

Basingstoke and District Table Tennis Committee Meeting

Monday 25th November 2019

7 Anton Close
Oakley
RG23 7AG

Present: - Mike Wood, Terri Allison, Celia Hooker, Martin Gilbey, Mark Every and Dave Partridge

1. Apologies for absence

Dave MacDonald, Paul Myers, Tony Amies, Terry White and Gill Larking.

Secretary's note: an email offering apologies was received this morning from Keith Russell.

2. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of 28th August 2019 were approved.

3. Matters Arising

4.3(2) Tony is liaising with Mark Every who hopes to take over the Web-site eventually but may run it as TT365 in the future.

Action: Tony and Mark

4.4(1) Terry had a sample of the flooring that was thought would suit the match room. Unfortunately this was found to be too tacky and other purpose made flooring is far too expensive. We will continue to paint the floor.

Action: Closed

4.5(1) Mike is still chasing the non returned trophy.

Action: Ongoing

4.4(1) the council has now repaired the floor to an acceptable standard and Terry will seal it in due course.

Action: Terry

4.4(2) the council has said that the replacement of the window in the match room has not been budgeted for this year. However, they have changed the window from an opening unit to a closed fixed window with new glass. They will in due course be replacing all the windows in the building.

Action: Closed

4.4(3) Terry has been very unwell in recent months and although he offered to make a new honours board for next season, he has been unable to make a start on this.

Action: Terry

4.4(7) Tony has now added the dates for coaching to the web-site.

Action: Closed

4.6 Terri's report on her meeting with the council will be included in the Development Officer's report.

Action: Closed

4.7 Paul Myers is successfully submitting press reports to both the Gazette and Observer.

Action: Closed

4.7(3) Paul will submit coaching information during the free weeks.

Action: Closed

6.4 Terri asked Callum Coombes to set up Mike Jones as the new face-book administrator and this has been done.

Action: Closed

6.6 Mark looked into the possibility of a grant from Eli-Lily's and learnt that applications must be submitted on line and must include a supporting statement on the need for the grant and how it will help the community. We hope to put a case to them for help with coaching costs.

Action: Mark

6.7 Companies only match funds when fund-raising events are run by an employee.

Action: Closed

6.9 Keith and Tony have kindly agreed to provide two cups to the League and this is ongoing.

Action: Keith and Tony

4. Officers' Reports

4.1 Treasurer's report

No report

4.2 Registration Secretary

4.2(1) Celia reported that:

- We have 132 players registered in the League
- 28 teams
- 3 Divisions

4.2(2) Mike has agreed to send Celia copies of the current bank statement in order for her to check on-line registration fees.

Action: Mike

4.3 Web-Master

No report

4.4 Essex Road Officer

No report

Terry is unable to carry out coaching for the near future due to illness but may be able to attend which will allow Sam to run the sessions.

4.5 Trophy Secretary

No report

4.6 Development Officer

4.6(1) Dave reported that Terri had met with Mrs Rebecca Bean a cabinet member of the BDBC. Basically Terri had explained our immediate need for a new venue for table tennis which is needed on a 24/7 basis and must have disabled access. She also spoke to her of our long term aim for a purpose built Centre for all in the Community to enjoy. The sub-committee hopes to meet with Mrs Bean at Essex Road in the near future to show her our current facility which may strengthen our cause.

Action: Sub-Committee

4.6(2) there is a possibility of the Association being part of a multi sport organisation linking with the Bowling club which is currently based at Loddon Vale. When the new development is underway the Bowling club will be moved to a new site and it is hoped that we will have sufficient space allocated to us for the purpose of table tennis. This has been agreed in principle by the committee at Loddon Vale but awaits confirmation.

4.7 Press Officer

No report

5. Any Other Business

5.1 Martin said that he had recently been to the 'Pop up Parlour' at Chineham and noticed that there are no posters advertising our league or coaching. Terri had sent all this to representatives of TTE who had assured us they would be displayed.

We will print new posters to put up there.

Action: Committee

5.2 Mark asked about the cost of the Handbooks. Mike replied that our advertising for Tees Sports covered all costs.

5.3 Celia reported that Sam Ricks had passed his level 1 coaching and was now keen to progress to level 2. The committee acknowledged Sam's achievement and look forward to supporting him and any other players who would like to become a coach.

5.4 Mark added that he might try to add the cost of the hall for coaching, to his application for a grant from Eli Lilly.

Action: Mark

5.5 Celia asked about our policy on GDPR and if it was published anywhere.

It was agreed that we would fall in line with the policy as written by TTE and Mike will cut and paste to send to Tony for inclusion on the web-site.

Tony would be asked about removing previous years' web-site information.

Action: Mike and Tony

5.6 Terri asked if the date of the 'Closed' had yet been established.

Mark confirmed that Aldworth Hall has been booked for Saturday, 25th April from 08.30 to 19.00

It is hoped that the tables will be still assembled from the coaching the night before.

5.7 Mark suggested that we try to get a sponsor for the competition and had a couple of ideas in mind to pursue.

Action: Mark

5.8 Mike will pursue the lottery as advertised by the Basingstoke Voluntary Association.

Action: Mike

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be arranged via emails.

The committee thanked Terri for hosting and for the lovely refreshments.

The meeting finished at 9.40pm