

MINUTES OF WORKSOP & DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE'S AGM 31st MAY 2016

Present:

Manton Misfits
Manton Nomads
Manton Sports
Manton Tigers
On-Line Elks
Redlands X-Youth
Redlands Liver Birds
Redlands Monsters
Redlands Fluffy Toys
Redlands Rookies
Redlands Joggers
Redlands Tarr Babies
Ryton Park Adders
Ryton Park Cougars
Ryton Park Eagles
Stanley Street 'A'
Stanley Street 'B'
Stanley Street Cypriots
Worksop Miners Welfare 'A'
Worksop Miners Welfare 'B'

Absent:

Redlands Roosters
Stanley Street 'E'
Ryton Park Falcons

Last year's minutes

Were handed out to everyone present and were proposed as a true record by Dennis Learad and seconded by Ralph Rodda.

Matters Arising

Andy Lee informed members present that Ben Swain was sorting a seating plan out for this year's Presentation Night.

Andy Lee reported that the league hadn't entered a team into the Wilmot Cup for the season just passed and weren't entering one for the 2016/17 season either due to the cost of doing so and that the Committee felt that the money could be better spent within the Worksop League itself.

Moving the doubles set from game 5 to game 7 had in the main been a good move and that most teams were playing the doubles in the correct order. Mick Bell asked what happens if matches are played on two tables or a player arrives late to which Andy Lee replied that in such circumstances that common sense should prevail and the doubles should have to be played in the best alternative place.

Andy Lee informed the meeting that Rob Vaughan has sent an e-mail out to remind teams

and players that matches should commence at 7.00pm and that it had improved matters. Andy Lee said that the handicapping for the Mike Tunningley Shield had been better since the Committee introduced an improved system alongside 3 members of the Committee forming a Handicap Committee to oversee it. Most people agreed that it had been better with Rob Vaughan adding that to his knowledge there hadn't been any matches that ended up with the handicapping being a long way out.

The review of all rules in the handbook hadn't been done but Andy Lee commented that there hadn't been any complaints in regards to the rules from, anyone so they must be alright.

Andy Lee added that the rule of having to inform the Match Play Secretary within 48 hours of any postponed match had worked well and helped Rob Vaughan with the running of the league.

Questions From The Floor

Steve Walker asked if the AGM could be moved from a Tuesday to a Monday to which both Rob Vaughan and Andy Lee replied that it wouldn't be any problem to do so.

Rob Vaughan took the opportunity to remind everyone present that some of the venues in the league such as Stanley Street Club, Manton Miners Welfare and Worksop Miners Welfare charge the teams that play there very little or in some cases, nothing at all and with this in mind could all players be mindful when playing at these venues that taking your own crisps, nuts, chocolate, fizzy drinks etc. doesn't look good when the clubs themselves sell the very same things behind their bars. Jeff Reay asked if water would be ok to which both Andy Kirkland and Rob Vaughan replied that it wouldn't be a problem.

Treasurers Report

Copies of the financial report that Ben Swain had produced were handed out for all those in attendance to view and Ben Swain gave an overview of the accounts year on year and that compared to last year the league saw a £1,060 positive movement with increased sponsorship, increased memberships and increased championships attendance.

Ben also highlighted the fact that the revenue from the Saturday Club at Worksop Leisure Centre had dropped to zero and Rob Vaughan explained that Glyn Williams who ran the Club now donates any profits to charity to which the League were fine with.

Graham Stent proposed the Income & Expenditure report as a true record and Andy Kirkland seconded them.

Rule Amendments

Addition To Rule 11c (Annual Championships)

A player may only play in a Divisional Competition if he has played in a minimum of one third of league games in the division in which he is registered to play in.

A majority vote was obtained for the addition to Rule 11c

Addition To Rule 15 (Divisional Handicap Cup Competitions)

If the match is drawn then the lower placed team in the current league table will be declared the winners.

A majority vote was obtained for the addition to Rule 15

Annual Championships

Plate Singles - If a player loses to another player from a lower division in the first round of

the Open Singles then they will **not** be allowed to play in the Plate Singles.

This rule was discussed at length and two other options were put forward in addition to the proposed rule change and they were as follows:

1) To do nothing

2) To e-mail all players and publicise on the website etc. that the Committee will be keeping an eye on the Open Singles event and any player suspected of throwing their first Open Singles match to go through to the Plate Singles Competition would be brought up in front of the Committee.

A vote was taken and the original proposed rule change obtained 9 votes, to do nothing obtained 0 votes and to warn players that the Open Singles would be monitored received 10 votes.

Rob Vaughan added that he would add a note on the Championship Entry Form as well.

Election Of Officers

Andy Lee informed the meeting that everyone that was currently on the Committee wished to remain on it so he proposed that they would be re-elected on block. A majority vote was obtained.

Andy Lee also informed the meeting that Mick Bell had put himself forward for election on to the Committee as a General Committee Member. Jack Tarr proposed him and Dave Marsh seconded him and a majority vote was obtained to elect him on to the Committee.

Any Other Business

Andy Lee mentioned that the League were attending the Clumber Park Carnival Of Sport on July the 30th and 31st with two tables and the League's robot and that Clumber Park had actually gone out and purchased a massive marquee to house the tables in. He also mentioned that league were also going to attend Clumber again on the 14th of July which was National Table Tennis Day and again take a table down and that at both events we would be handing leaflets out with information on Where To Play in Worksop. Andy Lee asked for volunteers to help out on the days and Jeff Reay, Andy Kirkland, Ralph Rodda, Chris Clemson and Dave Rix all kindly offered their help which both Andy Lee and Rob Vaughan thanked them for. Rob Vaughan will also send some Where To Play leaflets to Steve Walker to distribute.

Andy Lee said that the League would once again give each team that registers next season 3 new balls to get them going.

Jeff Reay mentioned foul serving and that it was still happening from time to time. Rob Vaughan asked Chris Clemson who is a qualified umpire for his opinion to which Chris thought that unless a player was gaining a massive advantage then there ought to be some leniency. Rob Vaughan said that he would send out another reminder just before the season gets underway.

Next AGM Meeting Monday 5th of June 2017