

Leamington and District Table Tennis Association

Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee held on 26th April 2007 at WCC Staff Club.

Present:- Malcolm Macfarlane (in the chair), Tom Brocklehurst, Sue Clarke, Richard Grover, Hazel Higgins, Doug Lowe, Phil Paine, Ian Stevens, Caroline Williams and Estyn Williams.

Apologies for absence were received from Reg Warnes.

1. Minutes -The minutes of the last meeting held on 1st March 2007 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman. There were no matters arising.
2. Correspondence:-
 - a. from Simon Dainty and Mark Jackson – separate letters complaining that an Eathorpe team had fielded players who were in one case inappropriately strong and in the other inappropriately weak for the division concerned. The Executive Committee agreed with the complaints and agreed to look at suitable action to prevent this in future.
 - b. from Warwick DC inviting an application for rate relief for HQ – Agreed to apply accordingly
3. League report - The league secretary reported that all matches had now been finished.
4. Financial report – It was agreed that guarantee fees should be transferred to the Association's general account next year. It was also agreed that the increase in members and usage of HQ meant that there was no need to raise registration fees or HQ fees next year.
5. Social report – The social secretary reported on preparations for presentation evening. It was also agreed to run a raffle at the event. The Committee thanked Sue Clarke for her efforts.
6. Competitions report - The arrangements for taking the lights down on finals night were discussed. The General Secretary felt there were health and safety risks and suggested that this should be done by a professional. It was agreed that the lights should be left up at the end of the evening and only taken down later when there were sufficient people with suitable abilities present to ensure it could be done safely.
7. Representative report – it was reported that the Association had won the men's and junior sections of the Midland league as well as the Heart of England and East Midlands cadet leagues. The Vets team had finished third in the Midland league Division 1.
8. Competitions report – In the Coronation Trophy Eathorpe E beat H and in the Southwell Cup Eathorpe D beat J. The reasons for the low entry in the cups was discussed. It was agreed that any suggestions for changes should be submitted to the competitions secretary.
9. Press report – the Committee noted with approval the photos of the Leamington Closed in the press.
10. Coaching report – Mark Jackson was prepared to organise some coaching over the summer – it was agreed to support this financially.
11. AOB – None
- 12 Next meeting – it was agreed that the next meeting be held on 18th July (note: later changed because the league secretary would be out of the country on the date originally proposed).