

CHILTERN TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE

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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting: 23rd May, 2013

Opening: The Annual General Meeting of the CHILTERN TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE was started at 19:35 on 23rd May 2013 at The Committee Rooms, Amersham Community Centre

Item: 1 (Chairman's Report)

- 1 The Chairman welcomed everyone, especially Vice-President Bob Sargeant and Bucks President Ron Washington

Item: 2 (Present and Apologies)

- Present: Brian Spencer (Chairman), Tony Greenham (Vice-Chairman), Simon Evans (Treasurer), Mark Yelland (Match Secretary), Steve Whitehead (Tournament Secretary), Dain Givens (General Secretary), Bassam Mocharrafi, Ray Sippit, Ron Washington, Des Morris, Bryan Monk, Bob Sargeant, Richard Beckett, Mark Croucher, Mike Atkinson, Chris Hains, Jackie Leigh (Attendance 17)
- Apologies: Edna Hall (President), Richard Higham, Dave Swift, Eddie Martin
- Absent: No representative from Lee Common

Item: 3 (Presentation of awards to Juniors)

- 2 No Juniors present

Item: 4 (Minutes of the last AGM)

- 3 INTRODUCTIONS: R. Washington is Bucks President not Chairman
- 4 4.8: the Juniors lost 3, not 4
- 5 5: National Junior League to replace Nationals, 6 teams were entered into the National Cadet League
Proposed S.W, 2nd T.G. 9 for, 0 against, 7 abstentions

Item: 5 (Officers Reports)

Chairman

- 6 The Chairman noted that most players did not like the current league format, and that the Match Secretary had an impossible task dealing with cancellations - thus the Committee had decided to strictly enforce all rules for the forthcoming season. He congratulated Chiltern A on winning the 1st division, Community Centre C for winning div. 2 and St. Mary's 'B' for winning the 3rd division

He continued by thanking Jackie Leigh for putting the handbooks together and Ian McNab for running the Saturday sessions at Chesham Leisure Centre.

He also communicated to the AGM that he had received a note from the President who was absent from the AGM due to ongoing ill health

General Secretary

- 7 Thanked the AGM, the committee and the Chairman for their support of the past year, but informed the AGM that he would not continue with his current role due to impending emigration.

He also reported to the AGM that attendance at committee meetings was up from the previous year at 76%

Treasurer

- 8 The treasurer reported a deficit for the 1st time in a while, mainly due to having to pay for the production of the handbook

The Treasurer stated that he felt the league should not pay for any league hire (as in the case of Dr. Challenors High School)

On inspection of the financial report produced, the AGM decided that there appeared to be omissions. The Treasurer stated that this was the state of the finances when the report was produced and audited, but that they may have changed since then. It was generally agreed that the accounts would be amended and presented to the committee at a later date.

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Match Secretary

- 9 Reported that it had been an interesting 1st season for him, and that lessons have been learnt that should help the next season run more smoothly - mainly with enforcement of the league rules and how to run the website

He re-iterated the Chairman's statement that teams appear to not like playing each other three times.

Additionally he reported that div. 2 and 3 were competitive, but that div 1 wasn't - partly due to a high number of games not being played

League Winners:

Division 1: Chiltern A

Division 2: Community Centre C

Division 3: St. Mary's B

Leading Players:

Division 1: Mike Atkinson (P36 W36)

Division 2: Dave Hales (P33 W33)

Division 3: Joshua Simpson (Junior) (P40 W35)

Tournament Secretary

- 10 **Team Handicap**

A plate competition was run alongside the Team Handicap this season, but due to issues with player availability several matches were conceded. The results of the finals (played on 14th March) were

Team Handicap: Chiltern A beat Riverside

Plate: Little Missenden B beat St. Mary's B

It was also noted that this was the first year teams knew handicaps before starting matches, which seemed to work well though it was not to everyone's liking

Closed Championships

These were cancelled due to an issue with the booking for the original date, and a lack of interest shown by players for the alternative date.

Development

- 11 No officer, however a sub-committee has been started to address development issues going forward

County Representative

- 12 Reported that the County AGM will be held on 6th June, and that County are looking for a General Secretary.

County teams had not performed well this year, largely due to lack of availability of the best players.

The County Closed Championships were cancelled for this year due to lack of interest, and to encourage greater interest in future they may be held at Cippenham rather than Milton Keynes.

Finally it was reported that County has decided not to raise affiliation fees for the forthcoming season.

Item: 6 (Amendments to the Constitution and Rules)

- 13 The following rule amendments and addition were proposed to and passed by the AGM
14 Rule 3.1 amended to:
The AGM shall be held by 30th June each year and shall consist of players from each fully paid up team that has played in the current season. Each player shall be allowed one vote. All member team shall send a member of their team to the AGM and if not represented shall be fined a figure as decided at the previous AGM.

Proposed T.G., 2nd M.Y.

Passed 9 for, 0 against, 7 abstentions

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- 15 Rule 8.3 amended to:
Teams shall consist of three players. Each player shall play each player of the opposing team one set, the best of five games. If agreed by the committee prior to the commencement of the season, there shall be one doubles set. The order shall be as indicated on the official score card, unless mutually agreed otherwise by the Captains.

Proposed D.G., 2nd S.E.
Passed 8 for, 4 against, 4 abstentions
- 16 Rule 8.8 amended to:
The result of each match must be sent on an official score card either by post or email by the home team secretary to the Match secretary. The score card must be in the possession of the Match Secretary not later than Wednesday of the week following that in which the match should have been played. If sent by post it must be posted by Monday of the week following that in which the match should have been played, the postmark being considered for the purpose of this time limit. In the case of late notification the club shall be fined a sum agreed at the AGM for each week, or part of a week, the notification and/or fine remain outstanding.

Proposed J.L., 2nd M.A.
Passed unanimously
- 17 Rule 11.6 amended to:
Home teams are responsible for sending in the score card, which should be posted or emailed immediately after the game is finished. The winning team captain communicate to the Tournament Secretary within 24 hours of the completion of the match, with the result. Failure to comply with this rule will be dealt with by the Committee as under Rule 8.8.

Proposed M.Y., 2nd T.G.
Passed 7 for, 0 against, 9 abstentions
- 18 Rule 11.10 amended to:
Nine singles matches and, where agreed to by the committee prior to the commencement of the competition, one doubles match which will be played as per the sequence on the current league score card.

Proposed D.G., 2nd S.E.
Passed unanimously
- 19 Additional Rule:
Each club shall appoint a Team Captain for the team they enter into the League. The League Committee can elect not to accept the nominated person as a Team Captain. The Team Captain shall provide details enabling them to be accountable for matters regarding their team.

Proposed M.A., 2nd T.G.
Passed unanimously
- Item: 7 (Establishment of Subscriptions, Fees and Fines for the succeeding season)
- 20 Proposed to keep current fees

Proposed M.A., 2nd R.S.
Passed unanimously
- 21 It was generally agreed that although the AGM had the powers to alter fines at the meeting, as no proposals had been put forward ahead of the meeting it would be better for the committee to discuss proposals first and give league teams, captains and players notice and time to consider any changes. Thus either a EGM should be called to discuss a proposed fines changes, or this should be left until the following AGM.

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Item: 8 (Election of Officers and other members of the Committee)

22	Chairman -	Brian Spencer	Prop TG 2 nd JL	Unanimous
	Vice Chairman -	Tony Greenham	Prop DM 2 nd JL	Unanimous
	Treasurer -	Simon Evans	Prop RS 2 nd TG	Unanimous
	General Secretary -	Mike Atkinson	Prop DG 2 nd DM	Unanimous
	Tournament Secretary -	Steve Whitehead	Prop BS 2 nd TG	Unanimous
	Match Secretary -	Mark Yelland	Prop SE 2 nd DM	Unanimous
	Press Secretary -	Mike Atkinson	Prop DG 2 nd JL	Unanimous
	Development Secretary -	No Officer		
	County Representative -	Tony Greenham	Prop BM 2 nd JL	Unanimous
	Committee -	Jackie Leigh	Prop TG 2 nd SW	Unanimous
		Ray Sippitt	Prop SE 2 nd TG	Unanimous
		John Clarke	Prop SE 2 nd JL	Unanimous

Item: 9 (Election of Auditors)

23 DG Proposed Eddie Martin, Seconded by TG. Passed unanimously

Item: 10 (Any Other Business)

24 It was noted that trophies had not been returned by Community Centre Table Tennis Club

Item: 3 (Presentation of awards to Senior Players)

25 This was carried out by the Chairman

(Closing)

- The meeting ended @ 22:03