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**Introduction**

This has obviously been a very quiet year, with virtually no competition. There has been liaison with Sports Bookings when training and competition has stopped and then resumed……an on/off situation that existed all year. The Borough Council has been very supportive and helpful during these difficult times. It was good to see some members involved in the few Club competitions we did hold and a big thanks is due to those organising them.

**Club Shop**

The Club Shop was successfully launched, despite it not being the best of times for members to be needing kit. It has been good to see the Club colours and designs out in force at the limited competitions and training sessions we have held. Special polo shirts for officials, team managers and coaches have been designed. All kit can be personalised with a person’s initials if they so choose.

The Club kit can be divided into:

* those garments that are available all year round and can be ordered at any time, from our online Club Shop
* made to order (MTO) items are made in Sri Lanka and can, therefore, only be ordered 2 or 3 times a year, when we have to place bulk orders. The minimum requirement is 6 items of any size, per type of garment. I notify all members by email, Facebook and by posting on the website when these ‘windows’ are open.

Club Shop <https://teamwear.nxt-sports.com/shop/basingstoke-mid-hants-athletic-club>

**Basingstoke and Deane Community Lottery**

We have registered to become part of this scheme, which is administered by Basingstoke Voluntary Action. BVA initiated the lottery because they recognised that organisations such as ours have seen a negative impact on funding in 2020.

Tickets cost £1 and every week players of the lottery can win a £25,000 jackpot, plus smaller prizes.

We will imminently have our own lottery page and 50p in every pound spent by players using our webpage will come directly to the Club. 10p in every pound goes into a general Basingstoke good causes fund, with the remainder being put towards prizes, operating costs and VAT.

I will email all members when our page goes live. Meanwhile you may like to look at the site;

[www.bandcommunitylottery.co.uk](http://www.bandcommunitylottery.co.uk)

**Publicity**

We have submitted several articles, with accompanying photos, to the Basingstoke Gazette and Basingstoke Observer.

**Policies**

Anna O’Neil, Minutes Secretary, and I are reviewing all the Club policies to make sure they are in line with legislation and reflect current good practice.