

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE RICHMOND
PLACE CLUB ON WEDNESDAY 4th JULY 2012.**

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

Prior to opening the meeting Mr Alistair Hunt – Tattibogoes, winners of the Charity Cup presented a cheque for £1600 to Mrs Chatburn who represented Open Gate Social Club, and a cheque for £1600 to Mrs Coleman who represented Herefordshire Heartstart which were this years nominated charities. Both responded with a short speech of gratitude.

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

ROLL CALL: 8 teams – Bartonsham Farmers, GWRSA 'B', Legionaires, Nalgo 'B', Pyoneers, Southend, Southend Travellers, and Wranglers 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 (Committee) and Mr D Prosser (M & B Sags) were proposed and seconded

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 6th July 2011 were agreed. It was proposed by Mr M Davies (Committee) and seconded by Mr D Prosser (M & B Sags) 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 2011/2012. He reported that the balance sheet showed a surplus of £3005 most of which was due to a reduction in the cost of trophies. There being no questions it was proposed by Mr M Davies (Committee) and seconded by Mr B Thomas (Busbars) that the report be accepted. This was carried unanimously.

CONSTITUTION OF THE LEAGUE FOR SEASON 2012/2013

Mr. J Martin reported that 71 teams had applied to join the league. One new team, Vaga Misfits playing at the Vaga Tavern have applied to join the league and were accepted unanimously.

The Secretary recommended that the format of the league should consist of 14 teams in Divisions 1 to 4 with 15 teams in Division 5. 4 teams will be promoted to Divisions 1 to 4, 4 teams will then be relegated from Divisions 1 to 4. The new team will complete Division 5.

This was carried by a show of hands with 45 in favour and 8 against.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

- Secretary:** Mr. J Martin was proposed by Mr R F Jones (Richmond Lions) and seconded by Mr M Davies (Busbars) to continue as Secretary.
3. **Treasurer:** Mr A. Marchant was proposed by Mr D Prosser (M & B Sags) and seconded by Mr M Davies (Busbars) to continue as Treasurer.
4. **Assistant Secretary:** Mr R. F. Jones was proposed by Mr W T Jones (Vice President) and seconded by Mr D Prosser (M & B Sags) to continue as Assistant Secretary.

All proposals were carried unanimously.

It was proposed by Mr B Thomas (Busbars) and seconded by Mr A Collett (G W R S A "C") and carried unanimously that we remain with Knipe Whiting Heath & Associates as Auditors.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Mr M Oliver (Evans S C) is willing to stand again and Mr A Collett (GW RSA 'C') and Mr S Fleet (Barton) have both expressed a desire to serve on the Committee. It was proposed by Mr W T Jones (Vice President) and seconded by Mr B Thomas (Busbars) and unanimously agreed that they be elected to serve on Committee for the next three years.

NOMINATION OF CHARITY 2011/2012

The Secretary informed the meeting that there were no outstanding charity nominations from previous years but we have received two requests for consideration. These were from Herefordshire Heartstart who have submitted an application outlining their case and Herefordshire MS Therapy Centre proposed by Conservative 'C', which was the Executive Committee's recommendation because Herefordshire Heartstart had been one of the charities the previous year. It was proposed by Mr M Davies (Busbars) and seconded by Mr E Smith (Conservative 'C') that Herefordshire MS Therapy Centre be nominated as the Charity for Season 2012/2013. This was carried unanimously.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

- 1 (a) That the registration fee per team be increased to £35.00.
This was carried on a vote of 39 for and 15 against.
- 1 (b) That the signing on fee per player be increased to £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. The Committee propose that - The Executive Committee have the power to expel any Club or player persistently breaking the Rules of the League subject to a right of appeal by the Club or player to a properly convened Special General Meeting. (Change to Rule 11). This was carried unanimously.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.07pm.

Mr P A Woolf (Chairman)