

Berkeley & District Skittles League Presentation Evening and AGM

Wednesday 14th June 2017

The evening started at 7.30pm with Chairman Pat Day welcoming everyone and hoped everyone had seen the array of trophies that are given away each year.

Lloyd Pennington compered the Presentation part of the evening with Owen Simpson handing out the trophies to all league, cup competitions, individual and pair competitions winners and runner-ups.

This was followed by the charity donation by Owen Simpson to Mr Pritchard of SARA with a cheque for £500. Mr Pritchard spoke on behalf of SARA, thanked everyone and spoke a little about the work they do. He said "the donation will keep SARA going".

1. The AGM started at 8pm with Pat welcoming everyone and mentioned that several teams had not arrived or had not signed in.
2. He stated that the Presentation part of the evening went well and praised the result secretaries for their hard work over the past year and that he still was not able to get the Gazette to publish the full league results every week.
Captains once again PLEASE talk to each other – this is supposed to be a friendly game and league.
3. There were no apologies as ALL teams should be present
4. Minutes from the last meeting were read by Steve Tilley

5. SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Nothing to report

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

- We will be losing a Division for the coming year which will reduce the leagues income – we will be revising the registration fee for the 2018/19 season
- Following the cancellation of the BDSL Charity Skittles Bash we were threatened with being take to the small claims court for the full amount. Following negotiations we agreed to pay half the fee of £600 for the cancellation. The cancellation of the comedian "Buster" cost us nothing

7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- Games must start by 8.30pm
- The landlord of the Swan at Wotton requested that matches to start at 7pm as late finishes disturbed the people staying overnight

8. RESULT SECRETARIES' REPORTS

- Lloyd Pennington (Premier and Cups)
teams who have elected to play in the All-in Cup will be put into a straight forward knockout
- Keith Driver (Div. 1 2 3)
many of his score sheets had been incorrectly added up and to please check that players are all signed on
- Steve Tilley (Div. 4 5 6)
said he was sad to be losing Division 6
said "Sharpness Playmates joined the league 10 years ago and were at first terrible but as you can see they have now won the Division 6 trophy"
said "to make sure all players are signed on and tell the opposition that night if you have signed on any new players. Once the season has started registered players may not get updated on the website"

- **Registering New Players**

If a captain is unable to get hold of the relevant secretary, please ring Gilly and leave a message or send an email so we have a timestamped record of when a new player is registered

9. COMPETITION ORGANISERS

- Ladies Singles – Gilly Stook (with Nadine Hewer to take over from 2018)
- Open Singles – Gareth Langdon
- Open Pairs – Gilly Stook (for just one more year)
- Mixed Pairs – Kath Clements
- Under-23s Singles – Steve Tilley
but he must have at least 10 players to make it a worthwhile competition – the few under-23's that have entered the competition over the last 2 years are of a very high standard - PLEASE encourage younger players to enter

10. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

- President – Owen Simpson
- Chairman – Pat Day
- Secretary – Gilly Stook
- Treasurer – Gareth Langdon
- Fixtures – Keith Driver
- Premier Division, Front Pin &, All in Cup – Lloyd Pennington
- Divisions 1, 2 – Keith Driver (**note ONLY Divisions 1 and 2**)
- Divisions 3, 4, 5 – Steve Tilley (**note Divisions 3 4 and 5**)

Elected *en bloc* – proposed: Chris Day; seconded: Ellen Sealey

11. ELECTION OF APPEALS COMMITTEE

- Chairman – Pat Day
- Committee – Eric Wilkins, Gareth Langdon, Bob Jones, Geoff Everett, Dave Smith

Elected *en bloc* – proposed: Steve Ballard; seconded: Ellen Sealey

12. CHARITY COLLECTION SCHEME

This year's collection was for SARA who were presented with a cheque of £500 which was still a poor donation from the league.

Next year the collection will go to Breakheart Community Project.

13. NEW TEAMS

- Cheers 4 Beers playing at *Slimbridge RBL* – unanimously agreed that the new team join the League.

14. TEAMS LEAVING

- Coaley Moles
- Barclays league
- Tactical Twits
- BA Rangers

15. A.O.B.

- **Re-organising of league and withdrawal of Division 6**

The league has the capacity of having 112 teams but Divisions 5 and 6 had three byes so it was proposed:

- to take out Division 6 and ideally take out all the byes
- drop the bottom team of each division as normal.
- starting from the Premier, fill up each division with teams from the division below
- promote Division 6 winners and runners-up directly to Division 4

unanimously agreed

Steve Ballard thanked Keith for sorting out the complicated fixture.

- **Presentation Night and AGM**

This was the first year of putting them both together and it seemed to go very well.

Everyone was asked to vote on either:

1. Presentation Night with Disco and a separate AGM
2. Presentations and AGM together in 2018 at the Dockers Club.

majority was in favour of having Presentations and AGM together

Meeting ended at 8.46pm with team registration.