BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY

TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Founded 1948 Affiliated to the English Table Tennis Association

MINUTES of the Sixty-eighth ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (2015/2016 Season) held at Stoke Mandeville Community Centre, Eskdale Road, Stoke Mandeville, Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, Friday 3rd June 2016, at 19.45 hours.

1. IN THE CHAIR.

BN Spencer, Chairman, who welcomed the President, Honorary Life Members and other members present.

2. VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT.

Officers and National Councillor (1 vote each): **Chairman**, BN Spencer, HLM; **Vice-Chairman**, BC Whitehead; **General Secretary**, Sue Hayes; **Treasurer**, NJ Hansell, HLM; **County Match Secretary**, RJ Hedley, HLM; **Umpires Secretary**, AJ Greenham; **Coaching Officer**, KG Phillips, HLM; **General Secretary** and **National Councillor**, RR Washington, HLM.

Local League Accredited Representatives: **Aylesbury**, BC Whitehead\* (4 votes); **Chalfonts**, N Naylor-Smith (3 votes); **Chiltern**, BN Spencer\* HLM (3 votes); **High Wycombe**, NJ Hansell \* HLM (4 votes); **Milton Keynes**, G Ridgway (4 votes). (\* in dual capacity)

3. LOCAL LEAGUES WITH NO ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT. None.

4. ALSO PRESENT.

**President**, RR Washington\*, unattached.

**Others**: Carl Furness, Milton Keynes.

5. TOTAL RECORDED ATTENDANCE. 11 Persons.

6. BALLOT PROCEDURE.

It was agreed that the ballot procedure already documented and the

appointment of scrutineers should be considered if a ballot became necessary.

7. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

M Atkinson, Chiltern; S Hansell, High Wycombe; D.Hughes, Chalfonts.

8. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Minutes of the 2015 AGM held Friday 5th June 2015 were read and approve unanimously.

Proposed RR Washington. Seconded BC Whitehead.

9. MATTERS ARISING from Item 8 not covered by the Agenda. None.

10. MANAGEMENT COUNCIL REPORT (excluding Finance)

The General Secretary said that it had not been practicable to produce a composite report. Individual written reports were presented by the General Secretary, and County Match Secretary.

**Management Council.** (General Secretary, S Hayes)

Five Local Leagues had affiliated for the 2014/2015 Season: Aylesbury, 40 teams in four divisions; Chalfonts, 23 teams in 3 divisions; Chiltern,12 teams in 2 divisions; High Wycombe, 38 teams in 4 divisions; Milton Keynes, 61 teams in 8 divisions.

Seven Council meetings were held with an average of 9 members attending each one. The

number of Council meetings at which each Local League was represented was: Aylesbury 6,

Chalfonts 4, Chiltern 7, High Wycombe 6, Milton Keynes 4.

Thanks are due to Ken Phillips for acting as Minutes Secretary throughout the Season.

Closed Championships 2015-2016

These were held at Cippenham Table Tennis Club on Sunday 17th April 2016

WINNER(s) RUNNER(s) UP

VETS SINGLES D BAXTER A CHERRY

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MENS SINGLES CON S THAKKER G RIDGWAY

MENS DOUBLES R HANSELL A CHERRY

N HANSELL C BROWN

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J WALKER C EVANS

MIXED DOUBLES D BAXTER R HANSELL

J WALKER S HANSELL

Thanks are due to Tony Greenham and Ken Phillips for organising and running the event.

Interleague Competition

This was held on 22nd November 2016. A total of eight teams competed with four in each division.

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| **DIVISION 1** |  | W | L | F | A | Pts |
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| HIGH WYCOMBE A | | 3 | 0 | 20 | 7 | 20 |
| MILTON KEYNES A | | 2 | 1 | 18 | 9 | 18 |
| AYLESBURY A | | 1 | 2 | 8 | 19 | 8 |
| CHALFONTS | | 0 | 3 | 8 | 19 | 8 |
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|  |  |  | P | W | L | % |
| Robert Hansell (High Wycombe A) | | | 9 | 9 | 0 | 100.0 |
| Libor Budvesel (High Wycombe A) | | | 9 | 8 | 1 | 88.9 |
| Alan Cherry (Milton Keynes A) | | | 9 | 7 | 2 | 77.8 |
| Shandor Czuczor (Milton Keynes A) | | | 9 | 7 | 2 | 77.8 |
| Adam Reed (Chalfonts) | |  | 6 | 3 | 3 | 50.0 |
| Craig Brown (Milton Keynes A) | | | 9 | 4 | 5 | 44.4 |
| Tim Cheek (High Wycombe A) | | | 9 | 3 | 6 | 33.3 |
| Andy Misseldine (Aylesbury A) | | | 9 | 3 | 6 | 33.3 |
| Ben Naylor-Smith (Chalfonts) | | | 9 | 3 | 6 | 33.3 |
| Darren Palmer (Aylesbury A) | | | 9 | 3 | 6 | 33.3 |
| Mark Scott (Aylesbury A) | |  | 9 | 2 | 7 | 22.2 |
| Shae Thakker (Chalfonts) | |  | 6 | 1 | 5 | 16.7 |
| Rhys Thoroughgood (Chalfonts) | | | 6 | 1 | 5 | 16.7 |
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| The Sewell Trophy for the most wins by a Bucks player was won by Robert Hansell. | | | | | | |
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| **DIVISION 2** |  | W | L | F | A | Pts |
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| HIGH WYCOMBE B | | 2 | 1 | 21 | 6 | 21 |
| MILTON KEYNES B | | 2 | 1 | 16 | 11 | 16 |
| AYLESBURY B | | 2 | 1 | 13 | 14 | 13 |
| MILTON KEYNES C | | 0 | 3 | 4 | 23 | 4 |
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|  |  |  | P | W | L | % |
| Rob Hazelwood (High Wycombe B) | | | 9 | 9 | 0 | 100.0 |
| Peter Bannister (Milton Keynes B) | | | 9 | 6 | 3 | 66.7 |
| Dave Croucher (High Wycombe B) | | | 9 | 6 | 3 | 66.7 |
| Mark Croucher (High Wycombe B) | | | 9 | 6 | 3 | 66.7 |
| Thai Lieu (Milton Keynes B) | | | 9 | 6 | 3 | 66.7 |
| Atif Kaudri (Aylesbury B) | |  | 9 | 5 | 4 | 55.6 |
| Dave Ralls (Aylesbury B) | |  | 9 | 5 | 4 | 55.6 |
| Ryan Murphy (Milton Keynes B) | | | 9 | 4 | 5 | 44.4 |
| Dave Wackrill (Aylesbury B) | | | 9 | 3 | 6 | 33.3 |
| Sarah Hudson (Milton Keynes C) | | | 9 | 2 | 7 | 22.2 |
| Jiten Pitamber (Milton Keynes C) | | | 9 | 2 | 7 | 22.2 |
| Gerald Ridgway (Milton Keynes C) | | | 9 | 0 | 9 | 0.0 |
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Thanks are due to Mike Atkinson for organising the event and to David Badham for his help on the day.

Finally I would like to express my thanks to Ron Washington for his help and support throughout this season in my new role as General Secretary.

SJH’s report was adopted unanimously.

**County Championships.** (County Match Secretary, RJ Hedley)

We entered one team in The Senior Division (open age group), one team in the Cadet age group, one team in the Junior age group, two teams in the Veteran age group and one team in the Over 60s age group.

**The Senior Team (First team)** played in Division 2B and finished third out of 8. They won 3 drew 3 and lost 1. We are lacking in quality women players at this level and this affected our chances of promotion. The standard for Division two is very high and in no way reflects on our women.

The County was represented by Ian Musk (MK), Robert Hansell (HW), Stephen Munson (Ayls) Daniel Baxter (HW) for the men and Susan Hayes (CIPP) & Shristi Ghosh (HW) for the women.

**Cadet Team** played in Division 1B and finished 8th out of 10. They won 2 drew nil and lost 7.

Unfortunately due to illness and lack of girl players we played the second session with one girl short. This made it difficult to compete and also caused us to be fined. Shae Thacker was also unavailable for the second session due to tournament commitments.

The County was represented by Shae Thacker (CIPP) Max Pennington, James Perks, Gian Remnant, Pranav Gudipatti (CHI), Harry Van De Zwart(CHI) and Amandeep Dhak (CIPP) for the boys and Jemma Walker (CHA) & Shristi Ghosh (HW) for the girls.

**Junior Team** played in Division 2D and finished 2nd out of 6. They won 3 drew nil and lost 2.

The team performed well in a strong division. We are short of strong players throughout the team which possibly prevented us from winning the division.

The County was represented by Sam Cartwright (MK) , Shae Thacker (CIPP) , Gian Remnant ( ) and James Perks (CHI) for the boys. Jemma Walker (CHA), Shristi Ghosh (HW) and Megan Ashfield (CIPP) represented the girls.

Veteran First Team played in Division 1B and finished 6th out of 8. They won 3 drew nil and lost 4.

Having been promoted in consecutive seasons this was going to be a tough but interesting season for the Veteran first team. A 10 nil defeat in the first match did not bode well for the season. A match in which we did not have our No 1 man, Ian Musk who missed the first session. His return strengthened the team and we did well to avoid relegation. The position could have been improved but we did play our final match on an evening when two players were unavailable and we lost narrowly to Wiltshire 6 4. We had already secured a Division 1 spot for next season when the decision was made to put out a weaker side.

The County was represented by Ian Musk (MK), Daniel Baxter (HW), Alan Cherry (MK), Nick Hansell (HW) and Tim Cheek (AYLS) for the men. Dawn Pearce (HW) and Mary Heffernan (HW) represented the women.

**Veteran Second Team** played in Division 3C and finished 4th out of 8. They won 4 drew 1 and lost 2.

The team got off to the worst possible start when due to unavailability and injury it meant we put out very weak teams over the first weekend. Fortunately availability improved and a very creditable fourth place was attained.

The County was represented by Nick Hansell (HW), John Cooper (HW), Chris Haines (HW), Tim Cheek (AYLS), Robert Hazelwood (CHAL), David Wackrill (MK), Paul Savage (HW) and Ron Hedley (HW) represented the men. Mary Heffernan (HW) represented the women.

**Over 60s Team** played in Division 1B and finished 2nd out of 8. They won 5 drew 1 and lost 1.

This was an excellent second season and may have been even better if we could convince our Over 60s players to play two days of a weekend. Kent have a lady over 80 who manages to play two days of a weekend, a fitness plan for the Over 60s seems in order.

The County was represented by Nick Hansell (HW), John Cooper (HW), David Wackrill (MK), Mike Atkinson (CHI) and Gerald Ridgway (MK) for the men. Muriel Hooker (HW), Sue Lewis ( MK) and Susanah Hansell (HW) represented the women.

We thank Cippenham Table Tennis Club for the use of their venue and for all their hardworking volunteers especially David and Elena Tant, Ken Phillips, Susan Hayes and Malcolm Makarian.

Ron Hedley (CU) and Ken Phillips (TR) refereed the sessions we put on at Cippenham Table Tennis Club. A thank you to all the players who umpired during their matches and to Arthur Clark (Essex) for organising our Junior Division at Cippenham TTC and Ellenborough TTC.

My thanks to captains and selectors especially Alan Cherry, Nick Hansell and Ken Phillips for all their help during the season. Also to all the parents who helped transport teams and supported our Juniors and Cadets at matches.

If you have been missed in my thank you I apologise and thank you now.

RJH’s report was adopted unanimously.

**Umpiring** (Umpires Secretary, AJ Greenham).

Carl Furness was congratulated on gaining his new Umpires qualification.

**Coaching** (Coaching Officer, KG Phillips)

KGP gave a verbal report. There is still a lack of girls coming through the coaching system to play for the Junior County Teams.

KGP was thanked for his efforts.

11.MANAGEMENT COUNCIL REPORT FINANCE. (Treasurer, NJ Hansell)

The Treasurer reported that the 2014/2015 Accounts had been successfully audited, and presented Provisional (unaudited) Accounts for 2015/2016. There was a small loss due to the purchase of new County shirts and both the Interleague and Closed Championships returned a small profit.

As permitted by the Rules of the Association, the Accounts were approved subject to audit. NJH was thanked for his hard work.

NJH proposed that affiliation fees are halved for 2016/2017 season. This was seconded by NNS and agreed unanimously.

12.RULE CHANGE PROPOSITIONS.

None received.

13.ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The General Secretary reported that by the closing date for nominations one written nomination had been received for each of the following officers who were therefore elected unopposed:

Nominee Nominated by

Chairman BC Whitehead (Ayl) RR Washington

Vice-Chairman No nomination received

General Secretary SJ Hayes RJ Hedley (HW)

Treasurer NJ Hansell (HW) AJ Greenham (Ayl) County Match Secretary RJ Hedley (HW) KG Phillips

Inter-League Secretary MW Atkinson (Chi) SJ Hayes

Coaching Officer KG Phillips RR Washington

Ron Washington gave tribute to Brian Spencer for his outstanding service over 40 years. He was presented with a plaque as a thank you and commemoration of this.

Brian Spencer also gave tribute to Ron Washington for his outstanding service and offered thanks from everyone.

Carl Furness (MK) agreed to stand for election to the vacant office of Umpires Secretary and was elected unanimously.

Nominee Proposer Seconder

Umpires Secretary Carl Furness (MK) KG Phillips RR Washington

14.ELECTION OF PRESIDENT.

Council proposed the election of Ron Spencer. This was carried unanimously.

15.ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENTS.

Council proposed that the current Vice-Presidents be re-elected en-bloc: WM Clark; P Leckie (Snr); DG Martin; Mrs JP Parker MBE; M Rhodes; Mrs S Snaith; GP Trimming; A Watson.

The proposal was carried unanimously.

16.ELECTION OF HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS.

No nominations were received.

17.ELECTION OF HONORARY AUDITOR.

On a proposal by KG Phillips, seconded by Ron Washington, Mrs S Snaith (MK), was re-elected unanimously as Auditor for 2015/2016. Mrs Snaith was thanked for her valuable services.

18.OTHER BUSINESS.

County Teams for 2016/17. The General Secretary reported that after seeking the views of the Local Leagues and Cippenham TTC, Council had decided that the teams entered should be (last year in brackets): Senior 1 (1); Junior 1 (1); Cadet 0 (); Veteran 2 (2); Over 60,1(1).

Mike Atkinson requested that all local leagues inform him of any changes to the Interleague contact details.

Nigel Naylor-Smith reported that the chair of Table Tennis England was the guest speaker at the Chalfonts AGM.This proved to be a most successful and interesting event.

19. The meeting closed at 20.25 hours with a vote of thanks to AJ Greenham for arranging the

venue.