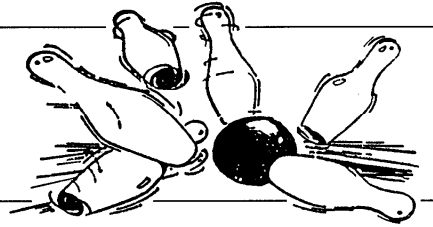


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SKITTLE LEAGUE**



**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE  
RICHMOND PLACE CLUB ON WEDNESDAY 2nd JULY 2014.**

**PRESENT:** Hon. Officers and Committee Members.  
Members of 63 teams signed the register.

Prior to opening the meeting Mr A Hunt – Tattibogoes, winners of the Charity Cup presented a cheque for £3500 to Loraine Coleman, Project Manager of Herefordshire Heartstart which was this year's nominated charity. Mrs Coleman responded with a short speech of gratitude.

The Chairman then welcomed all present and opened the meeting at 7.40pm.

**ROLL CALL:** 6 teams – Lost Heads, Rafateers, Richmond 'A', Southend, Wanderers and Westend failed to be represented.

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

**APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS:**

Mr M Davies (Committee) and Mr S Fleet (Committee) were proposed and seconded

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2013 were agreed. It was proposed by Mr A Collett (GWRSA 'C') and seconded by Mr S Benjamin (Antelopers) 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 2013/2014. He reported that the balance sheet showed a surplus of £700 which was an increase on last year and expressed thanks to those who supported the Richmond Club Bingo sessions which contributed to the charity donations which enabled us to make an excellent presentation this evening. There being no questions it was proposed by Mr D Prosser (M & B Seven Stars) and seconded by Mr M Davies (Committee) that the report be accepted. This was carried unanimously.

**CONSTITUTION OF THE LEAGUE FOR SEASON 2014/2015**

Mr. J Martin reported that 68 teams had applied to join the league, Dead Men Walking had failed to re-apply by the deadline but were present at the meeting and wished to enter for next season. They were readmitted into Division 5 as a new team as per Rule 8.

The Chairman announced that he had received a note from Mr R F Jones advising that Westend were indebted to the League by failing to pay fines for late result sheets, therefore were ineligible for membership as per Rule 4. Due to Westend not being present they were unable to comment on the situation. The Secretary then suggested that the meeting be suspended while he telephoned the Secretary of Westend to advise him of the situation and establish if they were prepared to pay the fine and re-enter the League as a new team. Conversation with the Secretary of Westend established that although he was unhappy with the fact that the non payment of fines had resulted in Rule 4

being applied he stated that they wished to continue in membership of the League and would pay the outstanding fine by the following day..

Mr J Martin then returned to the meeting and informed the membership of the conversation. The proposal that Westend be admitted as a new club in Division 5 on payment of the outstanding fine as per Rule 4 was proposed by Mr R Weston (Credenhill 'A') and seconded by Mr N Payne (Marsh's Marauders) and accepted unanimously.

The format of the league would now consist of 14 teams in Divisions 1 to 4 with 3 teams promoted from Divisions 2 to 5. 2 teams will then be relegated from Divisions 1 to 3 with 1 team relegated from Division 4. Division 5 will now consist of 13 teams. This proposal was unanimously approved.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

**Secretary:** Mr. J Martin was proposed by Mr M Davies (Committee) and seconded by Mr A Collett (GWRSA'C') to continue as Secretary.

3. **Treasurer:** Mr A. Marchant was proposed by Mr N Payne (Marsh's Marauders) and seconded by Mr P Martindale (Woodpeckers) to continue as Treasurer.

4. **Assistant Secretary:** Mr R. F. Jones was proposed by Mr M Davies (Committee) and seconded by Mr S Benjamin (Antelopers) to continue as Assistant Secretary.

All proposals were carried unanimously.

It was proposed by Mr A Collett (GWRSA 'C') and seconded by Mr S Benjamin (Antelopers) and carried unanimously that we remain with Knipe Whiting Heath & Associates as Auditors.

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:**

Mr M Davies (Busbars) and Mr S Colcombe (Welsh Club 'W') are willing to stand again and Mr I Collins (Tattibogoes) has accepted an invitation to serve on the Committee. It was proposed by Mr A Gladwyn (Harry's Lads) and seconded by Mr D Prosser (M & B Seven Stars) and unanimously agreed that they be elected to serve on Committee for the next three years.

### **NOMINATION OF CHARITY 2014/2015**

The Secretary informed the meeting that he has received one charity nomination which was from The ELY Memorial Fund which helps with funeral costs for persons from Herefordshire under the age of 25 who have lost their life in a car accident. There being no other nomination this was the Executive Committee's recommendation. It was proposed by Mr A Herbert (United Farmers) and seconded by Mr S Apperley (Richmond HUSC) that The ELY Memorial Fund be nominated as the Charity for Season 2014/2015. This was carried unanimously.

### **NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

1 (a) That the registration fee per team remain at £35.00.  
This was carried unanimously.

1 (b) That the signing on fee per player remain at £3.00.  
This was carried unanimously.

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

- 1 (d) That the signing on fee per player for the Summer Cup remains £1.00 per player  
This was carried unanimously.
- 1 (e) That the singles/pairs entrance fees remains at 50p per player.  
This was carried unanimously.
- 1 (f) That the charity donation remains at £15.00 per team.  
This was carried unanimously.
- 1 (g) That the Charity Cup entrance fee remains at £1.00 per player.  
This was carried unanimously.
2. Motion submitted by Lads Club Kemps that Rule 15 'The Rules of the game of skittles' be changed from 'teams shall consist of 12 players' to 'teams shall consist of ten players'. This is to replace the playing of A N Other.  
**Amendment a)** – Submitted by Executive Committee 'that in Divisions 1 to 3 teams shall consist of twelve players, in Divisions 4 and 5 teams can consist of up to twelve players but only the ten highest scores are to count'.  
After much discussion a revised motion that all teams could play ten players with the score being increased to twelve by inserting the lowest and second lowest team member score in the number eleven and number twelve positions was proposed by Mr R Eames (Military 'D') and seconded by Mr S Apperley (Richmond HUSC). This amendment was voted upon with 7 against and was therefore carried.
3. Proposal by Executive Committee on cup matches for decision by Members as follows:-  
i) Should each competition consist of ten players.  
ii) Should some rounds be played prior to the start of the season.  
iii) Should there be one finals night for all three cup competitions.  
Discussion followed with little consensus on the way forward and the Secretary suggested that he would try fitting the Man for Man competition in with all rounds on a Friday night with all teams entering. This suggestion was proposed by Mr D Cartwright (Evans S C) and seconded by Mr A Hunt (Tattibogoes) and carried unanimously.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm.

Mr P A Woolf (Chairman)