

Clevedon & District Clubs Skittles League

AGM Minutes

1: Call to Order

Clevedon Conservative Club: Thursday, 22nd June 2023 at 8:00 PM

2: Roll Call

Chair: President, Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary

Floor: Archers, Backwell, Cleeve Devils, Conservative Club¹, Dark Horses, Kingston Seymour, Kingston Seymour A, Nailsea Institute, Nailsea Nomads, Woodpeckers, Wraxall

¹ represented by P Battye

All teams represented except Woodpeckers

2.1: Absences

J Pople [President], J Powell [Treasurer], A Robertson [Conservative Club]

3: Apologies

J Pople [President], J Powell [Treasurer], A Robertson [Conservative Club]

4: Reading of last AGM Minutes

The secretary read out the minutes of the last AGM dated 23rd June 2022

5: Approval of previous minutes

Signed by B Simmons [Chairman]

6: Matters arising/amendments

The day and date displayed for "1: Call to order" on the last AGM minutes was incorrect. This has since been corrected by the secretary.

7: Treasurer's report

J Powell [Treasurer] was unable to attend but had communicated the following via text message beforehand:

1: League fees will remain the same for the forthcoming season.

2: The accounts (as a balance sheet) could not be completed in time because an invoice from the engraving company had not yet been received.

It is therefore anticipated that the accounts will be presented at the next captains meeting where the usual AGM protocol shall apply if the accounts are to be accepted.

8: Chairman's report

B Simmons [Chairman] thanked all captains and included thanks for the new captain of Backwell – A Dickinson. Thanks were also given to committee members. The chairman informed that the sponsorship from Butcombe Brewing Co. has been successfully secured for the forthcoming season.

9: President's report

J Pople [President] was unable to attend but had communicated via text message beforehand.

As text message extract:

"I visited the companies who advertise in our handbook. They have all agreed – I'm just waiting for 2 to confirm. I would like the availability of handbooks to be retained, as not all league members have smart phones.

In approximately the last 10 years, the adverts have raised over £2000. Last year it paid for the handbooks, all printing and some of the costs of the website - so please give handbooks to all your team members.

I would like to thank Ben for being chairman. This is the first season I have not had to do any of the chairman's work. All the best to you all."

10: Election of officers

There were no new candidates offering to fulfil the roles available.

Chairman:

Proposed: S Lewis [Wraxall]

Seconded: A Hooper [Cleeve Devils]

Outcome: B Simmons - re-elected

Vice chairman:

Proposed: S Lewis [Wraxall]

Seconded: A Dickinson [Backwell]

Outcome: J Soper - re-elected

Hon. Secretary:

Proposed: B Simmons [Chairman]

Seconded: J Soper [Vice Chairman]

Outcome: P Battye - re-elected

Hon. Treasurer:

Proposed: J Soper [Vice Chairman]

Seconded: A Dickinson [Backwell]

Outcome: J Powell - re-elected (In his absence it had to be assumed he would wish to re-stand)

11: Proposals received

11.1 Proposed by P Battye [Secretary]

That the website's homepage section "Join the league..." is made available. A link to a draft version of the proposed web page was provided in the agenda.

Aim(s): to advertise/market/inform any potential new team(s) and/or new player(s) as to how they could join our league.

B Simmons asked whether there would be any cost in adding this extra page – P Battye replied there would be no cost.

Seconded: S Lewis [Wraxall]

Vote result: unanimous for

Outcome: motion carried

11.2 Proposed by S Lewis [Wraxall]

Part 1: That the league introduces a 3rd place award for the Ashton Press Trophy whereby the 2nd placed team of group 1 plays against the 2nd placed team of group 2 (winning team gets the 3rd place award, nothing for runner-up). The award should consist of a currently unused trophy, plus a cash prize if feasible.

Format and rules: all as a normal APT game (includes s/u expense 50/50) **exceptions:** played on same date as APT final, neutral venue (randomly drawn), captain of neutral venue to book alley & s/u, no food, coin toss to decide which team plays 1st and "home" captain emails scorecard to secretary.

Aim(s): gives more teams a "feeling of inclusion" in the event (and the chance to win something), gives repurpose to an unused trophy.

Part 2: All as Part 1 above but for the Hospital Cup and with the following proviso.

Proviso: due to the probability of a neutral venue being unavailable for this HC event, the committee reserves the right to withhold the event in some seasons.

For clarity: committee members need not attend nor perform any duties like in either cup final events.

Seconded: J Soper [Vice Chairman]

Vote result: unanimous for

Outcome: motion carried

11.3 Proposed by B Simmons [Chairman]

That rules are relaxed to allow up to 2 non-registered players (referred to as “temporary players”) being permitted to play in any match except cup finals. Unlike a registered player, a “temporary player’s” scores & spares achieved will not be eligible for any award. A “temporary player” can later become registered for future matches (captain’s choice), all as per rule 12.

Affects: league rules 13 & 21 (page 5 of handbook) plus HC rule 6 (page 22 of handbook)

Aim(s): to assist teams which are constantly struggling to field 12 players.

Following a long debate about the pros & cons, and how it could be implemented etc., it was decided that the proposal as given was too complex. However, all agreed that the aim(s) of the proposal should be achieved, and that leaving the issue unresolved for a further year would not be in the best interest of the league.

It was suggested that if the wording “by no later than 7pm on the night of the match” be removed from rule 12, then this would meet the aim(s). P Battye [Secretary] explained that if any new player(s) play ‘on the night’, then it must be clearly indicated on the scorecard, because any new player(s) need to be registered before the results can be entered into the system.

Therefore, the proposal was put forward on that basis:

Seconded: S Lewis [Wraxall]

Vote result: unanimous for

Outcome: motion carried

Meeting Closed

Recorded closed at 9:20 PM