Clevedon & District Clubs Skittles League Meeting Minutes

1: Call to Order

Clevedon Conservative Club: Thursday, 16th December 2021 at 8:00 PM.

2: Roll Call

Chair (committee members):

President, Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary

Floor (team representatives):

Archers, Backwell, Cleeve Devils, Conservative Club, Dark Horses, Kingston Seymour, Kingston Seymour A, Nailsea Institute, Nailsea Nomads, Woodpeckers, Wraxall

(Some teams are represented by committee members who are also team captains/representatives)

2.1: Absences

Chairman, Backwell, Nailsea Nomads

3: Apologies

G Newman [Chairman], B Simmons [Kingston Seymour A], R Ball [Backwell], D Youdell [Nailsea Nomads]

4: Reading of previous minutes

Not applicable (there were no meetings in the previous season due to the COVID-19 pandemic)

5: Approval of previous minutes

Not applicable

6: Amendments:

Not applicable

7: Agenda

7.1: Payment of league fees due

Persons representing teams present paid league fees due. (Treasurer is aware of any fees that may be outstanding)

7.2: Alley draw for Ashton Press Trophy final

The draw results were as follows:

Clevedon Conservative Club alley – A Robertson [Conservative Club] to confirm booking of alley and availability of sticker-upper

Claverham Village Hall was drawn as a reserve alley, should the above alley be unavailable

8: Any other business

8.1: Dark Horses team requesting earlier match start time at home venue

Following some complaints about the original notice on the website, the notice had been reworded at the instruction of the committee. After much discussion about the request it was agreed that the Dark Horses team captain may (continue) to phone visiting team captains, requesting an earlier attendance of set 1 players, *and providing that the visiting team are agreeable*, then the aim of getting matches finished by 10:30PM should be achievable.

8.2: Marking of spots on alley diamond

J Soper [Vice Chairman] requested all teams to check and ensure that the spots on their venue's alley diamond are correctly marked and positioned.

8.3: Covid Passes – Preparatory advice

J Pople [President] advised team captains to inform players of how to acquire a Covid Pass. An image of a Covid Pass (obtained via the NHS app) was shown to those present. The reasoning is: that should our venues require such a pass at some point in the near future, then at least the players would be prepared. Alternative ways to obtain a pass, other than the NHS app, were discussed.

8.4: Backwell v Cleeve Devils match – non event

A Hooper [Cleeve Devils] expressed the upset and frustration caused by this non event, in particular that no notice was received. The omission of notice was deemed to be out of order. It was accepted that there would be no point in any rearranged match occurring, because neither team's result would affect the overall outcome of APT Group 1 results.

A proposal followed that Cleeve Devils should be awarded 10 points: Proposed by J Soper [Vice Chairman] & seconded by R Chappell [Kingston Seymour].

Outcome: motion carried

(Website will be updated with the 10 points awarded).

J Pople [President] requires an email to be sent to all captains reminding them of rule 27. P Battye [Secretary] shall action this.

8.5: Coping with a potential lockdown

J Pople [President] proposed we vote that should another lockdown situation occur at any point during the current season, then:

The league classes it to be the end of the season, **but**, should such a lockdown be for only a short duration (and end prior to the scheduled season end date), then the league re-schedules its fixtures etc. as and where possible – as an example only: forgo the Hospital Cup and reschedule remaining league matches.

Outcome: motion carried unanimously

8.6: Suggestion to change rule 23

D Hudson [Nailsea Institute] suggested that the way teams are ranked (see rule 23), be changed so that away wins are ranked, rather than the current use of all wins being ranked. The reasoning behind the suggestion is that all other awards are based solely on away statistics.

The committee responded that the suggestion be placed in writing and submitted to the Secretary prior to the next AGM (see rule 30).

P Battye [Secretary] requested that the wording of such proposed changes be very specific - as webmaster he'll need to look into how/if the coding could be amended and also the development time required.

8.7: Request to change dinner/dance entertainment

R Chappell [Kingston Seymour] asked if a different type of entertainment could occur at future dinner/dance events. After a general discussion, J Powell [Treasurer] informed that he would look into the costs etc. and report back when he could.

8.8: Lateral Flow Tests - Nailsea & Backwell Rugby Club

R Smith [Dark Horses] informed us that his venue had received a notice from Nailsea & Backwell Rugby Club about a need for lateral flow tests, P Battye [Secretary] checked their website and advised that the notification published about this is a request – it is not a mandatory requirement. The consensus was that it is not an unreasonable request, and players could comply if they wish to do so.

9: Unfinished business

None

Meeting closed

Recorded as 9:15 PM