

HINCKLEY AND DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE

AGM

Held June 5th 2018

Commenced 7:50 pm

Apologies Received

Mike Holt, Richard Chesters, Nick Rayner, Dave Scragg

Present

Chairman: Russell Pettitt

Vice Chair: Eileen Shaler

Committee Members: Holly Fauchon, Jon Pinchess & Jan Pinchess

Members: Mark Randall, Mick Rastall, Steve Crutchley, Pete White, Steve Bessant, Liam Davies, Tony Nixon, Dick Jenkins, Bob Dale, Ian Nixon, Bob Whittaker, Jason Woodfield, Steve Lawton, John Pearson, Dael Sidwell, Pete Jamieson, Sue Wright & Colin Goodman

There were no representatives from: Market Bosworth 1 & 2 or GWC A, D & E

Matters Arising

From the 2017 AGM - the minutes were read out and were proposed by Pete Jamieson and seconded by Holly Fauchon.

Chairman's Report

Well that's another season over, all matches, competitions and cups completed successfully. Good to see an increase in attendance at the senior closed championships this year. Well done to Jason for getting through on Thursday night to say he was flagging at the end of the evening is an understatement! We will have to look at our graded competitions, as these do not seem very popular. Well done to everyone who took part and to all the winners.

The Committee would like to thank Pete Jamieson for all his hard work throughout the season, organising two teams in the Midland League.

One thing we can be proud of, is the excellent work being carried out by all the coaches operating within the league. Our Junior Championships showed some good quality and promise for the future. We also provided most players for the county cadet team; this just highlights the quality of the coaching within our league.

From a committee point of view, we have managed to run everything with the limited resources we have available and I must thank all committee members for their tremendous efforts and work carried out throughout the season - you all do a fantastic job under what can sometimes be testing times.

It would be great if any members could join the committee, I personally would like to see at least one member from each division, so we can have input from a playing point of view. You may or may not know that the current committee contains only 1 registered player (me) the other 5 are non-playing volunteers.

The interesting thing from you, the players point of view here, is when it comes to a committee vote on any things that affects you, there is only 1 vote from a registered player and that vote is the Chairman's vote, which is a casting vote, and potentially has no influence on any decisions that affect you.

We have some interesting challenges ahead with the unravelling data protection saga along with the ever-present challenges of trying to improve the things that don't work as well as we the committee would like.

General Secretary's Report

Any notices from TTE sent to me are by e-mail these days.

The senior closed championships were better supported this year, having reverted to holding them in the week rather than a weekend. The junior ones were much the same. Having chosen a Saturday in April, this had to be cancelled owing to lack of interest, only 9 players had entered, so we picked another date later in the month, a Thursday evening, and we got 15 participants. It's obvious to me that it suits the majority to hold these events in the week. As you know the Presentation evening is tomorrow night. Even though it's free this year, we still only have 39 people attending. Considering there are over 100 players signed on, it's not what I would call supporting your league.

Treasurer's Report

The Hinckley league overall is doing very nicely. When John Hames took over auditing the books two years ago, he asked when our 'year end' was. We did not have this in place previously, but between us we chose July 31st. I have a signed copy of last years' accounts, which, owing to my printer dying on me, was unable to print copies to bring tonight. I have all the account books with me - feel free to come and have a look. The account total is £5116.18. We still have the "China Account" [now called the "Treasurers Account"] - the total of this account is £808.25.

Match Secretary's Report

Another season has been completed and we have worthy winners in the Goons for Division 1 for yet another season, despite only playing 18/20 matches. CAT A were close behind them and always their closest contenders, doing surprisingly well, given the other teams in the division. In the averages neither Adam nor Harry were eligible for top ten places, as neither of them had played enough games, taken at 66%.

In Division 2, which was clearly won by GWC D with an impressive 159 pts - a clear 30 pts ahead of their nearest rivals. This team headed up and nurtured by Roger Hill, who finished his season with a top of the averages award on 100%. Nice to see some different faces in this divisions line up with both Oliver Wynne and Callum Dale with an excellent 80% plus; Ian Nixon a very respectable 72% and the returning John Veasey with 72% also. League newcomer Ian Knight, who has only been playing for approx. 16 months, checking out with a healthy 64%.

What I really need for next season, is quality from the cards returned. In some instances, I have had to guess or make up the results. Could you please make sure the cards are legible before emailing them over. Not sure who this is, but someone from Hit n Hope, is putting the cards through a door in Adrian Drive instead of Friswell Close, the neighbour is not very happy,

Team Challenge Report

This turned out to be very disappointing. In the first week only two out of five matches were played, and to be fair the rest of the competition followed suit. The format for this was set out at the start of the year, so schedules were in place and adhered to, the blank weeks filled out and communicated in plenty of time. Lots of time and effort goes into organising such events, but the response this year has deflated both me personally and the committee as a whole. At our last meeting we had discussed the format, (which cannot be decided until the team forms are back in) but it is unlikely at this stage, any of us will want to run this competition next season, despite tweaks and improvements we had made to appease the membership.

Midland League Report

Last season it was agreed that Pete Jamieson, although not strictly on the committee, would organise the players for the teams in the midland league. This has worked out very well. In the whole of the season there was just one match, where we couldn't get a full team, again against Nuneaton. As you will see Hinckley A came 2nd in Div 2. The Hinckley B side finished in 8th place in Div 3. Pete is more than willing to run the Midland League Teams again for next season, a big thank you to those involved.

Cup Report

All teams in Div 1 and Div 2 were entered into their respective cup competitions. Prelim matches were played in both the Holt Trophy and the Dry Logic cups. In the semi-finals we had the Holt Trophy between Goons & CAT A. Goons winning 5-0. GWC A v CAT D. GWC A winning 6-0, so the final was between GWC A and Goons. After a good fight back by GWC A they brought it back to 4-all, losing out in the last game. Goons then came out on top winning the match 5-4. The semi-finals of the Dry Logic were between CAT H and GWC F, CAT H winning 9-0 and Queens Barwell v CAT F - Queens won the match 7-2.

The final was between Queens Barwell and Cat H unfortunately Queens only had 2 players, and Cat H went on to win the final 8-1 .

Election of Officers

The Chairman, Vice Chairman, General Secretary and Treasurer agreed to stand again. This was proposed by Mark Randle and seconded by Bob Whittaker.

Election of Committee Members

- All agreed to stand again. Proposed by Pete Jamieson, seconded by Jason Woodfield
- Mark Randle agreed to be the data protection officer for the league - proposed by Holly Fauchon, seconded by Eileen Shaler
- Steve Lawton agreed to join the committee, this was proposed by Bob Whittaker and seconded by Mark Randle
- Eileen Shaler, Vice Chair would act as welfare officer

Rule Amendments

There were none submitted.

AOB

- GDPR - when he gets back from holiday Mark Randle will contact Holly and perhaps myself for info to get the GDPR started for the league
- Team Challenge - suggested that this is not seeded and perhaps run in between the ordinary league
- TTE AGM - is at Jury's Inn on Saturday July 6th
- Chairman - thanked everyone for their attendance

Meeting closed 8-50pm