

ABINGDON INVITATION CRIBBAGE LEAGUE

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at the Abingdon Conservative Club 1st September 2013 at 8.00 pm

Present: G. Myers (President), I. Webb (Chairman), N. Feates (Secretary), M Wheeler (Treasurer)

General Committee: M. Bumpass, L. Halsey, H. Mullen, S. Stimpson

The Chairman, opened the meeting at 8.00 pm by welcoming the assembled Members.

1. Apologies were received from Sam O'Connor (Punchbowl) and the Plough, Long Wittenham.
2. The Minutes of the AGM held on 2 September 2012 were circulated to those present and accepted as being a true record of that meeting.
Proposed: B. Stimpson
Seconded: M. Bumpass
3. There were no matters arising from the 2012 AGM.
4. The Secretary read his Report for the season 2012-2013. Both the Summer and Winter Leagues ran very well.
5. The Treasurer presented his Report. League funds are in a healthy position with the Building Society balance being £1,360, which is £100 more than this time last year. Two new trophies were purchased during the 2012-2013 winter season (Ladies Winner and Runner-up cups). G. Myers (President) noted that the balance was still quite large for this time of the season. The Treasurer commented that there are a number of further trophies that will need replacing or modifying during the course of the forthcoming winter season. The situation will be reviewed again at the next AGM. There is no requirement to increase signing on fees for the forthcoming season. If any Member wishes to view the balance sheet they should make a request for a copy from the Treasurer.
Proposed: G. Myers
Seconded: I. Webb
6. Election of Officers

The Secretary agreed to check with Paul Gresty as to whether he wished to continue as a member of the General Committee. Adey Hesford (Boundary House) volunteered to join General Committee should a vacancy arise.

There being no other nominations and no Committee Members expressing a wish to stand down the remaining existing Committee was duly re-elected.

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Secretary: N. Feates

Treasurer: M. Wheeler

General Committee: M. Bumpass, H. Mullen, L. Halsey, P. Gresty, S. Stimpson

Proposed: B. Stimpson
Seconded: G. Mitchell
Accepted: Unanimously

7. Any other business

Two motions for consideration were discussed.

- Les Halsey (Vine) – Summer League

Les requested that those present discuss the possibility of moving the Summer League to an alternative evening as he considered that Monday was not a popular choice.

This was discussed at length and it was agreed that Monday was the only suitable evening whilst avoiding clashing with other pub games (darts, Aunt Sally etc.). Many of the teams represented confirmed that if games were moved to a Wednesday they would be unable to enter a team to certain players also playing Aunt Sally.

- Neil Munt (Saxton Arms) – Points in the event of a game not being played

At last year's AGM it was agreed that Rule 13 should be amended such that in the event of a game not being rearranged within the 28 days timescale the cancelling team should have 3 points deducted and the opposing team awarded 6 points. During the course of the last winter season this was imposed on 5 occasions – once in Division 2 and four times in Division 3 (all of the latter involved the Admiral Benbow).

Neil considered that awarding a team 6 points for not playing penalised other teams in the league to too large an extent. Neil proposed that it would be fairer if the cancelling team was awarded 0 points and the opposing team awarded 5 points (5 points being a more typical average winning score).

Those present voted as to whether Rule 13 should remain as it is (cancelling team deducted 3 points and 6 points awarded to opposing team) or changed as proposed by Neil (cancelling team awarded 0 points and 5 points awarded to opposing team).

Votes for proposed system: 8 votes

Votes for existing system: 11 votes

The result was therefore that there should be no change to Rule 13.

8. Acceptance of teams for 2013-2014 season

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.37 pm with thanks to all who attended and entries were accepted for the forthcoming 2013-2014 Winter Season.

Nigel Feates
Secretary

15 September 2013