

FENLAND LEAGUE

MINUTES OF FENLAND LEAGUE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD AT THE HUDSON SPORTS CENTRE, WISBECH ON MONDAY 5th OCTOBER 2009 AT 8.00pm.

PRESENT:

Guy Dix (Boston); Mark Nunn & S Morris (Bottisham); Harriet Nooteboom (Chatteris); Richard Holt (City of Cambridge); Pauline Paines (City of Ely); David Standish-Leigh (City of Peterborough); Chris Shaw (Deepings); John Lifshack (March); Jane Robinson (Mildenhall); Michael Cox (West Norfolk); Roger Adams (Chairman); Glynis Ward (Adjudicator); David Robinson (Secretary & The Saxons).

APOLOGIES:

Huntingdon.

MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM:

It was proposed by Guy Dix and seconded by Mark Nunn that the minutes of the previous AGM were correct and the Chairman then signed them.

MATTERS ARISING:

There were no matters arising.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence from Saffron Walden asking to go on the waiting list for Junior Fenland League has been received.

Correspondence from Peterborough asking to enter a 'B' team in Junior Fenland League has been received.

Correspondence from Chatteris withdrawing from Junior Fenland League has been received. They would be remaining in Senior Fenland League.

The secretary would contact South Lincs, who had been on the waiting list for several years, to see if they wished to take up the position vacated by Chatteris, if not Saffron Walden and Peterborough respectively would be offered the position

TREASURERS REPORT:

The full report attached to these minutes.

It was proposed by John Lifshack and seconded by Harriet Nooteboom that the treasurer's report should be accepted.

The treasurer proposed, that despite there being a loss again this year, the affiliation fees for 2010 should remain at £25.00 for Junior League and £10.00 for Senior League. This proposal was carried unanimously.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Attached to these minutes.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Chairman: Roger Adams, proposed Guy Dix, seconded Richard Holt, all in favour.

Secretary/Treasurer: David Robinson, proposed Glynis Ward, seconded Guy Dix, all in favour.

Adjudicator: Glynis Ward, proposed Richard Holt, seconded Pauline Paines, all in favour.

CHANGE OF RULES:

No proposals for change of the rules have been received.

The secretary said that next year he would be proposing the date of the AGM be changed from “*this to take place each year normally in October/November*” to “*this to take place each year normally in September/October*”. This would allow the AGM to be set earlier and give more time for the Junior League finals to be sorted as they were now being swum earlier in October.

He would also be looking at a fairer way of scoring the first round of the Senior League by treating both first round galas as one and scoring the teams on times from both galas. Therefore if eleven teams were competing the fastest swimmer from the two galas would get eleven points, the next fastest ten points and so on.

DATE OF NEXT AGM:

September/October 2010, actual date to be fixed at the March committee meeting.

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT - 2009

Another year has passed and this Annual General Meeting signals the end of my 6th year as Chairman on the Fenland League. From my point of view the past 12 months have been relatively uneventful as almost all the work involved in running the League has, once again, been admirably performed by the League Secretary, David Robinson and the League Adjudicator, Glynis Ward. I extend to them my sincere thanks and those of the Clubs for the efficient and effective way they have carried out their roles. Volunteers are, as we all know, difficult to come by and without individuals such as David and Glynis it would be extremely difficult for organisations such as the Fenland League to operate in the very competent manner that it currently does.

There have, it seems, always been problems with the Junior Fenland League in respect of Clubs 'breaking the rules' in respect of unregistered swimmers, overage swimmers and swimmers competing in events in which they had previously broken the cut-off times. The past year has not been an exception but I detect an improvement in the situation and I hope that Clubs will continue in that vein in the hope that the adjudicator is not called upon to change results achieved 'on the night'

The Senior League Competition was completed on 19th September 2009 and congratulate the City of Peterborough SC and Wisbech SC who won the 'A' and 'B' Finals respectively.

Congratulations also go to City of Peterborough SC, Grantham SC and Huntingdon SC who won the 'A', 'B' and 'C' Finals of the Junior Fenland League Competition (2008) and to the City of Peterborough SC who were the league winners. The final of the Junior League Competition (2008) takes place on Saturday 17th October 2009 and I wish all teams taking part the very best of luck. All Clubs competing should make extra efforts to ensure that all their swimmers are 'legally able to compete' in the finals as the last thing we want is for results to be amended after trophies have been presented.

Some of you will know that I retired from my post as Club Administrator with the City of Peterborough SC at the end of June this year (2009) but will be remaining a member of that Club and assisting them in a voluntary capacity but not representing them at meetings such as this. With that very much in kind I would be happy to continue as Chairman of the Fenland League if that is the wish of the Clubs but in no way would I be offended if this meeting decided otherwise given the change in circumstances.

Roger Adams
Chairman

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2009

INCOME

AFFILIATION FEES FOR 2009:
JUNIOR LEAGUE
15 x 25.00 375.00
SENIOR LEAGUE
10 x 10.00 100.00

FINES 80.00

555.00

BALANCE B/F 2007/2008 897.48

INCOME 2008/2009 555.00

1452.48

EXPENDITURE

ASA EAST REGION AFFILIATION 35.00

FINALIST'S TROPHIES
JUNIOR LEAGUE 2008 150.00

WEBSITE 68.86

HANDBOOKS 20.00

HIRE OF ROOM FOR MEETINGS 90.00

REIMBURSEMENTS TO HOST
CLUBS (CLUBS NOT COMPETING) 80.00

SECRETARY' EXPENSES 80.00

ADJUDICATORS EXPENSES 100.00

623.86

EXPENDITURE 2008/2009 623.86

BALANCE C/F 2009/2010 828.62

1452.48
