

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE RICHMOND PLACE CLUB ON WEDNESDAY 6th JULY 2011.

PRESENT: Hon. Officers and Committee Members.
Members of 64 teams signed the register.

Prior to opening the meeting Mr Alistair Hunt – Tattibogoes, winners of the Charity Cup presented a cheque for £1750 to Mr M Hubbard who represented Hereford Breathe Easy Group, and a cheque for £1750 to Mrs Lyn Bavin who represented St Michael's Hospice 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: 6 teams – Bartonsham Farmers, Nalgo “B”, Southend. Trevor Williams, Westend 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 S Bailey (Oakapples) and Mr A Colley (G W R S A “B”) were proposed and seconded

MINUTES: The minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 7th July 2010 were agreed. It was proposed by Mr B Thomas (Busbars) and seconded by Mr S Bailey (Oakapples) 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 2010/2011. He reported that the balance sheet showed a loss of £31 on the year but was happy with this as we are not in the business to make a profit. There being no questions it was proposed by Mr M Davies (Committee) and seconded by Mr S Bailey (Oakapples) that the report be accepted. This was carried unanimously.

CONSTITUTION OF THE LEAGUE FOR SEASON 2011/2012

Mr. J Martin reported that 70 teams had applied to join the league. From last season, Lads Club Legends had not registered and Rebels had resigned during the season. Two new teams, Herdsman Howlers playing at the Herdsman and Livin on a Spare playing at Hereford Snooker Centre 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 each Division. 4 teams will be promoted to Divisions 1 to 4, 4 teams will then be relegated from Divisions 1 and 2, 3 teams from Division 3 and 2 teams from Division 4. The 2 new teams will complete Division 5.

This was carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

At this point the Chairman moved to item 9 on the agenda Motion 2 submitted by the Committee that the President shall hold office for a period of three years and shall be eligible for re-election as President (Change to Rule 9). It Was proposed by Mr M Oliver (Committee) and seconded by Mr B Thomas (Busbars) that this be accepted and was carried unanimously.

1. **President:** Mr P Woolf was proposed by Mr L Walker and seconded by Mr M Davies to become President.
2. **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 G Ayers (Vice President) 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 (Kemps Crusaders) and seconded by Mr J Rosser (Beevers) to continue as Assistant Secretary.

All proposals were carried unanimously.

It was proposed by Mr S Bailey (Oakapples) and seconded by Mr A Collett (G W R S A "C") and carried unanimously that we remain with Phillips & Co as Auditors.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Mr S Colcombe (Trevor Williams) and Mr M Davies (Busbars) were willing to stand again there being no other nominations were 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 Open Gate Social Club and Herefordshire Heartstart who both submitted applications outlining their case. It was proposed by Mr M Davies (Busbars) and seconded by Mr D Prosser (M & B Sags) that both be nominated as joint Charities for Season 2011/2012. This was carried unanimously.

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 £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 be increased to £15.00 per team.
This was carried unanimously.
- 1 (g) That the Charity Cup entrance fee be increased to £1.00 per player.
This was carried unanimously.
3. The Committee propose that the number of teams to be promoted from each of the lower divisions be reduced to three commencing the end of season 2011/2012. (Rule 8). Asked why the need for change the Secretary explained that under the current system only 6 teams remained in each Division at the end of the season and there were trophies presented to the first three in each Division only. This was carried unanimously.
4. **Amendment b)** Submitted by The Regulars that the maximum number of players per team be reduced to 10. (Rule 5). Proposed by Mr G Ayers (Kemps Crusaders and seconded by Mr N Kirby (The Regulars) that this be accepted. On a show of hands this was rejected unanimously.
- Amendment a)** Submitted by Lads Club Loyals, seconded by Kemps Crusaders that teams be allowed to play 10/11 players against 12 with the 10 best scorers from both teams to count. (Rule 5). Proposed by Mr G Ayers (Vice President) and seconded by Mr I M Jones(Kemps Crusaders) this was defeated unanimously.
- A It was proposed by Mr S Benjamin (Antelopers) that teams should be allowed to use N Other for an unlimited number of times a season. This was seconded by Mr D Prosser(M & B Sags) and on a show of hands was accepted unanimously.
- A second proposal by Mr R Eames(Military 'D') that the lowest score of each leg be used in place of A N Other was seconded by Mr B Thomas (Busbars) but was defeated on a show of hands.
5. Motion submitted by Committee that the playing of A N Other be rescinded if previous amendments were approved was lost.
6. Motion submitted by Mr G Ayers Vice President), seconded by Mr I Jones (Kemps Crusaders) that teams playing in the Charity Cup must comprise of at least one female was unanimously defeated on a show of hands.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35pm.

Mr P A Woolf (Chairman)

