

# Exeter & District Over 60's Triples Bowling League

Minutes of a Management Committee meeting held at Isca Bowling Club on Monday  
3rd October 2018 at 2:30 p.m.

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## **1. Opening by the Chairman**

The President, Ken Bastin, took the chair and opened the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

## **2. Apologies**

Maurice Daniels (Fixture Secretary), David Harris (Axminster), Dave Joslin (Heavitree) and Colin Chudley (Topsham).

## **3. Minutes**

Minutes of the meeting held on the 28th March 2018 having been circulated and accepted as a true record were signed by the Chairman.

## **4. Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

## **5. Reports**

### **5.1 Secretary**

**5.1.1** Tony reported that the only items of interest would be dealt with later within the agenda.

### **5.2 Fixtures Secretary**

**5.2.1** In the absence of Maurice Tony read out his report as follows:

I would first of all like to apologise for not being here in person today. I am currently away on holiday and Tony has very kindly offered to read out this report for me.

I would like to offer my congratulations to all the divisional winners and promoted teams from the season just ended as well as to offer my commiserations to those teams who have been relegated.

From my point of view, I think this season has gone really well. Fortunately the elements have been kind to us and we've had very few matches cancelled due to bad weather. I should like to thank all team captains for getting the results to me on a timely basis each week, which has enabled me to prepare the league tables for Tony to post on Sunday mornings. I also appreciate the contact I've had from you all to keep me informed about any cancelled matches and their replay dates etc.

No doubt there will be a few team changes in the league for the 2019 season which will be agreed at today's meeting and I'm sure that Tony will note these and pass them on to me on my return from holiday. If any club has a request they would like me to consider in drawing up next year's fixture schedule, could I ask that they either let Tony know at the meeting today, or send me an e-mail that I can pick up on my return from holiday. (e-mails can be sent to the normal e-mail address: over.60s@aol.co.uk). I must ask that these be kept to a minimum, please, and I'll do what I can with them, although the fixture schedule is quite complex and it's probably not possible to accommodate them all. All being well, I hope to have the fixture schedule prepared and distributed by the end of October.

Towards the end of the season, I received a lot of thanks and appreciation for the work I've done from many of your team captains and this was something I really appreciated as it makes me feel that I've done a worthwhile job. I must say that I do enjoy being your Fixture Secretary and will be happy to continue in the post for next year if you're happy for me to do so.

Here's to a successful 2019 season for us all!

### **5.3 Treasurers Report**

**5.3.1** John submitted his end of season Accounts Sheet which showed a final Bank balance of £2,690.58.

The expenses were down this year due mainly to the fact that the Pound Robin and presentation day had not taken place he pointed out there are still expenses not yet in.

**5.3.3** He stated once again that captains were not happy with the green coloured score cards used this year. Next year he will go back to white cards.

## **6. Amendment to Rule 8.9**

**6.1** A proposed addition to our Rule 8.9, which currently states players should not move from one team to another during the playing season, was presented by the Marina Bowling Club.

Maurice Daniel had left an alternative proposal with Tony who read it out to the members. It was felt this was too complex and ruled out.

After some further discussion the proposal by Marina was accepted and seconded by Chris Fuller (Uffculme)

Asking for a vote to accept the proposal a count of 20 of the 25 member present carried the proposal.

**6.2** The secretary to make the addition to Rule 8.9 and circulate the new Rules to all clubs.

## **7. Applications to join the League**

- 7.1 The secretary explained that only the day before the meeting he had an official confirmation from Dunkeswell that their club will be closing down in March 2019. This leaves a spare place in Division 4, on top of those missing this year in Divisions 5 and 8 there would be three places to fill next year and he had received six applications to enter new teams for the 2019 season.
- 7.2 Maurice Daniel (*Via the secretary*) made note that he was keen to see that all the applicants could get a game next year. The secretary had asked him if it would be possible to play Divisions 6, 7 and 8 with only 9 teams in each and then form a Division 9 with 6 teams who would play each other three times giving 15 matches overall. Maurice (*Again via the secretary*) stated this would be fine **OR** he could organise it such that we retained the 10 teams in 8 Divisions and the remaining 3 new applicants form Division 9 who would now play each other home and away 3 times. This would take 18 weeks with each team getting 12 matches and sitting out for 6 weeks.
- 7.3 Tony explained, and this was confirmed by Ken, both of whom have been executive members from a time when there were only 5 Divisions, that previously the criterion for starting a new division was a minimum of 6 new teams.
- 7.4 After some discussion the Division 9 with just three teams did not find favour due mostly to the thought that there may be teams drop out during the closed season.
- 7.5 A proposal was put forward by Vaughan Fletcher (Chardstock) that we leave the league as it has always been, that's eight Divisions with ten teams in each and the three remaining teams go onto a waiting list. This was seconded by Mike Borst (Sidmouth) This proposal carried by a large majority, only six members not voting. Tony to inform Maurice, Fixture Secretary, of the result in order to get the 2019 season Fixture List available for publication as soon as possible.
- 7.6 The Priority list for the acceptance of next year's new teams into the league will be posted out to all member clubs and added to the website.
- 7.7 For the record the three Clubs that will add new teams to the league next year are North Tawton, Seaton and Feniton,

## **8. Any other business**

- 8.1 There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 3.25pm.

## **9. Next Meeting**

The Isca Centre on Monday 18th March 2019 starting at 2.30pm  
(Now changed to Thursday 21st March due to Bridge Suite closing.)

Signed: .....Chairman.

Date: .....