

MID GLOUCESTERSHIRE BADMINTON LEAGUE

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 10th September 2008 At BAWA (Room 4), Southmead Road, Bristol, 7.30 p.m.

Present: Alan Kitley (Chair), Adrian Cantwell (Treasurer), Piers Hutton (Secretary),
Steve Bird (President), Ruth Hutton

Club Representatives:

	Beaufort Park/Beaufort	Berkeley
Bishop Road	Chew Park	Frampton Cotterell
Imperial	Kingswood	RWP
Pill		Raysfield
Severnvale	St Lukes	Tetbury
Yate	St Ursulas	Avon Jets

Introduction

The chair welcomed guests and the league clubs

1. Apologies

None

2. Minutes of Last AGM – 12th September 2007

Acceptance proposed by Berkeley, seconded by St. Lukes. Vote: Unanimous

3. Matters Arising

None

4. Chairman's Report

Alan made the following points:

- Thanked Committee for their work throughout the year.
- Fairly successful season, but drew attention to his concerns outlined in his letter to clubs regarding 'clubs not fielding full teams'. Also some clubs are only managing to field 2 pairs, which is worrying.
- At last years' AGM there had been plenty of discussion about late/non registration of players. The situation has shown a dramatic improvement and the league committee has decided that there should be no tightening of the rules.
- AK had managed to visit all but two of the league clubs, offered apologies to Tetbury and Pucklechurch.
- Severnvale were congratulated on getting into the final playoffs of the England Club competition.

5. Presentation of Trophies by Steve Bird

Mixed	Division 1	Severnvale A
	Division 2	St. Lukes B
	Division 3	Frampton A
	Division 4	Frampton B
Men's	Division 1	Raysfield
	Division 2	Pill

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6. Presentation of Dennis Aspinall Award by Steve Bird

The chair was pleased to announce that the Dennis Aspinall award had been won by members from a lower division. The winners were

Lucy and Brendon Bratcher of Berkeley

7. Treasurers Report

Copies of the Accounts were distributed. Adrian made the following points:

- Made a modest loss of £3.56, primarily due to the higher AGM hire cost for 2007 AGM.
- The biggest expenditure (£100) continued to be for the League Fixtures books
- Closing Balance - £462.85
- There were no questions regarding the accounts

Acceptance proposed by Kingswood, seconded by St. Lukes. Vote: Unanimous

8. Motion: Registration Fee

The Hon Treasurer recommended that the registration fee remain at £7.00 per team

Acceptance proposed by Chew Park, seconded by Pill. Vote: Unanimous

9. Press Officers Report

- Adrian Cantwell reported that he continued to use the Gazette series of newspapers. Due to pressure on print availability he had only managed to get the tables (no summary) in twice
- The Avon BA website was used as much as possible to keep clubs informed on league matters. League results are updated regularly during the season.

10. Secretary's Report

The Hon Secretary made a brief report:

- ♦ Main concern was the number of matches either being conceded or where only 2 pairs were fielded. This can distort league results. Also it is indicative on the fragility of some clubs. This season we have lost Pucklechurch and Kingswood from the mixed, blamed on 'a lack of ladies'. Academy was lost from the Men's because of court pressure/costs.

11. Proposal to change League Rules & Constitution

- 1 The basic proposal was to amend Rules 5 and 6 to change to RPS scoring system. Should RPS be adopted then proposals to change the league structure would then be voted on.

The motion to adopt RPS was proposed by Severnvale and seconded by St. Ursulas.

The voting was 10 in Favour; a majority of 11 was required. So the motion was lost as the 2/3^{rds} majority was not achieved.

The meeting agreed that the same set of RPS proposals be placed on the 2009 AGM.

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12. Election of Officers

Position	Nominee	Proposed	Seconded	Vote
Chair	Alan Kitley	Beaufort-Park	Bishop Road	Unanimous
President	Steve Bird	St. Ursulas	Yate	Unanimous
Vice-President	No Nomination			
Secretary	Piers Hutton	St. Ursulas	Yate	Unanimous
Treasurer	Adrian Cantwell	St. Ursulas	Yate	Unanimous

13. A.O.B.

- None

14. Next Years' Divisions

This year the mixed section had lost 3 teams – Bishop Road, Kingswood & Pucklechurch. The men's section had lost Academy and gained Bishop Road & Yate.

Regarding the Mixed the options were 6,5,5 or 5,5,6.

Voting 6,5,5 1 in favour
 5,5,6 13 in favour
 2 Abstentions

Regarding the Men's the options were 6 & 5 or 5 & 6

Voting 6,5 4 in favour
 5,6 6 in favour

Mixed Division 1	Mixed Division 2	Mixed Division 3
Severnvale A	Raysfield	Yate
St. Lukes A	Severnvale B	Berkeley
Beaufort Park	Imperial	RWP
Chew Park	St Ursulas	Avon Jets
St Lukes B	Frampton A	Frampton B
		Tetbury

Men's Division 1	Men's Division 2
Raysfield	Yate
Severnvale	Kingswood
Beaufort Park	RWP
Tetbury	Avon Jets
Pill	Bishop Road
	Beaufort

15. Arrangement of Fixtures

The meeting commenced making fixtures at 8.12 p.m.

Signed :
 Chairman

Date: 16th September 2009