

Exeter & District Men's Over 60's Triples Bowling League

Minutes of a Management Committee meeting held at Isca Bowling Club on Wednesday
8th March 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

1. Opening by the Chairman

The new Chairman, Peter Sweet, introduced himself telling the members he was from the Marina Bowling Club and had been their representative for some time.

He opened the meeting at 2.20pm noting that he was pleased to see so many turn up and looked forward to contributing to the Leagues continued success.

He announced that an old member of our Management Committee, Keith Weeks of Madeira, had sadly passed away the previous weekend.

2. Apologies.

David Harris (Axminster), Alan Horwood (Tiverton Park), John Heppell (Belmont), Colin Hutchings (Okehampton), Tony Tooley (Honiton), Gordon Denham (North Tawton), Vaughan Fletcher (Chardstock),

3. Minutes

Minutes of the AGM meeting held on the 5th of October 2022 had been circulated and accepted as a true record, the chairman signed a copy for the records.

4. Matters Arising

The only matters arising were to be dealt with later in the meeting.

5. Reports

5.1 Secretary

5.1.1 Tony stated that he had nothing to report at this time.

5.2 Fixtures Secretary

5.2.1 Maurice Daniel informed the meeting that apart from Division 8, which only had nine sides entered this was a full league for 2023 and he looked forward to an exciting and successful season.

He reminded everyone once again the importance of keeping him in touch with cancelled, postponed and re-arranged matches and to return results as soon as possible after the finish of the games.

5.3 Treasurers Report (Tony Broughton in place of John Abbott)

5.3.1. Tony explained that before John Abbott's death he had closed the old Over 60s Personal Bank Account and opened a new Business Account in the name of the "Over 60s Triples League" so that we could go forward with online banking.

So basically we stated a new accounting system in January 2022 with the transfer from the old account of £2494.19 .

The expenses for 2022 had been £677.35 but this included a £250 donation to the John Abbott chosen Charity and £100 each paid to Maurice Daniel and Tony Broughton, as agreed at the 2022 AGM. Leaving a current Bank Balance of £ 1,816.64.

So actual expenses had been £227.35. If this continued throughout 2023 it is most likely we would still be clear of our £1,500 reserve and therefore we could talk at our October AGM of a possible free year once again in 2024.

5.3.2 After the AGM in October 2022 the secretary was approached by Peter Sweet, our newly elected Chairman, with an offer to take over from John as the league Treasurer as well as Chairman. Tony in the meantime had obtained all documentation necessary to get Peter enrolled in that post and with the meetings permission would go ahead with that action.

6. Implications of the change to our Rule 8.9

6.1 This new Rule allows teams to take players, within their Club, from a side in a lower division to play in a higher division for up to three time. If they are taken more than this the player must then stay in the higher division.

After a few questions on the matter the members present were all happy they understood and would do their best not to abuse the system.

Maurice pointed out that we were totally reliant on the club members to act honestly as the executive committee members have no way of policing the play.

7. Team Captains for 2023

7.1 1 Tony, expressed once more the importance of keeping the Team Captains contact details on the website up-to-date. They are the first point of contact from any club that may have difficulties on any given date, such as flooding and any other cause for cancellation of a match.

He asked all representatives to ensure he is told of any changes as soon as they happen because he up-dates the website with Team Captain names daily.

8. Presentation of Trophies

8.1 The presentation of trophies then took place.

The winners of Division four, Wellington Lions and Division 6 Bradninch "A" were not present so the secretary has retained the Shields and will approach these clubs to ascertain what they wish to do.

11. Any other business

11.1 There was no other business

12. Next Meeting

12.1 The next meeting and AGM was arranged for Wednesday 4th October 2023

This being the completion of business the Chairman closed the meeting at 2.55pm.

Signed: _____ Chairman.

Date: _____