

MINUTES OF 1999 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The meeting was held on 14th July, 1999, at Gerrards Cross Memorial Centre at 8.00pm.

Committee members present:

Geoff Bellingham Chairman John Farrington Treasurer

Sue Unwin / Chris Pauley Mixed & K/O Results Secretary

Stuart Kennedy Secretary

Clubs represented were:

Bohemians, Cedar, Chalfont Monday, Chiltern Woods, Commonwood, Cygnets, Dragons, Evreham, Flying Feathers, HCA, Mandeville, Naphill, New Denham, Racquets, Scotts Hill, Veterans.

Apologies:

Apologies had been received from Janine Chamberlain (Ladies Sec.), Mick Goodman (mens Sec.), All Saints, Cookham and Patterson.

The Chairman, Geoff Bellingham, called the meeting to order at 8.10 by welcoming all those present and inviting representatives to sign the attendance book. Copies of the accounts were handed out to each club.

Minutes of 1998 AGM

It was pointed out that Dragons were present at the previous AGM, subject to this change, the minutes were accepted as a true record of that meeting.

Chairman's Report

The Chairman said that the financial situation of the association was good. The Association had a similar number of Clubs to the previous season. All tournaments had been run with reasonable entry levels. He reported that the barn dance attendance had been down on previous years and he asked that clubs improve their attendance next year.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported, that a small deficit for the year had been returned, but that this was no cause for concern. For next year he saw no reason to increase the club subscriptions. The accounts were subsequently adopted.

Results Secretaries' Report

Ladies: The ladies secretary was not present however she had passed some comments to the Chairmain. The main points being that there had been too many games

with only two pairs and too many results cards filled out incorrectly.

Mixed & KO: The secretary reported that she too had had too many incorrectly filled out score cards, but that generally things had gone well this season.

Men's: The secretary reported a trouble free season.

Election of Officers

Janine Chamberlain, The ladies secretary had informed the committee of her intention to resign. No nominations for the post were forthcoming from the floor, so it was left to the committee to try and sollict an appropriate individual prior to the start of the season.

The remainder of the committee was re-elected enbloc.

Amendment to Knockout Competition Rules

A discussion of the rules regarding eligibility of players for the Knockout cup was conducted.

Sue Unwin proposed a change in the wording of the rules. The amendments were backed by Julia Strong (Mandeville) and Carol Dartnell (Chalfont Monday). A vote was taken and the proposed amendments were passed.

The new wording would come into effect next season. The complete set of rules would be circulated at the fixture meeting as usual.

Any Other Business

- Presentation Barn Dance
 It was agreed that the format of "bring your own food and drink" to the barn dance was generally successful and therefore it was decided to stay with this format for the next dance.
- ii. Email

 The Secretary reported that he intended to make use of email as an additional communication tool in the coming season and asked that email addresses be supplied with club contacts. The floor was generally in favour of this approach.

The meeting was closed at 8.50pm