

HASTINGS & DISTRICT BADMINTON LEAGUE

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of The Hastings & District Badminton League held at the Civil Service Sports Club on Tuesday 4th September 2012 at 7.30 pm.

The meeting was chaired by Ian Tomlin.

Present:

All registered clubs were represented.

1. Apologies:

Helen Mattock (Chair).

2. Minutes:

The minutes of the previous AGM (2011) were circulated to club secretaries prior to the meeting.

3. Matters Arising:

There were no matters arising and the minutes were passed as correct.

4. Correspondence:

Information regarding the upcoming Sussex 3 Series Tournament has been received from Sussex County Badminton Association (SCBA). This has been forwarded to the committee and will be circulated to all clubs in due course.

5. Chairman's Report.

Ian reported on behalf of the Chair. All work done by the Committee had been completed online and there had been no need to hold any meetings this season. It is proposed that the Committee continue to work in this fashion but that meeting would be held if the need arose.

6. Treasurer's Report:

Karen stated that there had been little activity in respect of accounts this season, the only expenses incurred had been for engraving and hall hire for a meeting. It was queried whether the main account could be transferred to an interest bearing account – this was not possible at the moment as signatories were being changed on the accounts, once this was completed then a change of bank/building society would be considered.

It was agreed that in light of the positive balance, any Tournament run by the League would be subsidised.

Alan Harman (Battle) proposed the accounts be adopted. Seconded by Diana Burton (Hailsham).

The meeting unanimously agreed the accounts.

7. Match Secretary's Report:

Ian reported that generally the season had gone well. There had been some disruption due to the weather which required matches to be rearranged. There had also been an early season hiccup with one team dropping out of a Mixed Division without prior notification. There was the continuing problem of match cards being submitted late and incomplete. If the meeting agreed to the rule change re online administration then these issues would be resolved and clubs would be able to access up to date information re their league position.

Three clubs would not be entering teams this season: - Northeye, YMCA B (Men's Division 2); Woodlands C (Mixed Division 3).

8. League Trophy Presentations:

Les Rowley presented the trophies. Men's 1 - CSSA, Men's 2 – Homewood Ladies - St Johns
Mixed 1 - St Johns, Mixed 2 – Woodlands A, Mixed 3 – Northeye

9. League Rules:

The Committee proposed the following amendments:

Amendment to Rule 8:-

8iv All results, fixtures and player registration to be completed online.

On a show of hands this amendment was agreed there being no votes against.

Amendment to Rule 30:-

At the end of a match the result shall be uploaded on the website as a true record of the games won and lost by the winning team within 21 days. Failure to submit the result within 21 days by the winning team will result in the match being declared a draw.

On a show of hands this amendment was agreed there being no votes against.

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To replace Rule 31 with:-

Rule 31:- All matches in the league shall be scored at one point for each rubber won (a rubber being the best of 3 games played against opposing pairs); making 9 points available for per match.

On a show of hands this was agreed with one vote against.

Rye BC proposed the following amendments:-

Amendment to Rule 34:-

The winning team at the top of the division shall normally be promoted to the next higher division.

Amendment to Rule 35:-

The team bottom of a division shall be relegated to the next lower division.

On a show of hands this was agreed with two votes against.

10. Election of Officers:

There were no nominations received prior to the meeting. From within the current committee nominations were: Helen Mattock, (Chair). Les Rowley, (Secretary). Ian Tomlin, (Match Secretary). Karen Lloyd, (Treasurer). Nominated as elected members: Elissa Seddon, Alan Harman, Mark George, and Will Savage who volunteered from the meeting.

The Officers and Committee were elected unanimously en block.

11. Any Other Business.

Dates for Veterans Tournament were circulated -

There was support from the meeting for the Interclub Tournament to be resurrected. The Committee will make arrangements for the Tournament and details will be circulated to all clubs in due course.

Meeting closed at 20.35

The fixture meeting followed.