

Hampton Table Tennis Club

Minutes of AGM Held 17 May 2016 at Hampton Leisure Centre

Present: Andris Mengis, Andris Sakins, Ashley Sterry, Darren Camilleri, David Arthur, Dee Semple, Jonathan Roland, Kelvin Felix, Michelle Carter, Richard Newcombe, Rod Hatton, Ron Cooper, Sammit, Simone Perini, Sue Snell, Victor Espinosa, Wayne Carolissen.

Apologies: None received.

Election of Officers: All incumbent officers were prepared to stand again and no other volunteers came forward, so the officers remain as:

- Chairperson: David Arthur
- Vice-Chair: Rod Hatton
- Secretary: Ashley Sterry
- Treasurer: Jointly by Sue Snell and Jonathan Roland

There were no objections from those present.

Committee Members: Richard Newcombe was prepared to remain as a committee member. No other volunteers for the committee came forward.

Accounts: Sue tabled a draft set of accounts. These are still work in progress, as there are still some outstanding match fees from the season and rent to pay on the venues. The headline figures were as follows:

- Balance brought forward: £1,993
- Income: £4,806
- Expenditure: £4,263
- Balance carried forward: £2,536

Subscriptions: It was agreed to keep the current level of subscriptions and match fees to £5 per session/match. The “twice/week” rule was clarified as: “During the league season, if a league player attends a practice session on the same week as he/she has a match, then the practice session is free and he/she will need to play the team captain a £5 match fee. This concession only applies to league matches – if a player turns up to play twice a week, then it is £5 per session.”

Summer Events: The following ideas were agreed to keep interest during the summer months, when attendances traditionally fall:

- “Hard Bat” competition: Rod will organise over two Tuesday sessions in mid-July Rod
- League Table/Ladder”: Richard offered to set something up over the coming weeks Richard
- Coaching at the Vale on Wednesday nights. Rod will investigate what Dan Fielding would charge. Alternatively, Rod will offer coaching sessions. Rod

Marketing: In an attempt to increase numbers (particularly over the summer) the following measures were agreed:

- Set up a Facebook club account Andris M
- Update website Andris S
- Contact Hampton Gazette Dave
- Circulate posters Dave
- Put up posters on various notice boards All
- Contact Vivacity about updating their web page Dave

Timings: The club usually does not cover its costs over the summer months. To reduce expenditure in the summer, it was agreed to reduce the duration of the Wednesday night sessions over June, July and August to two hours (19:15 to 21:15), returning to normal in September, when the league restarts. The Committee is to monitor Tuesday night sessions to see how many people turn up. If attendances fall significantly, then a similar measure will be agreed with Vivacity.

Purchases: It was agreed to buy a replacement scoreboard for the Vale to replace the one that has gone missing and some training balls.

Rod

Any Other Business: It was agreed to look at the robot one Tuesday night to see what repairs it might need.

Dave/Rod