Clevedon & District Clubs Skittles League AGM Minutes

1: Call to Order

Clevedon Conservative Club: Thursday, 1st July 2021 at 8:00 PM

2: Election of Secretary

Those present were notified that S Haines had already resigned as league secretary. The President and Chairman had asked P Battye if he was prepared to take on the role, and P Battye had agreed (subject to being officially elected).

Proposed: J Soper Seconded: B Simmons Outcome: P Battye elected

3: Roll Call

Chair: President, Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary - all present

Floor:
Archers
Backwell
Cleeve Devils
Conservative Club
Dark Horses
Kingston Seymour
Kingston Seymour A
Nailsea Institute

Nailsea Nomads

Woodpeckers

Wraxall

4: Apologies

The President and Chairman were pre-notified by email that the following teams would not be attending:

Bellbusters

Grovers

Missorts (team disbanded)

5: Reading of Minutes for last AGM

The secretary read out the minutes of the last AGM dated 20th June 2019 and these were duly signed off by G Newman

(An AGM did not occur in 2020 due to Covid and the restrictions imposed)

6: Matters arising/amendments

None

7: Treasurer's report - adopted report

J Powell handed out copies of the Balance Sheet to all persons present. Summary:

Prior balance in hand £2187.77+ Incomes received £2120.00 Total: £4307.77

Expenditures £1579.10+
Current balance £2728.67
Total: £4307.77

Profit (current balance less prior balance) £ 540.90

J Powell advised that *some* teams had paid all fees in advance for the 2019-2020 season (unfinished due to Covid) – therefore those teams are effectively 'in credit' and won't need to pay so much for the

forthcoming season. J Powell advised that this 'slightly distorts' the incomes received and profit amounts shown above.

Fees for the forthcoming season should remain the same:

Proposed: B Simmons Seconded: J Soper Outcome: motion carried

Balance sheet accepted: Proposed: R Chappell Seconded: A Hooper Outcome: motion carried

Questions arising:

The cost of the website £144.10 was queried due to the unusual 10p. J Powell explained that this figure included a small outstanding debt owed to the previous website manager (C Brown). P Battye advised that cost since he took over is £135.00 per year and that he had held it at that amount for 2 years as promised. The cost rose by approx. £4.00 last year for the domain registration, but P Battye had paid the increase himself. There is likely to be a similar increase this year, and therefore the cost to the league will have to be increased accordingly.

8: Chairman's report

G Newman reported that the league was initially running well with no hiccups until the Covid pandemic and the restrictions imposed struck. It was generally agreed that our league had handled and responded to the Covid situation in a good manner.

G Newman wishes that "we can all get back to playing skittles soon".

9: Election of officers

President asks for election of officers. There were no new candidates offering to fulfil the roles available.

Chairman:

Proposed: P Battye Seconded: J Soper

Outcome: G Newman - re-elected

Vice chairman: Proposed: J Powell Seconded: R Ball

Outcome: J Soper - re-elected

Hon. Treasurer: Proposed: R Ball Seconded: D Hudson

Outcome: J Powell - re-elected

Hon. Secretary: See item 2 above

10: President's report

- 1: Sponsorship: Our league previously had no formal or written contract with Butcombe Brewing Co., instead, sponsorship was by way of verbal/mutual agreement. J Pople advised that he has "got the sponsorship back" [on track] and is awaiting a formal contract.
- 2: Advertisers: It is proposed that the league offer the advertisers to advertise with us at half the usual cost for the forthcoming season. Additionally, they will not be invoiced until later in the season.
- 3: League format: The league should now consist of 11 (possibly 12 teams) and be as 1 division (not 2 divisions)

4: Cups format: this is to be further discussed and/or thought through – for example whether the cups (APT and Hospital) should be as groups or as knock-outs.

The general consensus was that the cups format cannot be sorted until the number of weeks required for 3 & 4 are known, and, whether such number of weeks can then be reasonably accommodated within the forthcoming season.

5: Captains were asked to try and find out from their venues (if it's possible), whether the venue would be able/ready to accommodate our return to the alleys. For example: are the alleys in a suitable condition? Are they able and/or willing to still offer food? What are/will their restrictions likely be – facemasks; social distancing; other rules; ...anything else that might affect a smooth return?

11: Any Other Business

1: Number of players in a team:

It was discussed whether we should keep the number of players as 12 or whether the number should be reduced. There were strong opinions voiced either way. However, there was a general consensus that we would not want to see teams 'losing interest' if they found themselves short of players. In an attempt to find common ground, it was generally accepted that the number of players required remain as 12 but the lowest score on the board [LSOB] may be used twice during the last set only.

Examples: if only 11 players: use LSOB once in last set; if only 10 players: use LSOB twice in last set; if 9 players or less: use LSOB twice in last set for 2 of the players short, then record a score of 0 pins for every other player short

2: Registering new players:

It was proposed that any new player can now be registered by no later than 7:00PM on the night of the match.

Requests to register a new player **must still be in written format** to the league secretary. This can be by email, by text message, or by using the website's contact page – select "Secretary & Fixtures Secretary" as the recipient.

Proposed: J Soper Seconded: R Chappell Outcome: motion passed

3: Team Captains up-to-date contact details required:

If you haven't yet done so: please email, text or use the website's contact page to provide the secretary with your up-to-date:

Telephone number (mobile and/or landline) Email address

The secretary will pass your details onto the treasurer (to save you having to send them to both persons)

Phone numbers, email addresses, etc will **not** be published on our website - please visit the website's Privacy page for further information - https://clevedonanddistrictclubsskittlesleague.co.uk/privacy.php

12: Next meeting

Provisionally: Thursday, 5th August 2021 or Thursday, 12th August 2021 Captains will be notified by email.

--- Meeting closed at: 22:14 hours ---