negative is that we need a few more of them!

HOCKEY - MEN

This season has seen the 1st team transformed with the return of Martyn Grimley as Coach. Our Olympic hero has injected new life into the team after a difficult season last year. He has also helped raise funds for the team and the section with the injection of new sponsorship from the restaurant chain Est Est Est and Cartridge World together with funds from his own company. Thanks are due from the section to all the above and others who have helped.

The 1st Team now play in National League North and are 3rd in that League. A good start to the season was followed by disappointing results just before Christmas. It is hoped that as the League programme resumes we can find the form to get promotion. The 2nd Team, after a difficult start is now mid table in the North Premier League and beginning to show the form that made them champions last season. The remainder of the club are having a mixed season. The thirds are doing well but the 4th, 5th and 7th teams are finding games very competitive. Our link with the University of Manchester continues to produce a crop of young talent for all teams, our big weakness is in the area of junior coaching where Ric Stewart continues to be a 'voice in the wilderness'. It is an area we need to address urgently over the next year.

Finally the section would like to thank Geoff Gazzard and all the club team who helped get our new pitch. The opening ceremony involved playing England U21's in a great competitive game watched by our MP, Paul Goggins, and local Councillors. Playing against his club team was Peter Flanagan who has been playing for England Junior teams for several years. well done Peter. Thanks to all for achieving this important objective. It is the hope of the section that top class hockey will long grace its use.

HOCKEY - LADIES

Ladies hockey continues to run two senior teams and continues to develop a strong junior section. The 1st XI play in Cheshire Division 1, where they came 4th in the league last season (04/05) and a notable highlight of the season was reaching the final of the HA Vase competition against Newcastle where we narrowly missed out to a golden goal in extra time. The squad is a good mix of youth and experience and is currently regrouping after the loss of a number of key players from last season to University, retirement and emigration!

Last year the 2nd XI narrowly missed out on promotion from Cheshire Div 6 but after a

good start in 2005/6, we are top of the table going into the second half of the season. 2005/06 will also see the 2nd XI debut in the national 2nd XI Trophy competition.

LACROSSE

The four senior teams are having a mixed season this year in their respective leagues, with the only realistic chance of success resting in the cup competitions. The club is entering a transitional period with youngsters, who have progressed through the clubs junior programme, starting to make their mark in the senior teams. All four teams have now benefited from the introduction of youngsters, the challenge that lies ahead is to continue their development within the senior section.

Andrew Baxter was voted most promising young player and the award for Club Player of the year went to Russell Stead.

The success story of the junior section continues. The U12 boys team coached by Nick Hewitt and Buck Sliter retained the 8 a Side National Championship. We entered an U19 boys team in league and cup competitions for the first time. Kyle Sawyer, James Munro and Oliver Smith were selected for the 2004 Lancashire U16 team and Josh Snell, Alex Bird and Chris Summers were selected for the 2005 Lancs U16 team, both teams defeating Cheshire to retain the trophy awarded annually to the winners.

Our biggest step forwarded has been on the girls side where we have established an U16 team and are now building up the U12 team. Lucy Baxter represented Lancashire U18 Girls in the regional championship. We are now looking to develop a ladies team.

A group of thirteen boys attended a lacrosse camp in New Hampshire, USA, in the summer.

The school development programme is paying dividends with excellent school club relationships. This last year has seen over fifteen juniors graduate to senior teams. This continuing development and progression is creating a strong base for the section.

SQUASH

We currently have four men's teams who play in the North West Counties Squash League on Thursday nights and one ladies team who play in the Cheshire League on Monday nights. Both leagues run September through to April.

Anybody interested in playing team squash should contact Stuart Coldrick on mobile number 07740 202 538 or Caron Wright on 0161 749 8927.

We also run internal leagues over a six week period and anyone wishing to take part should contact Keith Kelly on 0161 980 6434.

We have a club coach Steve Hough who runs a junior coaching session each Saturday 2pm - 4pm He is also available for individual coaching his contact number is 07751 681 558.

An annual knockout competition is organised around May each year for both ladies and men's sections. 2005 men's winner was Ben Molyneux who finished ahead of Stuart Mulholland while the lady's winner was Kirsten Oliver who finished ahead of 2004 winner Hilary Naylor.

Brookland's men's 1st team consolidated their position in division 2 of the North West Counties Squash League after last season's promotion. While the 2nd team finished top of division 4 and lost 3-2 in the play off finals. The 3rd and 4th teams finished mid table. Brookland's ladies 1st team gained promotion finishing 2nd and move up to division 2 of the Cheshire league.

At long last the courts have been refurbished with just the extractor fans to be replaced soon.

Congratulations to Paul Smith who has represented England in their Over 55's Squash Team.

BOWLS

We had a few successes in 2005 season. The ladies "A" team won the Sale Ladies League and the "B" team came top in the "B" section of the league, with Marcia Cragg achieving top aggregate in the league.

The Men's LV "A" team won their division in the LV League and have been promoted to the second division. We have also managed to enlist a few new players which will no doubt be an asset to our teams next season. We will however not rest on our laurels and will continue to promote the Bowling Section both within the club and outside. Anyone who would like to play bowls from any other section of the Club will be made very welcome.

The green has been in excellent condition this year and that is very much down to the hard work of Ron and our green representative, Joe Brown, who is always on hand to encourage Ron and is not adverse to doing a fair bit himself to keep our surroundings looking good. Many thanks to Ron and Joe for all their hard work. As a result to the improvement in the condition of the green we have hosted some league competitions in 2005 and will be doing so again in 2006.

As you are all no doubt aware we have had problems with vandals damaging the area surrounding the pavilion and we believe some stringent security measures are being looked at to try to alleviate this problem. Also we have a serious problem with the condition of the roof, of the pavilion, our green representative has acquired some quotes for the necessary repairs for submission to the Sports Club committee.

Next season we hope to continue with the coaching and awareness sessions in order to try to promote our Bowling Section to the local youths since it is imperative that we get some interest in Bowling from the younger element in order to safeguard the future of the game.

It is anticipated that the playing strength of all the teams will improve during the 2006 season.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

The Sunday morning sessions continue to be very successful. They are now in their 14th year, and due to their popularity we have had to restrict membership. We still hold friendly matches against local league teams and compete in competitions during the summer months. A trip to Norway is being considered for one or two of the age groups after receiving an invitation to play there.

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**ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30th NOVEMBER 2005**

BROOKLANDS CRICKET, LAWN TENNIS AND HOCKEY CLUB LIMITED

REVENUE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th NOVEMBER 2005

	Note	2005 £	2005 £	2004 £	2004 £
INCOME FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES					
Rent received			57,120		57,675
Subscriptions			78,264		78,155
Hockey Pitch Fees			15,707		21,383
Social Events			0		0
TOTAL INCOME			151,091		157,213
EXPENDITURE					
Sporting Facilities:					
Ground maintenance		36,292		32,239	
Ground Wages	2	29,104		28,565	
Ground Equipment Depreciation		7,750		1,167	
All Weather Pitch Depreciation		56,776		23,515	
All Weather Pitch Renewal Provision		-34,000		14,250	
Sports Equipment & Affiliation Fees		31,851	-127,773	29,459	-129,195
Clubhouse Expenses :					
Utilities		852		758	
Insurances		3,345		3,739	
Building Depreciation		0	-4,197	0	-4,497
Administration & Finance					
Printing, Postage & Telephone		7,520		5,601	
Professional Fees		764		15	
Audit Fees		861		836	
Bank Charges		385		395	
Interest Received		-5,266		-4,390	
Sundry		844	-5,108	-103	-2,354
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			137,078		136,046
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR			14,013		21,167
TAXATION	4		-13,633		-14,167
TRANSFER TO RESERVES	7		380		7,000

BROOKLANDS CRICKET, LAWN TENNIS AND HOCKEY CLUB LIMITED
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30th NOVEMBER 2005

	Note	2005 £	2005 £	2004 £	2004 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Fixed Assets	5		472,997		277,041
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock		300		300	
Prepayments		2,803		5,461	
Cash In Hand & at Bank		123,938		208,746	
		127,041		214,507	
CREDITORS (Amounts falling due within 1 year)					
Members Loans		-5,150		-5,150	
Trade Creditors		-61,891		-10,535	
Accruals		-21,396		-16,563	
Taxation		-13,633		-14,167	
		-102,070		-46,415	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			24,971		168,092
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			497,968		445,133
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES					
Repairs Provision			-47,519		-81,519
			450,449		363,614
CAPITAL & RESERVES					
Revenue Account	7		7,355		6,975
Deferred Income	8		443,094		356,639
			450,449		363,614

The accounts were approved by the Club Management Committee on 9th January 2006.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th NOVEMBER 2005

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

In the opinion of the Club Council, in order to aid understanding of the Club's financial results, the format of the Profit and Loss Account as prescribed by the Companies Act 1985 is not appropriate and the Revenue Account as set out on page 17 discloses all relevant information in a form most suitable for appreciation by the members. This has no effect on the result for the year.

ACCOUNTING CONVENTION

The Accounts are prepared under the Historical Cost Convention

PITCH PERIMETER ADVERTISING

Cash received in respect of pitch perimeter advertising is credited to deferred income. The deferred income is amortised into the revenue account on a straight line basis over the period of the advertising agreement.

GOVERNMENT GRANTS AND DONATIONS

Government grants and donations received in connection with identifiable capital projects are credited to deferred income. The deferred income is amortised into the revenue account on a basis consistent with the depreciation charged on the related fixed assets.

DEPRECIATION

Depreciation is provided on all tangible assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its expected useful life as follows.

Buildings	10% per annum on Reducing Balance Method
Ground Equipment	30% per annum on Reducing Balance Method
Squash Courts	10% per annum on Reducing Balance Method
All-Weather Pitches	10% per annum on Reducing Balance Method

STOCK

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realised value.

ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

These accounts have been prepared under applicable accounting standards.

2. STAFF

Wages and Salaries are as shown in the Revenue Account.

The average weekly number of employees during the year was made up as follows

	2005	2004
Ground Staff	1	1
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	1	1
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3. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

No entitlement to Directors' remuneration exists and none has been paid

4. TAXATION

The Company, being a members club, is only liable to tax on interest and rent received.

	2005	2004
	£	£
Corporation tax @ 19%	13,633	14,167
Adjustments in respect of previous years	-	-
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	£13,633	£14,167

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Squash Courts £	Ground Equipment £	All Weather Surfaces £	Total £
COST				
At 1.12.04	65,115	28,938	597,898	691,951
Additions	—	25,612	283,278	308,890
Disposals	—	—	-212,780	-212,780
At 30.11.05	65,115	54,550	668,396	788,061
DEPRECIATION				
At 1.12.04	65,085	28,216	323,609	414,910
For the year	—	8,500	55,757	54,257
Disposals	—	—	-164,103	-164,103
At 30.11.05	65,085	34,716	215,263	315,064
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 30.11.05	30	19,834	453,133	472,997
At 1.12.04	30	2,722	274,289	277,041
Depreciation Charge				
For the year	0	8,500	55,757	64,257
Deferred income release	—	-750	-47,658	-48,408
Net charge	0	7,750	8,099	15,849

Deferred income of £48,408 in connection with Government grants and donations has been credited to the Revenue Account to give a net depreciation of £15,849 (2004 £24,682).

6. LIMITED LIABILITY

The Company is limited by Guarantee, and does not have a share capital. The liability of each member of the Club under the terms of the guarantee is limited to £2.10p.

7. REVENUE ACCOUNT

	£
At 30.11.04	6,975
Suplus for year after taxation	380
At 30.11.05	7,355

8. DEFERRED INCOME

	Grants re Fixed Assets £	Life Membership Subscriptions £	Total £
Balance at 1.12.04	62,655	293,984	356,639
Received in year	142,500	—	142,500
Credited to Revenue Account	-48,408	-7,637	-56,045
Balance at 30.11.05	156,747	286,347	443,094

9. CASH FLOW STATEMENT

The company qualifies as a small company and consequently no cash flow statement has been prepared.