

Leamington and District Table Tennis Association

Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee held on 3rd January 2007 at WCC Staff Club.

Present:- Malcolm Macfarlane (in the chair), Sue Clarke, John Earles, Derek Harwood. Doug Lowe, Dot Macfarlane, Phil Paine, Reg Warnes and Estyn Williams.

Apologies for absence were received from Tom Brocklehurst, Richard Grover, Ian Stevens, and Caroline Williams.

1. Minutes -The minutes of the last meeting held on 11 November 2006 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. There were no matters arising.

2. Correspondence:-

a. from ETTA, routine correspondence – noted.

b. from ETTA giving sizes of leagues – noted that Leamington is now the 11th largest league in England.

b. from ETTA copies of the laws of table tennis – Agreed to circulate these to teams with the next results report.

3. General Secretaries report – suggested rule amendments.

a. changes to rule 15 (licensed balls) – agreed that the General Secretary be asked to come back with an amended proposal.

b. In rule 16 change 'game' to 'sport' – agreed that this proposal be submitted to the AGM

c. proposal to incorporate the trustee rule in the Association rules – the General Secretary was asked to report back on the legal position.

4. League report

The league secretary submitted a written report. The proposals in the report for scores for unplayed matches were accepted except that (in accordance with rule 10f) the side responsible for the match being unplayed were awarded no points so Rugby H v FC O was awarded as 3-0 and FC Q v LCP Groovers was awarded as 4-0.

The arrangements for the new spring 2 aside divisions (including a 12 team structure division B) were approved.

5. Financial report – the report was approved.

6. Representative report

It was reported that the Cadets had won the Heart of England Cadet League and had also won their first two matches in the East Midlands Cadet League. In the Midland League the Men had won their first 4 matches and the Juniors had won their first 3 matches, Vets A had not yet played and Vets B had lost their first match.

7. Competitions

The handicap for one match was queried. The chairman explained that one team had improved recently whereas the other had declined. As the handicap was based on player ratings (which use results over quite a long past period) it was to be expected that the handicap would appear favourable to the improving team. Matches due to be played in the first cup week were up to date; the 2nd cup week was this week.

8. Warwickshire report

It was agreed to invite Kelly Sibley to become a Life Member of the Association.

It was reported that a web site for Warwickshire TTA was now up and running.

9. Tournament

It was agreed that information about Presentation Evening be sent out with tournament entry forms.

10. Social report

The social secretary reported that she had booked St Patrick's Irish Club (by RNA) for £40 and a 4 piece 60s band for £450. Food would be a hot buffet with chilli, curry, salad etc. at £5 a head. The event would run from 7pm prompt to 12 midnight. Tickets would be £13 (£8 juniors). There would be a £1 reduction for those booking by 30th April. A raffle would also be held.

11. Proposals for HQ – a revised layout was submitted and approved.

12. Date of next meeting – it was agreed that the next meeting should be held on Thursday 1st March 2007 at WCC Staff Club and the following meeting on Thursday 26th April 2007. Because of changes at WCC Staff Club it was not yet taking any bookings beyond 31st March so the venue could not yet be booked for the April meeting.