

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE RICHMOND PLACE CLUB ON WEDNESDAY 1st JULY 2009.

PRESENT: Hon. Officers and Committee Members.
Members of 67 teams signed the register.

Prior to opening the meeting Mr Keith Caldicutt – Richmond Lions, winners of the Charity Cup presented a cheque for £3000 to Mrs Tracy Prosser who represented the Skittle League’s nominated Charity – Little Princess Trust.

The Chairman then welcomed all present and opened the meeting at 7.35pm.

ROLL CALL: 4 teams – Acorns, Chucking Farmers, Optimist Lads and Welsh Club “B” failed to be represented.

It was proposed and seconded that they be fined as per Rule 20. This was carried.

APPOINTMENT OF SCUTINEERS:

Mr M Davies (Busbars) and Mr S Bailey (Oakapples) were proposed and seconded

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 2nd July 2008 were agreed. It was proposed by Mr S Bailey (Oakapples) and seconded by Mr N Payne (Lads Club Loyals) that the minutes be signed as a true record. This motion was carried unanimously.

ACCOUNTS AND AUDITORS REPORT:

Mr. A. Marchant outlined the contents of the accounts for the year 2008/2009. He reported that the increase in signing on fees had led to a much healthier balance sheet.

It was proposed that the report be accepted. This was carried unanimously.

CONSTITUTION OF THE LEAGUE FOR SEASON 2009/2010

Mr. J Martin reported that 71 teams had applied to join the league. From last season, Military “C” had resigned and Team Herdy has not re-applied a team from the Volunteer Inn, Marden – “Chucking Farmers” have applied to join the league, they were unanimously accepted to join the league.

The Secretary recommended that the format of the league should remain with 16 teams in Division One, and 14 teams in Divisions 2, 3 and 4 with 13 teams and a bye in Division 5. It was proposed by Mr W T Jones (Kemps Crusaders) that Division 1 be reduced to 15 teams with a bye and 14 teams in the remaining Divisions, which would require 5 teams to be relegated from Divisions 1 and 2. On a show of hands of 34 for and 29 against the revised constitution was carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

1. **Vice Presidents:** Mr S Bedford was proposed by Mr S Bailey (Oakapples) and seconded by Mr W T Jones (Kemps Crusaders) to continue as a Vice President.
2. **Secretary:** Mr. J Martin was proposed by Mr G Ayers (Kemps Crusaders) and seconded by

Mr M Davies (Busbars) to continue as Secretary.

3. **Treasurer:** Mr A. Marchant was proposed by Mr G Ayers (Kemps Crusaders) and seconded by Mr B Thomas (Busbars) to continue as Treasurer.

4. **Assistant Secretary:** Mr R. F. Jones was proposed by Mr W T Jones (Kemps Crusaders) and seconded by Mr G Ayers (Kemps Crusaders) to continue as Assistant Secretary.

All proposals were carried unanimously.

It was unanimously agreed to remain with Phillips & Co as our Auditors.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Mr M Oliver (Evans) and Mr S Bailey (Oakapples) were willing to stand again and Mr O Ayers (Richmond Lions) was proposed by Mr G Ayers (Kemps Crusaders) and seconded by Mr W T Jones (Kemps Crusaders). All three were elected to serve on Committee for the next three years.

NOMINATION OF CHARITY 2009/2010

The Secretary informed the meeting that there were no outstanding charity nominations and it had been proposed by Mr R F Jones (Richmond Lions) that in memory of previous Office holders that St Michaels Hospice should be the nominated charity for the forthcoming season. As there were no further nominations from the floor this motion was seconded by Mr A Marchant (Richmond Northend). A vote was taken and the motion was carried unanimously.

The Secretary thanked those present for their generous donations for last years charity and hoped that the sum of over £3000 could be achieved again.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

1 (a) That the registration fee per team remains at £30.00.
This was carried unanimously.

1 (b) That the signing on fee per player be increased to £2.50.
This was carried unanimously.

1 (c) That the registration fee per team for the Summer Cup remain at £5.00.
The motion was carried

1 (d) That the signing on fee per player for the Summer Cup remains £1.00 per player
The motion was carried.

1 (e) That the singles/pairs entrance fees remains at 50p per player.
This was carried unanimously.

2. The Committee proposed that a substitute be allowed in the first round only of the singles competition provided that he is from the same club and that he plays in all subsequent rounds.
This amendment was voted on and was carried unanimously.

3. The Committee proposed that a team having eight or more players, but less than twelve, by the commencement of a match be allowed to play one player twice. This player will be selected by the opposing captain after the name have been entered onto the scoreboard and before the commencement of the game. This additional player will be entered at number twelve on the scoreboard and will play four legs in his normal and his additional four legs in the number twelve position. He will be entered onto the scorecard as A N Other and with an * to indicate that he has bowled twice. A team will only be allowed to play an additional player on two occasions during a season and will be notified when this has occurred. Any Occurrence after this notification will result in the deduction of that players score. (This applies to Rule 15).

With the agreement that this would only apply to League matches it was voted upon and with 47 for and 25 against the proposal was carried.

There being no other business the President closed the meeting at 8.15pm.

Mr D Prosser (President)