Burton and District Clubs Snooker League
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Minutes of the 2022 AGM meeting
Held at Belmont Club 28 July 2022

1. **Meeting opened** at 19:36

   Apologies: Tony Wills, Simon Deakin, Rich O'Dell.

   The group noted the sad passing of Belmont's Paul Twigg.

   The chair opened the meeting noting that the year started in difficult circumstances due to covid yet all team's pulled through and fulfilled their fixtures. He noted that we finished the year in strong circumstances with a great showing at the Presentation Evening showing the solidarity in the league ad that and we go from strength to strength.

2. **Minutes from 2021:** Confirmed as a true record: Proposed: Anthony Moore , Seconded: Mark Vaughan

   Matters Arising: None.

3. **Election of Officers:**

   President: Tony Coleman, Vice President: Mark Vaughan, Chairman: Paul Slater, Vice Chairman: Mark Vaughan, Secretary (Fix/Comps/Sec): Carl Poulton, Treasurer: Carl Poulton (conversation with Rob Sanders to follow)

   Unanimously elected by the group.

4. **Election of Standing Committee:**

   S Deakin, A Moore, M Hurdman

   Unanimously elected by the group.

5. **Treasurers Report:**

   Current balance: £3911.93. We have moved bank accounts during the year to online provider Starling. The old deposit and current accounts were merged into one.

   The accounts show a complete record since 2019-20 due to the hiatus of covid and the last 2 seasons. Trophy costs have rocketed 33% since last time we purchased but we were able to cover those costs.

The presentation evening made circa £230 mainly due to the signed waistcoat thanks to Peter Maguire. Thanks to all who made the presentation evening the success it was.

Accounts true and fair reflection: Proposed: Rob Sanders Seconded: Ant Moore

6. Proposals

a. Change to Rule 26 (committee quorum)

With the reduction in committee members a proposal to reduce the size of a committee quorum was approved. A reduction to 3 from 5 people.

Updated rule: “A quorum of the committee will be 3 with at least two of the officers (chairman, secretary and treasurer) be present.”

Proposal passed unanimously.

b. Introduction of the 3 miss rule for the Premier League

Proposal to introduce a 3 miss rule for the Premier League was discussed in detail and many people brought different views to bear. Concerns on people understanding the rule, being able to put the balls back fairly and the effect it may have on the games. Overall though it was felt that a trial was worth while.

Proposal passed.

c. Introduction of a Seniors Over 65s scratch competition

Proposal to introduce a new Seniors competition was agreed.

Tony Coleman kindly agreed to sponsor the Seniors trophy at a cost of £100.

As an aside we also discussed a junior tournament and whether the numbers were available for such a tournament. The members were asked to canvas for any juniors around the leagues that would supplement a competition run by Potters club as Phil Dayton has said they can run a tournament if they can be topped up by another 8 or more juniors. Potters also happy to sponsor this.

7. League and Competitions

No changes to any of the existing rules for league and competitions. League games will start in the second week of September.

8. AOB

- **Trophies** – the condition of the trophies on return was appalling and Mark Vaughan spent a lot of time and effort cleaning them. Clubs and players should ensure trophies are returned in good condition.
- Discussion around **fixture rearrangements** was had and Carl Poulton reiterated the clear set of rules we already have for rearranging fixtures.
- **Mobile phones** – There were a number of indirect reports last season of referees being on their phones whilst refereeing a match. This is in direct contravention of Rule 27. We encourage people to report such incidents and for captains to remind each of their team members not to be on their phones whilst refereeing.
- **Playing conditions in clubs** – A member brought up the sub-optimal playing conditions of certain clubs who do not provide specifically decent match balls (Rule 18) and cleaned and ironed tables. A note to all clubs will be sent. As an aside Potters will have 4 or 5 set of match balls to donate to other clubs if necessary.
- **Orme Shield walkovers** – It was raised that those teams who do not turn up to Orme Shield Round 1 matches should not automatically go into the Orme Plate. Rule 17 to be updated.
- **Food** - Now we are post covid all Home Teams to provide food.

Meeting closed 20.46pm.

Belmont Mark Vaughan, Arron Vaughan, Rich Goldby	**Newhall** Martin Hurdman
Rolleston Rob Sanders	**Tutbury** Dave Brady
Burton Cons Paul Slater, Graham Stevens	**Potters** Phil Dayton
Alrewas Carl Poulton, Lee Louch	**Spot On**
Swad Cons	**Stapenhill** Tim Knopik
Ivanhoe Ant Moore	**Break Room** Mark Stirling
Woodville Tony Coleman	