



## LEAMINGTON AND DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2010 at Kenilworth Wardens.

Present: Malcolm Macfarlane (in the chair), Tom Brocklehurst (in the chair for item 1), Derek Harwood, Mark Jackson, Doug Lowe, Phil Paine, Ian Stevens, Caroline Williams and Estyn Williams.

Also present: Susie Thompson, Sue Turkman (for items 1 and 2) and Reg Warnes (for items 1 and 2).

Apologies for absence were received from Claire Cram, Richard Grover and Chris Thompson,.

In the absence of the Chairman Tom Brocklehurst (Vice Chairman) took the chair.

### 1. Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting held on 14 January 2010 were approved as a true record and signed by the Vice Chairman who was in the chair.

The Chairman arrived and took the chair.

### 2. Matters arising.

a. Re minute 5b Reg Warnes and Sue Turkman (WCC Doves) addressed the meeting on this issue. After discussion it was agreed that a 5 point penalty should be imposed on Nomads C under rule 10g.

b. re minute 9a – it was reported that the burst pipe at HQ had been fixed.

### 3. Correspondence

Email from Claire Cram (who had apologised for absence) reported that she had booked Old Leamingtonians Rugby Club on Friday 21 May for Presentation Evening. It was agreed to pay a £150 deposit to OLRC. It was also agreed that the General Secretary email Claire inviting her proposals on ticket prices and other arrangements to be reported at the next meeting.

### 4. Rules Sub Committee

The draft rules as proposed by the sub-committee had been posted on the web and comments invited.

a. Jo Outhwaite had emailed her support for the proposals.

b. Allan Stockham suggested that the existing restrictions on using reserves should be replaced by a requirement that the reserve must have a lower ranking than all registered players for that team. After discussion it was agreed not to adopt this suggestion and to ask the General Secretary to email Allan explaining the reasons for this and saying that Allan could if he wished submit a proposal to the AGM to this effect provided it was received by 30 April.

c. The Chairman proposed that a member who provided proof they already had ETTA membership need not pay an ETTA membership fee via the Association. This was agreed.

d. The Chairman also proposed that the senior membership fee be reduced from £3.50 to £3 and the junior fee from £2.50 to £2 as ETTA was now providing insurance from its individual membership fee so the Association's fee no longer needed to cover the cost of this which was previously £150. This was also agreed.

#### 5. League report.

Now that there were no cup competitions league teams were using those weeks to catch up on matches postponed due to the snow in January.

#### 6. Financial report

It was reported that the Association would receive £279 being half the profit from the Warwickshire Closed.

#### 7. Leamington Closed

This would now be held on 17/18 April with finals night on 24 April. If any finalists also qualified for the national schools finals then those Leamington finals would be held on a different date. A free buffet would be provided by Kenilworth Wardens on finals night paid for by the Association.

#### 8. Representative report

It was reported that in the Midland League the men's and junior teams were undefeated so far. The vets had won 3 out of 7.

#### 9. Press report

Susie Thompson expressed disappointment that there had been no press report on the Heart of England Cadet League. It was pointed out that (as stated in the handbook) reports and details of events other than the league itself needed to be sent to the Press Officer and no one had supplied a report on the Heart of England.

#### 10. HQ report

Alf Chapman was to carry out repairs on the roof and frontage.

#### 11. AOB

Doug Lowe asked about the position was on non committee members attending. The General Secretary explained that only those elected to the Committee could attend by right but the Committee could allow others to attend though not vote if it wished. Different opinions were expressed as to the circumstances in which this should be permitted in future but no firm decision was reached.

#### 12. Future meetings

The following provisional dates for future meetings in 2010 were agreed - 8 April (tournament meeting), 6 May, 17 June (AGM), 5 August, 16 September (after Club Secretaries meeting) and 11 November - all Thursdays at Kenilworth Wardens.