



MINUTES OF 2005 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The meeting was held on 19th July 2005, at Gerrards Cross Memorial Centre at 8.00pm.

Committee members present:

Stuart Kennedy	Chairman/Secretary
John Farrington	Treasurer
Fiona Foy	Mixed Results Secretary
Mike Robinson	Ladies and Men's Results Secretary

Clubs represented were:

All Saints, Bohemians, Chalfont St Peter, Chalfont Monday, Chiltern Feathers, Dragons, Naphill, New Denham, Racquets, Scots Hill, Wooburn Monday, Wycombe Originals.

Apologies:

Apologies had been received from Denham, HCA and Mandeville.

Minutes of 2004 AGM

The minutes of the 2004 AGM were accepted as an accurate record of that meeting. This was proposed by Val Messenger of Dragons and seconded by Keith Glynn of Chalfont St Peter.

Chairman's Report

The Chairman said that 2004-5 season had been an uneventful one.

The league had not run the doubles tournaments during the season. We had been the only league to run tournaments for some years.

On a personal note Stuart expressed the desire to be less involved and said he may want to step down as chairman at the end of next season.

There had been no change in the number of clubs in the league or the number of teams fielded. He confirmed that the League currently comprised 4 Mixed divisions, 3 Men's and 2 Ladies.

The Ladies divisions had coped with the two or three pairs system, all of division 2 opting for two pairs while division 1 eventually had 2 two pair teams and 2 of three pairs

Treasurer's Report

John Farrington reported that there was a deficit of 250.93 for the year compared to a £221 surplus the previous year. The main causes were £200 paid to Wycombe Badminton Centre for a notice board and lower profits from the quiz night. This was offset by the reduced costs of tournaments. The current balance is sufficient for the league no increase in subscriptions is necessary.

Acceptance of the accounts was proposed by Nigel Garbett of Racquets and seconded by Keith Glynn of Chalfont St Peter and agreed unanimously.

Results Secretaries' Report

Mixed:

Fiona Foy reported that the 4 divisions had generated 132 matches. There were 8 conceded matches of which 5 were in division 1. There were few occasions when teams fielded only 2 pairs. Divisions 3 and 4 had many close matches. 12 out of 30 ended 5-4. One result card was not received but this did not affect the top or bottom of the division.

The KO Cup entry was lower than the previous year. Bohemians won the division 1-2 competition and Cedar the division 3-4.

Mens:

Mike Robinson reported that the leagues had run well.

Of particular note was the enthusiasm of the Chiltern Feathers C team who are looking forward to next season despite having lost all their matches.

Ladies:

Mike Robinson reported that the leagues had run very smoothly with the 2 or 3 pair option being rated a success. The option to play each team 3 times was mentioned

Election of Officers

The re-election of the rest of the Committee en bloc was proposed by Val Messenger of Dragons and seconded by Patricia Rayner of All Saints.

Any Other Business

Fiona Foy raised the issue of the number of times that a player can "play up" before becoming ineligible for his/her original team. Chalfont league rules say twice, Wycombe rules say 3 times. After a discussion Val Messenger (Racquets) proposed a rule change to allow players to play for a higher team 3 times. This was seconded by Russell Page (Bohemians) and accepted by the meeting.

The meeting was reminded of the need to submit results promptly. As well as post, results can be faxed, emailed or a scanned copy of the sheet can be submitted.

Fixture Meeting – The meeting will take place during the first week of September. Date to be advised later.

The meeting discussed the possibility of running tournaments in the coming season. An early summer tournament would conflict with the Wycombe summer league. September is too early and other times have not produced sufficient entries. It was decided that there would not be tournaments in 2005-6

Handbooks will still be distributed; an electronic format may conflict with the Data Protection Act. Scorecards will still be included; there was a request for the 4-player format to be included.