

UP FOR **DISCUSSION**



Committee Meeting 4th Oct 2016

Attendees (committee): Tony Britten, Simon Coleman, Stephen Coleman, Jim Thomson, Ray Crawford, Keith Thomson, Mary Leeming, Gary Tipping, Lorin Clough, Jason Dunkley, Stevie Anscombe

Apologies received from: Sue Thomson, Michelle Coleman, Alan Taylor

Meeting opened at: 20:39

Chairperson's opening statement:

Thanks to all for attending and your continued support of our league. We have enjoyed a very consistent couple of years for committee attendances and this is reflected in the relative stability of the league.

Treasurer: Jim reported on behalf of Sue.

Balance at Bank: £1015.33 (£650 to come out for C Brewer for table procurement)

Subs received from: Cock C, Cock A, Cardigan, Cobblers.

Please can other teams pay subs as soon as possible.

County Reports

County Champs – Div1. 18th Sept.

The team was: Stephen Coleman (Capt), Simon Coleman, Lorin Clough, Ian Street, Jason Dunkley, Jase Neal, Damian Coates.

It was always going to be a tough day and the results were as follows:

Vs Kent – Northants lost 6-1

Vs Oxford – Northants lost 5-2

Vs Surrey – Northants won 5-2

Vs Sussex – Northants lost 4-3

Vs Berks – Northants won 5-2

Overall the team finished 4th and retained place in Division 1 for next year which is a tremendous achievement.

Inter Area - Supplementary Cup – 'B' team. Home leg vs Witney 'A' lost 3-2. Return leg TBA.

'C' team shield – 16th Oct vs Witney 'C' at Cock.

Social Secretary: Simon reported on behalf of Michelle

Quiz Night is now arranged for 18th November at Moulton WMC. Please submit your teams as soon as possible.

Competition Secretary:

Competition Draws were conducted as follows:

Nene Cup – 14th Nov

C&A Cobblers vs Red Lion
Saints vs Cock C

Premiership Semi-Final – 30th Jan

Storm vs Rushden Cons
Cock A vs Cardigan

Team KO Prelim - 17th Oct

Saints vs Storm
Cock C vs Cobblers

Pairs – 1st Dec

M Haynes & Ted D vs Alan T & David Wilton

2nd Div Indiv KO – 17th Nov

M Haynes vs Shaun Thomson

Indiv KO – 5th Jan

Jason N vs Ted D
Stevie A vs Phil Y
Ray C vs Jon Coe
Sean G vs Jim T
Jason D vs Mick H
Dave S vs Dave E
Rob S vs Mary L
Stephen C vs Kevin A
John Tyson vs Chas Peel
Simon C vs Shaun T
Keith T vs Gary T
Andy C vs BYE
Tony B vs Mark D
Lorin C vs Stew G
Leigh H vs Damo
Alan T vs Sophie S

Blind Pairs – 15th Dec

Martin A & Sean G vs Jason D & Norm Reynolds
Jim T & Shaun T vs Simon C & Phil Y
Leigh H & Alan T vs Mick H & Ted D
Stevie A & Keith T vs Dave E & Gary T
Lorin & Ray C vs Tony B & David W
Stephen C vs Dunc H vs BYE
John T & Mark D vs Rob S & Lenny B
Dave S & Andy J vs Mary & Sophie

Secretary:

Lorin provided an update on the withdrawal of The Lilacs team and how this will be treated in terms of fixtures and the league calendar.

It is disappointing that the team from The Lilacs opted not to continue particularly given that enough playing members (although difficult) were eventually found in addition to the commitment by the committee to support their endeavours however we could. Nevertheless, the team decided not to pursue competitive play for this year.

As such, the table will be removed from The Lilacs and a new venue will be sought that can work with the committee to enter a team of players. Of course, this will not be until the 2017 Summer season at the earliest.

It is of course disappointing that this is where we are however I remain convinced that the strategy of table ownership by the league and seeking new venues is the right one – this happens to be a bump in the road of that journey and nothing more.

The fixture list will now include a further BYE and the calendar will remain unchanged.

It would be inappropriate at this stage to place a team currently in Division 2 into the top tier simply in order to level the numbers and therefore we shall proceed with a top division of 4 teams and a second division of 6 teams for the remainder of this season.

Any Other Business:

Please remember to record all potential and worthy Highest Away Scores and Breaks

Meeting closed at: 21:40

