Basingstoke and District Table Tennis Committee Meeting Thursday 18th May 2017

Tanglewood
Powntley Copse
Alton
GU34 4DL

Present

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

1. Apologies for absence

Dave MacDonald, Gill Larking and George Hellens

2. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of 7th March 2017 were approved.

3. Matters Arising

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

Dave reported that this is underway but is a long job as he has to compile a lot of information.

Action: Dave - ongoing

4 Proposal for purpose built Table Tennis Centre Action: This will reported on separately. Closed

5.(4.2) Mike met with a council representative to discuss the situation of the floor being slippery and unsuitable for table tennis but unfortunately they do not see it as any part of their commitment to maintain saying the surface is for us to repair. Mike will chase the council regarding the new lease and report back.

Action: Ongoing Mike

6.3 Terry produced prices of bulk purchasing of balls from Tees Sports and Terri will email the offer to all club secretaries.

Action: Terri

5.1 Terri will advise all Essex Road Users of rent increase.

Action: - Terri

5.2 All clubs were notified of the need to comply with rule 24 as shown in the handbook.

Action: Closed.

5.3(2) Aldworth have been approached regarding early notification of table tennis coaching being cancelled. They took this on board. However as there are now numerous exams etc in the sports hall there is no coaching until September. Details of this will be shown on web-site.

Action: - Terry.

5.4 Mike has spoken to Aldworth regarding damage to the tables.

Action: - Closed

5.3 Terry has bought a large plastic cover to suspend over the store room area in het match room at Essex Road to prevent balls from 'getting lost' in the debris behind. Mike has offered to help with hanging this.

Action Closed

5.4(4) Terry has spoken to a friend who can give us an estimate of the cost of fitting LED lighting in Essex Road.

Action: - Terry

5.5 Dave has asked for all trophies to be returned.

Action: - Closed

6.2 Phil produced a better insurance policy with 'A' plan to include the tables at Aldworth on a new for old basis. The committee accepted the quote of £443.

Phil will arrange acceptance and organise with Keith to pay the company.

Action: - Phil and Keith

6.3 Terry obtained the following prices for bulk purchase of balls. He recommends the Butterfly G40 saying they last longer have a good bounce and trajectory. We currently receive 97 balls per season from Tees Sports and it was consider prudent to stay with this company.

Butterfly Table Tennis Balls G40+

Box of 3 Cat Price, £6.99 Online Price £5.99 Price to Us £4.54 Each Ball £1.51 Box of 12 Cat Price £26.99 Online Price £22.99 Price to Us £17.45 Each Ball £1.46 Bucket of 288 Balls Cat Price £599.99 Online Price £439 Price to Us £389.99 Each Ball £1.33 Teams are invited to order stocks of balls via Terry at these much reduced prices.

It would be advantageous if all clubs used the same balls but it is not compulsory.

4. Officer's Reports

4.1 Treasurer

4.1 (1) Keith produced a comprehensive breakdown of all expenditure and income for this season. Our current account now stands at just over £5.000. However we have a deficit of £157 for the season which we hope the small increase in rent and possible increase to player registration will cover.

4.1 (2) Keith has proposed an increase to player registration of £1 each to bring it to £8 adults.

4.2 Registration Secretary

4.2 (1) Celia will re draft the registration form to include bank details for on-line payments.

4.3 Web Master

5.3(1) Tony reported that all league match scores have been entered onto the web-site. The result of the Handicap final is still outstanding.

Tony asked that a trawl is made of any computer literate members to see if they would be willing to take over as web-master in the future. While Tony is still in this role it would benefit any new incumbent to be able to draw from his expertise if needed.

Terri will send an email to all club secretaries.

Action: - Terri

4.4 Essex Road Officer

Terry reminded committee that the flooring in the match room is still to be resolved. Users will try to paint it again. Celia will ask Thatcham club players what paint/treatment they applied to their floor to prevent slipping.

Action: - Celia and Terry

4.5 Trophy Secretary

No report

4.6 Press Secretary

No report

4. 7 Development Officer

Dave advised the committee of the sub-committee's progress with pursuing a dedicated playing centre for the town. Research was conducted into current facilities in the area and for which age groups; the size and requirements which were considered ideal and teams were contacted to ask their opinion on a new match room and any possible hire increase. All were in favour of new, improved, facilities though one team was cautious about extra costs. A meeting is set for sometime in early June with council members.

5. Confirmation of Winners

Division One was won by Saints with Hannington 'A' runners up. Division Two was won by Queen's 'C' runners up Aldworth 'C' Division Three was won by Aldworth 'D' runners up O.M.I.

The Queen's Cup for most wins in a season was won by Steve Redstall.

The Barrett Cup for most improved player was won by Matt Deadman

The Alf Cann Trophy for most improved senior player was won by Sorin Lakatos

The Ray Partridge Plate was won by Queen's 'E'.

The Handicap Trophy was won by KG'C'

6. Proposed rules changes.

Following a season of constant disruption with far too many postponed matches and the incorrect recording of them; it was agreed that there is a need to tighten up on the rules surrounding this issue. The proposed changes will be published on the web-site for all to see.

They will also be sent out to all club secretaries for them to send on to **all** their club members.

7. AGM

7.1 Keith will ask Les Bone if he is willing and able to continue to audit our accounts.

Action: - Keith

7.2 Terri to send last year's minutes to all club secretaries for them to distribute to their members along with the agenda, copy of accounts and proposed rule changes.

Action: - Terri

7.3 All committee members present were asked if they would be willing to stand again. All agreed bar Dave Partridge who is unable to be the Press Officer next season but will continue as Development Officer. Mike will ask Gill, George, and Dave MacDonald if they will stand.

Action; - Mike Secretary's note:

Mike has confirmed that all members will stand for re-election.

8. Any Other Business

8.1Terri advised that all courses for coaches are being run by 'Energise Me'.

8.2 Terry White will look into whether he needs to update his First Aid Certificate.

Action: - Terry

8.3Terry asked if all players in a league winning team would receive a trophy.

Mike will confirm numbers of trophies awarded with Dave MacDonald.

Secretary's note: Dave confirmed to Mike that only 4 trophies are given out to each team.

8.4 Dave asked committee members to think about sponsorship and what benefits it would bring to the league.

9. Date of Next Meeting

9.1The next meeting will be the AGM on Wednesday 21st June at the Rugby Club. Meeting to start promptly at 7.30pm

Secretary's note:-

9.2 The committee was approached by TTE to attend our AGM and we have invited them along. Either Greg Yarrall or Chris Brown will be giving a presentation promptly at 7.30pm.

9.3 The committee thanked Tony and his wife for hosting and for the lovely refreshments.