

**Basingstoke and District Table Tennis Committee Meeting**  
**10<sup>th</sup> August 2016**  
**7 Anton Close**  
**Oakley**  
**Basingstoke**  
**RG23 7AG**

**Present**

Mike Wood, Terri Allison, Dave MacDonald, Dave Partridge, Celia Hooker, Keith Russell, Phil Ware and Terry White

**1. Apologies for absence**

Tony Amies, Gill Larking and George Hellens.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting of 1<sup>st</sup> June 2016 were approved.

Mike started the meeting by welcoming Celia and Phil to the committee and thanked them for agreeing to stand.

**3. Matters Arising**

3(5.4) Tony is still working on access to the league tables for all users.

He is confident it will be completed and available by the start of the season.

**Action: Tony**

3(7.3) Dave MacDonald is to send a list of names to Tony for inclusion on the web-site.

Dave is still compiling the names and will forward as soon as he can.

**Action: Dave**

3(7.5) Terri is still to get a definitive response from George re a second point of contact at the council.

Terri has still to get a name from George

**Action: Terri**

3(5.3) Keith is still awaiting a reply from the bank re on-line payments.

Keith reported that he has been pursuing this for some time and hopes the paperwork is near completion

**Action: Keith**

3(6.2) The committee will need to discuss at length the merits of introducing restrictions on which division a player is eligible for dependent on ranking points.

**This will be discussed under the League Structure**

3 (4.5) Terry will contact council re supplying a bin for the toilets at Essex Road. We should not provide.

Terry has left this with George White to pursue.

**Action: Terry**

3(7.1) Proposed league restructure, will be deferred and would not likely be introduced without a season's notice to all players.

**This too will be discussed under the League Structure.**

3(7.3) Revision of Registration Form will be done at the next meeting.

The form has been amended to show Celia's details.

Action: Closed

3(4.1) Keith sent a copy of the current balance sheet. Terri will circulate to committee.

Action: Closed

3(4.3) Ron emailed to remind committee of the need to amend the team entry form with new Registration Secretary's details and distribute to clubs.

Action: See 7.3 above Closed

3(4.5) Dave M sent an email with a list of the winners of the various cups.

Dave will purchase trophies and arrange inscriptions.

Action: Closed

3(6.1) Vacancies to be filled are Registration Secretary, Inter-Town Secretary for Senior and Vets, additional members.

Terri and Mike will 'sound out' a few people.

Both Terri and Mike contacted certain members but did not receive a reply.

Action: Closed

Secretary's note: Dave Partridge has offered to take on the role of Development Officer and the committee have gratefully co-opted him to this role.

3 (6.2) Terri will write to club secretaries re next year's Closed Championships to hopefully get an offer from a club to run the 2017 tournament.

No club responded, hence the draw at the AGM

Action: Closed

3 (6.4) Terri will provide a record sheet for all clubs to sign to show a representative has attended.

Action: Closed

3 (6.5) Keith will return deposits to clubs minus any fines incurred.

Keith now has a copy of those clubs who were not represented at the AGM and will return the deposits to all other clubs.

Action: Keith

3 (7.1) Terry has had his police check renewed and his coaching licence. The league will pay the fees.

Terry will need to submit receipts to Keith.

Keith now has Terry's receipts

Action: Keith

3 (7.4) Terry suggested an entry in the Handbook re trawling for players to take up a coaching qualification.

Terry produced a draft showing coaching details and that of courses for interested parties.

This was approved by committee.

Action: Closed

7.5 Gill suggested using the first name of each person's entry in the Handbook instead of just an initial.

This is being done.

Action: Closed

#### 4. League Structure

4.1 Celia has now received all the teams wishing to enter this season. There are overall 2 less than last year.

Both Winklebury and Hannington have dropped out altogether, Aldworth has withdrawn one team but Queen's have entered one more.

With the teams withdrawing it would have meant only 8 in the first division therefore the committee decided to not relegate KG 'A' in order to maintain a better balance. KG 'A' has in fact recruited new players of first division standard.

Therefore the divisions will be 9 in Division 1, 10 in Division 2 and 10 in Division 3.

4.2 Following discussion on players of a high standard playing in a lower league, the committee has made a general guide that players with ranking points of less than 1200 are acceptable to play in Division 3. Players with ranking points of less than 1400 are acceptable in Division 2.

It is noted that there will always be exceptions to this and any player wishing to play for a lower team than their ranking qualifies, should seek permission from the committee.

**Secretary's note: - All club secretaries have been notified of this guide.**

4.3 Celia will set about forming the grid showing dates of games and who is playing whom and where.

**Action: - Celia**

4.4 As there are fewer teams this year the season will start on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2016.

**Secretary's note: - All club secretaries have been advised of the start date of the season.**

#### 5. Officer's Reports

##### Hon Treasurer's report

5.1 Keith was concerned about the outstanding rent for Essex Road and asked that we resolve this in the near future. Mike replied that he will speak with George White when he returns from holiday and together they will meet with the council.

**Action:-Mike Keith and George**

5.2 Keith confirmed that we have just over £20,000 in the bank.

##### Web Master

5.3 Tony had been unable to attend but asked to be provided with:-

- Numbers of teams in each division
- Registered players for each team
- Fixture grid
- Draft handbook

**Action: - Celia and Terry**

5.4 The tables 'print' will hopefully be up and running by the start of the season

**Action: - Tony**

##### Essex Road Officer

5.5 Terry reported that users of the match room are still leaving rubbish behind in the mistaken belief that we employ cleaners. There are now no bins in the room so to reiterate:-

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL USERS TO TAKE AWAY THEIR OWN RUBBISH.

Terry has now made a sign to this effect in the hope that it will be adhered to.

**Action: - Terry**

##### Trophy Secretary

5.6 Dave MacDonald had nothing to report at this stage.

##### Press Secretary

5.7 Dave Partridge is still hopeful that his reports will be published in the Gazette if only occasionally. He will continue to send them.

**Action: - Dave P**

5.8 Dave Partridge advised the committee that he is now in a better position to devote more time to the Basingstoke League and is keen to keep the weekly match reports up to date on the web-site.

Action: - Dave P

#### Development Officer

5.9 Dave Partridge is liaising with Mike to get a programme of development underway.

Action: - Mike and Dave.

#### **6. Closed Championship Date**

On completion of the grid structure, Celia will be able to give a date where all players should be finished in the league. She will notify committee asap and Terri will send out to all club secretaries and Tony will put on web-site.

Action: - Celia, Terri and Tony.

#### **7. Any Other Business**

Dave asked Terry to forward him details of the Basingstoke crest for the new purchase of roundels.

Action: - Terry

#### **8. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September. Terri will ask Gill if she can host and advise the committee.

Action: - Terri

Mike thanked Terri for hosting.