



## LEAMINGTON AND DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee held on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2010 at Kenilworth Wardens.

Present: Malcolm Macfarlane (in the chair), Tom Brocklehurst, Derek Harwood, Caroline Williams and Estyn Williams.

Apologies for absence were received from Claire Cram, Richard Grover, Doug Lowe, Mark Jackson, Phil Paine, Ian Stevens and Chris Thompson,.

### 1. Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting held on 12 November 2009 were approved as a true record and signed by the chairman subject to amending minute 11(b) to replace 'discount' by 'contribution in kind'.

### 2. Matters arising.

- a. Re minute 2a - Derek Harwood had not yet been made an authorised signatory to the bank account.
- b. Re minute 9 – Claire Cram reported that she had not yet booked a venue for Presentation Evening. It was agreed to ask Claire to try and have a venue booked by the end of January.

### 3. Correspondence

- a. Routine correspondence from ETTA – noted.
- b. From Warwick DC – details of a coach bursary scheme. A 10 hour commitment was required.
- c. Newsletter from WMRC – agreed that if an electronic copy was available it could be placed on the website.

### 4. Rules Sub Committee

The suggested amendments to the rules were discussed. It was agreed that the draft new rules should be posted on the website and members comments invited before the Executive Committee agreed the final version to go before the AGM.

### 5. League report.

- a. The new 2 aside divisions had been set up and notified to all teams.
- b. A complaint had been received from WCC Doves concerning the attendance of Nomads C. After discussion it was agreed not to impose a 5 point penalty.

6. Competitions – Richard Grover reported that due to lack of entries it was not possible to hold the cup competitions this year. It was agreed to use the cup weeks to catch up on matches unplayed because of the recent snow. It was also agreed to use the web site to invite members views on the lack of entries and whether they wanted cup competitions in future seasons. The issue would also be covered in the Annual Report and members invited to express their views at the AGM.

7. Financial report – Payments had been made in respect of ETTA affiliation fees; £36 had been paid for Wilmot Cup entry and the £225 HQ electricity bill had been paid.

8. Tournament report – the dates for the Leamington Closed had had to be changed again due to clashes with other events. The Sydenham weekend would now be 17/18 April with finals night on 24 April. The difficulties in finding suitable, non clashing dates for the Leamington Closed would also be covered in the Annual Report. It would be explained that future tournaments were likely to have to be held in April and members comments invited at the AGM.

9. HQ report

- a. It was reported that there is a burst pipe at HQ so no water at present. Alf Chapman will mend this when the freeze is over.
- b. It was also agreed to repair the roof at a likely cost of £300 - £500.
- c. Allocation of the two rooms at HQ was discussed. It was agreed that there were no formal rules at present the choice between the two rooms was on a first come first served basis. It was suggested that the next edition of the handbook should cover this issue.

10. AOB – It was reported that Free Church hoped that the new Free Church Youth Centre would be suitable for 4 match or 6 practice tables.

11. Provisional dates for future meetings (all Thursdays at Kenilworth Wardens): - 8 April (tournament meeting), 6 May, 17 June (AGM), 5 August, 16 September (after club secretaries meeting) and 11 November.