

Basingstoke and District Table Tennis Committee Meeting
Monday 6th March 2023
7.30pm
at
7 Anton Close
Oakley
RG 23 7AG

Present: - Mike Wood, Terri Allison, Terry White, Keith Russell, Celia Hooker and Chris Parkyn

1. Apologies for absence

Jan MacDonald, Martin Gilbey, Tony Amies and Mark Every

2. Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting on 30th November 2022, were approved.

3. Matters Arising

5.2 Mike arranged with the football club, who normally have an early morning slot in the Sports Hall at Aldworth every Saturday, that we would have the whole day on Saturday 1st April to hold the Closed Championships. However the football club has not told the Office this. Mike will remind them and ask that they inform the Office. The finals may now be played at Old Basing.

Actions:- Mike and Keith

7.4 Keith will return monies to those teams that paid the fines twice at the AGM.

Action:- Keith

4.2(2) Chris has forwarded some ideas for changes and awaits confirmation from Committee to go ahead with a revised format.

Action:- Chris

4.2(3) Chris is still working on setting up a redirect from general TTE enquiries of Basingstoke table tennis facilities.

Action:- Chris

4.2(4) Coaching is now more prominent on the the web-site

Action :- Closed

4.4(1) & (2) Mark is still pursuing new venues for a Centre

Action:- Closed

6.2 Mike has a list of key holders for the Match room that needs updating.

Action:- Mike and Terry

4. Officer's Reports

4.1 Treasurer's report

Keith reported that we now have an additional £1,800 over and above that which was reported at the last meeting.

£1,276 in our current account

£28,547 in a savings account

£985 held in a separate coaching account.

£621 to bank from the season 2021/2022 Essex Road hire

He was confident that we are breaking even at the moment though the increase in electricity bill that will be forthcoming from the council for Essex Road may change things.

4.1(2) Keith will arrange to get the audited accounts prepared for the AGM in June.

Action:- Keith

4.2 Web-Master's report

4.2(1) Chris was very complimentary regarding the current web-site but has lots of ideas of his own to change things to make a very different but still very informative and efficient working web-site for all users.

4.2(2) The new web site has been updated to be mobile friendly and also resolve outdated packages used in the current site.

4.2(3)) New web site includes an updated flow, from player registration and team management that will need to be carried out by the club secretaries and team captains. Additional suggestion was to include look up for TT membership to validate players have registered with TT England and confirmation that fees have been made.

The Committee thanked Chris for all his work as it is very time consuming.

4.3 Registration Secretary's report

Celia submitted her report as follows:-

4.3(1) There are currently 3 outstanding matches from earlier in the year. Oakley A versus Oakley B is arranged and we await news of the dates for Hannington versus KG 'B' and St Peter's versus Aldworth 'C'

St Peter's has been trying to arrange a date for several weeks now.

4.4 Development Officer's Report

No report

4.5 Coaching/ Essex Road Officer's report

4.5(1) Terry reported that the outer toilet door at Essex Road is still unable to be locked as yet again someone was locked in and the door had to be broken to get them out. The toilets are still serviceable so no real problem for users.

4.5(2) The Coaching is going well at the moment with 20 plus attending.

4.5(3) Steve Armstrong very kindly fixed the wheels on some of our tables but there is a further problem with some others. Terry will ask him if he will repair for us again.

Action:- Terry

5. Closed Championships

5.1(1) Plans for the Closed Championships are going ahead. Our team of Peter Martin, Bill Bavister, Keith Russell and Mark Every have met and set up a timetable for the day.

5.1(2) Keith reported that a decision to join the cadets and juniors as one event was made and it is hoped that this will reduce time waiting for players to finish matches in other rounds.

5.1(3) Following discussion and because of the increase in the hire of the Sports Hall it was decided to charge £5 for each event entered.

5.1(4) Again because Aldworth has imposed a finish time of 7pm, it was decided to not run the one point competition usually held in the middle of the day.

5.1(5) The Championships will start promptly at 9am and entry forms will be put on the web-site and in addition sent out as an attachment to all members.

5.1(6) Jan our trophy secretary has been very proactive obtaining costings for the medals and engraving of the cups/trophies.

5.1(7) The rugby Club has increased the hire charge of their room quite considerably therefore Keith will seek an alternative suitable venue.

Action:- Keith

Secretary's note:- Since this meeting we have learned that we are now unable to book the Sports Hall for the 1st April from 8.30am, as was arranged previously with the football club. The Committee will try to re-arrange the tournament for hopefully the early part of next season.

6. A.G.M.

6.1 Keith will contact Les Bone our auditor to check he is still willing and able to examine our accounts.

Action:- Keith

6.2 The date and venue is being decided. It will be sometime in June.

7. Assignment of Company Member

TTE requires each League to nominate a Company Member who is then entitled to vote on any relevant TTE matters. Gill Larking has held this post for some time but has now relinquished the role. The Committee gave a vote of thanks to her for her support to BDTTA and her efficiency in this position. Mike was nominate by Terri and seconded by Celia to replace Gill.

8. Any Other Business

No matters were raised.

7. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be arranged via emails.

The meeting finished at 9.50pm

Terri was thanked for hosting.