

Leamington and District Table Tennis Association

Minutes of the Executive Committee held on 13 November 2003 at AP Sports and Social Club.

Present:- Malcolm Macfarlane (in the chair), Richard Grover, Derek Harwood, Steve Hawkins, Doug Lowe, Carol Meredith, Phil Paine, Ian Stevens, Caroline Williams and Estyn Williams.

Apologies for absence:- John Earles, Hazel Higgins and Andrew Meredith,.

1. Minutes -The minutes of the last meeting held on 10 September 2003 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman subject to the addition in item 4 of 'BGN' after 'St Georges'.

2. Matters arising

The committee was pleased to note that the President had visited matches at a number of venues.

3. Correspondence

From ETTA –questionnaire about the participation of women and girls in table tennis - it was agreed that the Secretary should request an electronic copy from ETTA to be posted on the web site.

4. League report

a. There was a backlog of results to be reported because of the postal strike but things were now returning to normal.

b. The majority of membership forms had been returned.

5. Financial report

ETTA fees of £706 and Warwickshire TTA fees of £437 had been paid.

6. Representative report

Two sessions of the Heart of England cadets had been completed and Leamington were in around 4th position. In the Midland League the seniors had won one, the juniors had lost one and veterans D had drawn one. The draw for the ETTA knock out cups had been posted on the ETTA web site.

7. Competitions report

13 teams had entered for each cup.

8. Warwickshire report

a. There had been no meeting.

b. Warwickshire's hosting of senior division 2A had been a success. The committee recorded its thanks to Carol Meredith for organising the refreshments and to Malcolm Macfarlane for the results service. The way the event had been organised meant that Warwickshire and the other counties in the division had made a considerable saving on costs.

c. Entry forms for the Warwickshire Closed would be out next week including for the first time U13 events.

d. Invitations to the Regional Trials had been given to Michael Rowan, Stephanie Hawkins, and Ros, Edward and Charlotte Freeman.

9. Press report

The Courier had proposed to cut back its table tennis reports to just a results service. However a large number of members had emailed the Courier to protest. As a result they had decided to compromise and continue with fuller reports though pressure of space meant that the reports would be slightly shorter than in the past.

10. Coaching report

The number of Leamington players receiving coaching from Ian Marshall had increased considerably as a result of the decision to offer coaching to Leamington players at half the price charged to others.

11. HQ report

There was a hole in the roof of HQ. Alf Chapman will deal with this.

12. AOB

AP has a robot for sale for £300 ono. It is virtually brand new and cost £550. It takes 38mm balls.

13. Dates of next two meetings

It was agreed that the next meeting be held at 7.30pm on Thursday 8 January 2004 at AP and the following meeting on Thursday 18 March 2004 also at AP.

Signed Chairman.

Date