

Basingstoke and District Table Tennis Committee Meeting
27th May 2015
at
94 Roman Road
Basingstoke
RG23 8HD

Present:

Mike Wood, Terri Allison, Charlie Smith, Dave McDonald, Ron Powell, Pete Martin and Bill Bavister.

1 Apologies

Gill Larking, Terry White, George Helens, John McClarty and Tony Amies

2 Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting on 8th April 2015 were approved.

3 Matters Arising

5 (6.3) Terri has contacted all team secretaries of clubs that use the match room as their home base and collated a list of who holds keys for the premises. Charlie has been advised in order to update the Asset Register. Charlie added that George White holds 14 more keys for the Essex Road, Match Room.

Action: Closed

Terri will contact George to ask that the keys are passed to the Essex Road Officer, Terry White.

Action: Terri

4(3) Terri had put together a draft advertisement for publication in the Gazette and local village magazines.

It was generally approved by the committee and when finalised will be sent to relevant papers etc.

Action: Committee

4(1) George was unable to attend the meeting but will continue to support the introduction of table tennis to Carpenters Down, Village Hall and report back.

Action: George

5.2(2) Terry and Tony were still to sort the addition of a field to the web-site to show a fourth player and their scores.

Action: Tony and Terry

5.2(3) Tony and Terry were also working on updating the web-site to include all coaching dates and include dates when it is not on.

Action: Tony and Terry

5(4) All trophies had been collected.

Action: Closed

5(5) All matches had been completed in the allotted time.

Action: Closed

5(6.1) Terry had purchased a new bin for Essex Road

Action: Closed

5(6.2) The light bulb is still to be changed in the gents toilet at Essex Road. George White is to contact the council.

Action: Terry

5(1) The committee expressed thanks to Bill for transporting the table to the Rugby Club for this year's finals night.

Action: Closed

7(1) Charlie has discovered that Les Bones' favourite tippie is Talisker whisky and the committee approved the purchasing of a bottle to thank Les for all his hard work over the last 50 years for the league.

Action: Charlie

7(4) The Rugby Club had been booked for the forthcoming AGM on Tuesday 23rd June.

Action: Closed

4 Development Plan

Mike reported that there had been no further developments since the last meeting.

5 Officers' Reports

Hon Treasurer

Charlie reported that the table at Essex Road has not been insured as it was deemed too high a risk for a company to take on. It is considered vulnerable to vandalism and damage due to it not being held in secure premises.

Charlie added that he is having difficulty getting the 'rent' from teams who use Essex Road as their team base. Clubs still owe a considerable amount of money for which the committee is responsible. It was put to a vote that all players who use the match room be asked to pay at the beginning of the season in order to pay the rent and then any internal 'juggling' of monies can be sorted out within the teams themselves.

This was passed by 4 votes to 2 with 1 abstention.

It was suggested that as some of the players will be being asked for subscriptions for the season just played and then asked again for next season 'up front', in September; it may help if just for this year the committee allow the season 2015/16 subs to be paid by Christmas and then always before the end of September in subsequent years.

Terri will write to all club secretaries whose teams use the Match Room.

Action: Terri

Pete asked how much the league still owes for rent of Essex Road. Charlie reported that was around £11,500 to date.

Trophy Secretary

Dave reported that he is still searching for some trophies that have not been used for some years. He is to purchase 30 individual trophies for presentation at the AGM.

Development Secretary

Bill had nothing to report except that he will be standing down from this position.

Hampshire Veterans Inter-Town Tournament Secretary.

Pete reported that the inter town matches had not been arranged for this year and it doesn't look as if they will.

Registration Secretary

Ron reported that 4 matches had been conceded this season, 1 in the first division and 3 in the third. Bill asked if any of these results affected league positions but Ron confirmed that none of them had.

Web-Master

Tony had reported via an email that there are no problems with the web-site.

6 Annual General Meeting

Mike asked that all secretaries be informed of the date of the meeting and invite any league members to stand for committee positions.

Mike asked the current committee if they are still willing to continue.

Mike, Terri, Dave, and Ron will continue if elected.

Pete is standing down as Inter-town Secretary and Vice Chair.

Bill is standing down as Development Officer. Charlie is also standing down as treasurer.

All positions will be highlighted to the league and any nominations will be gratefully received.

Mike will liaise with the rest of the committee to see if they are willing to continue.

Action: Mike

The committee gave a vote of gratitude to all outgoing members.

7 Awards

The following trophies are to be awarded at the AGM

Alf Cann trophy – most improved senior player: David Joyce

Barratt Cup – most improved junior player: Dan Rivett

Queens Cup – most games won in a season: Steve Redstall

Div 1 – St Peter's A

Div 2 – Minitec

Div 3 – Basingstoke Hindu Society

Ray Partridge Plate – Hannington

Tony Iacona Cup – St Peter's 'A'

8 Any Other Business

Dave reported that the winner of the Cadets (under 15 years) shield had been won by Simon Parker and will be presented to him at the AGM.

Action: Terri to advise Simon's parents of the award and confirm his attendance.

Rule changes:

Charlie pointed out that most of the fees are mentioned in the handbook bar the individual registration fee and suggested that the rule be changed to include a fixed sum. The committee recommended the registration fee of £7 be kept the same for next year.

Pete suggested it could be lowered but Mike said it would be wise to keep it the same in view of any development programme that may require extra funds.

This was voted on and carried by 5 votes to 2.

Mike will include this in a change to the rules to be proposed at the AGM

Rule 40 will also be amended to delete the wording.....' shall be determined at the AGM.'

Rule 41 will delete ...'which shall be determined at the AGM'.

9 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 5th August at Gill's home.

The committee expressed grateful thanks to Mike and Lorraine for allowing the meeting to be held in their home and for the lovely refreshments.

The meeting finished at 9.35pm