

FENLAND LEAGUE

MINUTES OF FENLAND LEAGUE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD
AT THE HUDSON SPORTS CENTRE, WISBECH ON MONDAY 23rd
SEPTEMBER 2013 AT 8.00pm.

PRESENT:

Nigel Seamarks (Bottisham); Simon Yeates & Pauline Paines (City of Ely); David Standish-Leigh (City of Peterborough); Chris Shaw & Darren Smith (Deepings); John Burling (First Strokes); Jamie Richardson (March); Jane Robinson (Mildenhall); Clare Jeffery & Ryan Sykes (West Norfolk); Greg Marsters (Wisbech); Roger Adams (Chairman); David Robinson (Secretary).

APOLOGIES:

Nikki Harper (Chatteris); Peter Leslie (Huntingdon); Dawn Winterburn (St Neots); Simon Free (Thetford).

MINUTES OF THE LAST AGM:

It was agreed the minutes of the last AGM were a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING:

There were no matters arising

CORRESPONDENCE:

City of Norwich had again written about joining the Fenland League, either Junior or Senior, but had not followed this up.

Query was received from Biggleswade about joining the League, not clear whether they meant the Junior or Senior. The secretary sent details about both.

West Norfolk had contacted the secretary about entering a second team in the Junior League if a vacancy was to occur.

TREASURERS REPORT:

The treasurer presented the report which was accepted by the meeting. A full report attached to these minutes. There had been a small surplus over the year mainly due to only one room hire bill for meetings and the trophies for the Junior League finals were less expensive.

The treasurer proposed that the affiliation fees for 2014 should remain £28.00 for Junior League and £12.00 for Senior League. This proposal was carried unanimously.

CHAIRMANS REPORT:

The chairman presented his report. In the report he stated that if elected then 2014 would be his last having already served 10 years in the role. He thanked David Robinson for the way he administered and adjudicated both leagues with enthusiasm and ensuring they ran smoothly and reminded the delegates that sooner or later a successor would need to be found. He congratulated clubs that had won the various trophies over the last twelve months.

The full report attached to these minutes.

CHANGE OF RULES:

There had been no rule change proposals received. The secretary suggested it be looked at that a round be dropped so all clubs host one round to include the finals, this could prove difficult to administer.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Chairman: Roger Adams, proposed David Standish-Leigh, seconded Nigel Seemarks, all in favour.

Secretary/Treasurer: David Robinson, proposed John Burling, seconded Simon Yeates, all in favour.

Adjudicator: Pauline Paines, proposed David Robinson, seconded Greg Marsters, all in favour.

DATE OF NEXT AGM:

September/October 2014, actual date to be fixed at the March 2014 committee meeting.

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT – 2013

Here we are at the end of another year – my 10th as Chairman of the League. I am prepared to continue in that capacity for another year, if that is your wish but, come the next AGM, I shall 'take my leave'. The Chairman's position is not particularly onerous thanks exclusively to 'Mr Fenland League' – David Robinson – who performs the roles of Secretary, Treasurer and Adjudicator with the utmost professionalism which results in the Senior and Junior Sections of the League operating in a thoroughly efficient manner. I thank him for this on behalf of myself and the participating clubs and for his continued dedication thus ensuring the League as a whole runs extremely smoothly. 'Thank You' doesn't sound much of a reward for someone as committed as David is but unfortunately I am unable to think of anything more appropriate given my basic command of the English language.

As I have indicated, this forthcoming year will be my last – if elected – but club delegates should bear in mind that David will not continue in his role(s) forever. It will need one or more individuals to come forward in due course to take on the various posts otherwise the League cannot function. David has been actively involved in running the Fenland League for close on 20 years and assistance would, I know, be very welcome. Perhaps the role of Junior Fenland League Adjudicator would be a starting place?

Briefly reviewing the swimming activities over the past year, I congratulate the swimmers and staff of Dereham and Diss Swimming Clubs who won the 'A' Final (Dereham) and 'B' Final (Diss) of the Senior Fenland League on Saturday 21st September 2013. I also congratulate City of Peterborough 'A', City of Peterborough 'B' and March who won the 'A', 'B' and 'C' Finals of the Junior Fenland League in 2012 and further congratulate City of Peterborough 'A' who won the league title. The final of this year competition takes place on Saturday 19th October 2013 and, as in previous years, I ask participating Clubs to take the utmost care when selecting their teams to ensure that all swimmers are 'legal' to compete in the events they take part in as there is nothing worse than trophies having to be exchanged after the competition has taken place.

Roger Adams
Chairman

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2013

INCOME

EXPENDITURE

AFFILIATION FEES FOR
2013:

JUNIOR LEAGUE

15 x 28.00

SENIOR LEAGUE

11 x 12.00

420.00

132.00

552.00

ASA EAST REGION
AFFILIATION

35.00

FINALIST'S TROPHIES
JUNIOR LEAGUE 2013

100.47

WEBSITE

71.86

HANDBOOKS

40.00

SECRETARY EXPENSES

80.00

HIRE OF ROOM FOR
MEETINGS

33.00

360.33

BALANCE B/F 2011/2012

682.25

INCOME 2012/2013

552.00

1234.25

EXPENDITURE 2012/2013

360.33

BALANCE C/F 2013/2014

873.92

1234.25