

## MINUTES OF WORKSOP & DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE'S AGM 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2013

### **Present:**

Centre For Sport  
Global Marble  
Manton Sports  
Manton Tigers  
MBE  
Redlands X-Youth  
Redlands Rascals  
Redlands Cypriots  
Redlands Roosters  
Redlands Red Bulls  
Redlands Morris Men  
Redlands Rookies  
Redlands Allsorts  
Redlands Tarr Babies  
Redlands Dynamos  
Ryton Park Adders  
Ryton Park Bees  
Ryton Park Cougars  
Ryton Park Dragons  
Stanley Street 'A'  
Stanley Street 'B'

### **Absent:**

Zygabytes  
Redlands Outlaws  
Redlands Fluffy Toys  
Redlands Joggers  
Ryton Park Eagles

**Last year's minutes** - were handed out to everyone present and were proposed as a true record by Dave Lee and seconded by Glyn Williams.

**Matters Arising** – Andy Lee informed the members present that at last year's Notts County AGM the Worksop League voted against keeping a County Association as per the Worksop Members vote but that Nottingham, Retford and Mansfield had voted to keep it going although Nottingham League did say that they would review it in 12 months time.

AL also informed the meeting that the 5-5 Shoot-Out that was voted in at last year's AGM and given a trial run for a season only in fact lasted around 3 months due to a number of teams not playing the shoot-out. RV had e-mailed players for their opinion and the vast majority had asked to scrap the idea altogether which the League did and all results/league

tables were altered accordingly.

AL mentioned that despite members voting in a new singles competition for the Annual Championships at the last AGM there wasn't actually any entries for it. AL said the competition would remain in place if enough entries were received.

AL said that the new format for the Divisional Handicap Trophies had been well received and all present agreed. The order of play was going to be looked at but as a whole it was a good competition.

**Treasurers Report** – Copies of the balance sheet were handed out for all those in attendance to view and AL explained that Antony Coupe had resigned due to other work commitments and that the league were in fact looking for a new Treasurer. He also added that the balance sheet had yet to be officially audited but was near enough the true end of year balance sheet. GW noticed that the £5,000 in the Building Society had yielded the league only £3.99 interest and felt that there were other places that we could use for a better return. Nigel Stent and Dave Lee mentioned that many financial institutions no longer allowed associations to have accounts and in fact as the league were classed as an Association we would be charged banking fees for all transactions and in the long run we were better off leaving it where it was.

RV mentioned that the £300.00 for the Website Upgrade was for the automation of the league tables and the individual averages rather than having to sit and add them manually and that it was a one off cost.

Phil Hall proposed that the accounts be approved and they were seconded by Dave Lee, all in attendance approved the proposition.

**Funding & Development** - The league's Fund Raising Office Glyn Williams informed and explained to the meeting about the monies he had raised from various council bodies. GW also explained that the money was being spent on equipment for the League which included a robot, barriers, barrier transporter, balls, nets etc etc and that on an on-going basis the money would be spent on such items of equipment and not just be sat in the bank. GW also informed the meeting that the Saturday Club which he had set up was proving to be self-sufficient and making a small surplus but did need the continuing support from players to keep it going.

GW also explained that as part of his fund raising efforts the League had committed to certain events to take along the robot to promote the sport of table tennis into the community.

Fiona Halpin-Stent congratulated Glyn on his fabulous efforts and he received a very warm round of applause from everyone present.

**Questions From The Floor** – Andy Lee invited questions from anyone present on any subject whatsoever and Andy Kirkland mentioned that having the two Championships Finals Nights at Stanley Street had caused their club some major headaches with fixtures towards the end of the season and could we extend the season by two weeks. AL mentioned that if the league would then have problems getting the Presentation Night etc on and everything else

would have to be moved back two weeks so we couldn't do it but that the league would have a look at the fixtures etc to try and help out.

Glyn Williams asked if the AGM could be put back a week next year to allow for the accounts to be finalised and presented at the AGM and his request was agreed. Date to be June 10th next year.

Jack Tarr congratulated all involved in the Leagues Presentation Night for putting on a great night and thanked them for putting in all the effort required in doing so.

### **Rule Amendments –**

**Addition/Amendment To Rule 7d** - If a team forfeits/concedes a match then they will lose the 3 points and the Committee will have the right to deduct further points at their discretion.

The above was discussed at length and it was decided to vote on several variations on the above as follows:

**A** - The Committee will have the right to deduct a maximum of 6 points at their discretion.

**B** - To leave the rule as it is

**C** - If a team cancels the match then they will lose the match and no re-arrangement would be necessary.

A majority vote was gained in favour of Option A - 'a maximum of 6 points at the Committees discretion'

A majority vote was then gained for extending the time in which a re-arranged game can take place from 4 to 6 weeks.

**Addition/Amendment To Rule 7f** - If a team only fields 2 players in a league match then the best result they will be able to obtain is a draw even if they win the match and therefore only be able to get one point.

The above was discussed at length and it was decided to vote on several variations on the above as follows:

**A** - One point given to the winning side (if they only had 2 players) **and** one to the losing side. - 10 votes

**B** - One point given to the winning side (if they only had 2 players) but none to the losing side. - 12 votes

**C** - Two points given to the winning side (if they only had 2 players) but none to the losing side. - 3 votes

Option B was therefore carried forward.

**Amendment To Rule 12a** - to read 'current averages' instead of 'final averages' for the previous Winter League.

Voted for unanimously.

### **Election Of Officers –**

Chairman Andy Lee, General & Match Play Secretary Rob Vaughan, Cup Secretary Dave Lee, DTH Doubles Mick Bell, Fund Raising Officer Glyn Williams, General Committee Members Jack Tarr and John Lowde were all returned 'en-bloc' unanimously.

Keith Bloomfield General Committee Member had resigned a few weeks earlier and the chairman expressed the committee's thanks for the work and support that Keith had put in for the benefit of the league. Nigel Stent Annual Championships Secretary resigned on the night due to work commitments and Treasurer Antony Coupe had resigned a few weeks earlier also due to work commitments.

**Treasurer** – AL asked the meeting if anyone would like to stand for election as Treasurer and Dave Cowburn kindly put himself forward but did add that he may not be able to attend every Committee Meeting. Glyn Williams proposed and Rob Vaughan seconded and he was elected unanimously.

**Divisional Trophy Secretary** - Rob Vaughan had previously agreed to take this position and all agreed.

**Annual Championships Secretary** - Rob Vaughan agreed to take this role on as well as he had organised the Championships this year.

**General Committee Members** – Fiona Halpin-Stent put herself forward and was formally proposed by Dave Rix and seconded by Nigel Stent.

**Any Other Business –**

Jack Tarr mentioned that the Committee had given a grant to Tom McIntosh and that we ought to do the same for Sam Walker in recognition of his recent achievements.

It had previously been agreed and recommended at a Committee Meeting that we should let the players present at the AGM decide on how much - as it was in reality - their money.

Several amounts were put forward and voted on as follows:

£200 by Jack Tarr and seconded by Bill Bateman - 2 votes

£250 by Glyn Williams and seconded by Paul Allison - 3 votes

£300 by Dave Lee and seconded by Nigel Stent - 13 votes

£400 by Neil Houghton and seconded by Fiona Halpin-Stent - 2 votes

£500 by Nigel Stent and seconded by Fiona Halpin-Stent - 3 votes

Therefore the amount of £300 was formally approved and carried forward.

Jo McIntosh suggested that the League named the Junior Player Of The Year Trophy after Sam Walker but the proposal wasn't seconded due to the fact that it was currently called The Norman Davison Trophy and that all the work Norman had put into the league over the years warranted it staying the same name.

It was agreed that the Committee would re-name one of the leagues competitions after him and everyone present was happy for the Committee to decide upon.

Next AGM Meeting Tuesday 10th of June 2014