

MANSFIELD & DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES: WEDNESDAY 2ND JULY 2014

MINUTES

- 1. Opening of meeting by Chairman with apologies for absence: Andy Bunting away on holiday, Malcolm Allsop had another commitment, Fiona Ridgwell away on holiday & Stan Zygadlo on afternoon shifts There were 10 members & 7 committee members in attendance
- Minutes of 2013 AGM: The members present accepted the minutes dated Tuesday 16th July 2013 Brian Roddis Proposed minutes & Joe Zygadlo Seconded

MATTERS ARISING

Shipham Shield Competition: Format discussed at length at last AGM (Tuesday 16th July 2013) it was decided that there should be a rule change proposed at least one month before scheduled AGM. Joe Zygadlo discussed utilizing the rating system for the formula but players standards vary from season to season, the majority of the results came out within range of 20-30 points. Andy Bunting was very upset we didn't change the system so would propose it for following AGM.

3. Review of 2013-2014 season: Brian Roddis

We had 18 teams in the league this season as compared to 17 last year competing in 2 divisions (9 in each) county wise this was good news because Worksop & Nottingham membership went down. The fixtures went pretty well on time & Stan kept the 365 website up to date.

Congratulations to the eventual winners Zygabyte A in Division One & Ravenshead Pheonix in Division Two with Ravenshead Rascals & Black Bull runners up respectively.

At the time of writing this report I have not seen the accounts but I believe entrees were down in the Autumn Cup & slightly up in the Annual competitions with the Showstoppers well supported. The Yuletide had a disappointing entry as did the Mick Dennis Trophy

Looking back on presentation night I spoke to Alan Cooke on the Wednesday before the date & he said that he was still recovering from the return from Japan but was hopeful of coming. Ultimately he contacted Sam Walker on the Friday morning & told him he wouldn't make it but I am sure you will agree that Sam Walker & Chris Doran did us proud. The only downside was the lighting situation & the committee will have to look into this.

Looking over the season I believe we have found some new enthusiasts in the Ravenshead Ping Pongthers & an IT wizard in Ben Swain, well done lads

Finally thanks to the committee for their continual support & to Bill Davison for hosting our meetings

4. Treasurer's report. Debbie Kider produced an annual statement for the accounts, the members in attendance happily accepted the figures

Dick Johnson bought up the issue with fines in rule book & why we hadn't any income, he thought that every team could send at least one member from their team. Also asked if we had sent any letters out?

Debbie said that it wasn't something we could actively force as previously letters had been sent without teams sending any money, it was better to relax the rule as we wanted to keep the Mansfield League running

Mick Dennis trophy hardly any representation (Over 50's Division Two)

Joe said that's one competition he doesn't organize but Bill Davison does it on his behalf, Joe still rings around for entrees. We have co-opted Graham Smith onto the committee to organize Mick Dennis for the forthcoming season

Presentation night, Summit Centre only charge for buffet: Joe suggested Boothy's for following year & Derek Clarke did say if we did want to hold any competitions it wouldn't be a problem Debbie to e-mail Kaye re lighting at Summit Centre (Ben Swain already contacted Kaye)

5. Auditors report: Andy Bunting had approved a true record of the accounts for 2013/2014

"Once again Debbie has produced an excellent set of accounts, simple, straightforward and accurate!"

Profit for the year is up £384 on last year, mainly due to a reduction in the cost of the annual championships of £200, an increase in revenue from competitions of £66, and an increase in profit from Player Registrations of £80."

6. Election of officers:

Bill Davison, President: Barry Clare Proposed, Graham Smith Seconded Brian Roddis, Chairman: Joe Zygadlo Proposed, Glen Holmes Seconded Joe Zygadlo, Vice Chairman, Competitions Secretary & Coaching Assistant:

Matt Fowkes Proposed, Ben Swain Seconded

Debbie Rider, Secretary & Treasurer: Joe Zygadlo Proposed, Bill Davison Seconded

Ben Swain, Publicity, Records Officer & Web-Site: Joe Zygadlo Proposed, Debbie Rider Seconded

Ray Rider, Coaching Officer: Joe Zygadlo Proposed, Dick Johnson Seconded Andy Bunting, Auditor: John Bullock Proposed, Joe Zygadlo Seconded Matt Fowkes, Member: Joe Zygadlo Proposed, Graham Smith Seconded

Graham Smith: Co-Opted member for Mick Dennis Trophy

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT: ALL IN FAVOUR

Proposed rule changes:

"That the handicapping system for the Shippam Shield be changed to the following system:

At the start of each season, all registered players will be given a ranking which will be approved at a Committee Meeting.

The Shippam Shield handicap shall be calculated prior to each match by sole use of the ranking system.

The total handicap allotted to one of the 2 teams contesting the match shall be passed to the Home Captain in a sealed envelope prior to the match being played."

It was again discussed at length, it was decided that every member gets a rating at the beginning of the season worked on previous years averages plus discussion from committee members (these figures are to be kept at that level)

Joe to use same template & format as Nottingham league where A to Z equates as a number, the teams still won't know the handicap until the match is finished. John thinks it would make life easier for Joe if we get rid of envelope & it was probably inconvenient to wait for telephone call on the evening.

The only issue if we didn't have handicap at the end of match & a team wins 5 games to nil then the competition wouldn't be played to the end

Bill Davison Proposed & Val Tully Seconded: ALL IN FAVOUR

Divisional Format

Joe may have fresh blood from Chesterfield with Zygabyte C dispanding

Chance of one more team from Ravenshead People contact Joe through e-mail re practice venues, he forwards them to Ravenshead on Wednesday evenings

There is a gap on a Tuesday night @ Jacksdale Division one team dispanded: Andy King, Russ Webster Maybe another team from Jacksdale in Division Two

Registration forms to Debbie with fees by end of August Scan or Vibar forms to Ben Swain

9. Any other business:

Nottinghamshire county information received regarding inter town competitions Senior, Cadet, Junior, Veterans, Ladies & Mixed It was discussed & members in attendance voted for us to enter teams, Debbie to e-mail Malcolm Allsop with our interest

Matt Fowkes is interested in entering another Midland Vetts team this season

ETTA membership has been increased to £10 from £6

New balls is going to be optional this coming season & available to purchase middle of July, this time next year they will be mandatory. Benefit's more defensive play!

Bill Davison asked about increasing charges for competitions fees from £3 to £4, John Bullock said we shouldn't deter players from entering as competitions have been short on entrees Annual Championships had 27 entrees this last season with the most entered previously at 31 Graham Smith said as we were not a profiting organization we needn't increase fees In favour to £4 Bill Davison & all others against: Over ruled

Glen Holmes touched on cancellation of matches his team didn't play until end of November, he doesn't agree with doubling up on points. Matt Fowkes said that you could cancel Mansfield but not Nottingham, plenty of players play in different leagues so unfortunately with the cancellation policy Mansfield suffers!

The meeting closed at 9:10pm

A THANK YOU TO ALL ATTENDANCE AT AGM

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