

WBISC, Whitley Bay Ice Rink, Hillheads Rd, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE25 8HP

2024 Chair Report

This is my first year as Chair and I am very honoured to of been elected.

I would like to thank the committee for all their help and support over the past year. I look forward to working alongside the committee in 2025. At the beginning of the year we appointed a new Treasurer and Secretary. These roles have been well supported by David and Lisa.

This past year we have successfully held three competitions (two simulations and one IJS). These have been very successful and were well received. We are expanding our competitions this year to three simulations and the annuals IJS competition. I would like to thank everyone who helps and goes above and beyond for the club to be able to hold these events. We do struggle a little with volunteers at these events, therefore I hope this year more members will be available to help.

David as our treasurer has been an amazing asset. I personally would like to thank David for everything he has done to get our accounts to a professional level and not only doing his treasury role but, also being my right hand man. As David is resigning from the Treasurer position. He is leaving in an official capacity but will be by our side for any help and guidance. I can't thank you enough for all you have done for our club and whoever takes over will find everything very easy to follow and know it's all being done correctly.

Lisa as our new secretary has transformed the role and is now on top of its expectations and I am immensely grateful for her support and commitment.

Giles our competition secretary has proved invaluable and I am extremely sad that he is resigning, however I am very pleased to say he is staying on the committee. Whoever is the new competition secretary will be following in very big footsteps!

Sue as always has organised test sessions with the great ability and effectively executed these events. Thank you once again.

We welcomed onto our committee a member of the coaching team Natalie. It is great to see our bond with the coaching team is growing.

I would like to also thank Rachel Pope for the extremely demanding role of fundraising officer and how she goes above and beyond to try and raise as many funds for our club whilst hitting quite a few stumbling blocks on her way. Hopefully 2025 we will see a greater support from all aspects to secure our club and give as much back to our members as possible.

Going into 2025 I would like to see the club grow and flourish in its membership and the activities we could hold. We will also be recruiting deputies of all major roles, as this is helpful if life gets in the way as, we all know this can happen.

Finally, thank you to all our members, Whitley Bay Ice Rink and all officials of our club for your support and commitment.

Kirsha Beasy 12/01/2025