



# Wellington Ex-Services Skittles League

## Minutes of the Captains Meeting

Held at the Football Club on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2016 7.30 pm

### 1. Roll call

- Mr. K. Bird (Chairman).
- Mr. K. Allen (Secretary/Treasurer).
- Mr. J. Nicol (Assistant Treasurer and Division B Representative).
- Mr. D. Bright (Assistant Secretary and Website Manager).
- Mr. D. Sparks (Division A Representative).
- Mr. C. Bullock (Entertainments Officer).

The following teams were not represented Angels, Foresters and Relyon. The honorary Secretary was too issue them each with a £5.00 fine for non attendance.

### 2. Apologies

None received.

### 3. Minutes of last meeting

These were accepted as a true record.

### 4. Matters Arising

The Chairman reported on the season so far and the effect that the closure of the Kings Arms and the Green Dragon had had on the league. It was with regret that Royals had decided to resign from the league as they were unable to raise a side for games that had to be rearranged due to the closure of the Kings Arms. The Chairman also went on to thank the Secretary for his hard work in rescheduling games and thanked teams for being cooperative in playing these games.

The Secretary congratulated Mowers and Cottage Pies on reaching the final of the Payne Cup, the fixture was scheduled for 17<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at the Football Club stating at 8.00 pm, there was to be toss of a coin to decide who skittles first There was to be food provided by the league and the Secretary urged members to come along and support the final.

### 5. Treasurer's Report

The treasure reported that the leagues finances were in a healthy state, at this stage of the season. A brief outline of the balance sheet was presented to meeting and accepted.

#### Season 2015-2016 Income to date

Balance carried forward from 2014-2015 season	£1873.60
Match fees (estimated)	£2260.00
A. G. M. raffle	£57.00
Fines A. G. M./Back matches	£22.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£4212.60</b>

#### Season 2015-2016 Expenditure to date

Carly Press (fixture books)	£405.00
Honorariums	£240.00
Charity in memory donations	£25.00
Charity (if agreed)	£800.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1470.00</b>

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## **6. Charities**

It was reaffirmed that this year's donation to go to Dunkery Ward at Musgrove Park Hospital in memory of our late Secretary/Treasurer of over 40 years Jim Blackmore. We would donate £800.00 with 20% gift aid.

## **7. Kings Arms - Queens Legs/Royals/Points Expunged (proposed new rule)**

The Executive Committee informed the meeting that they were to propose a rule that would effectively wipe out any playing record of a team that resigned prior to the completion of their playing season this had happened this year in the case of Royals' resignation but it was felt that a rule should be put into place.

## **8. Splitting Division A Into 2 Leagues**

This was proposed at an earlier meeting by Peter Smith of Angels, as Angels were not in attendance the meeting could not hear their reason for wanting a change. The idea was discussed but the consensus from the meeting was that this was not an idea that they in favour of. It was proposed by Nelson Kerlake of Hot Shots that this proposal not be carried forward to the A. G. M. The Chairman did say that it was well within Angels rights to propose this amendment at the A. G. M.

## **9. Division B Season Start/Finish**

The Secretary informed the meeting that he had received some communication from a Division B team member complaining about the "stop/start" beginning to the season. The Secretary explained to the meeting that this is what the A. G. M. had agreed to so that the Division B season would finish closer to the end of the Division A season. A brief discussion followed and the majority of captains were in favour of how the fixtures were drawn up and decided to not ask for this to be changed.

## **10. Rule 3 Back Match Fines**

The matter of the postponed match Club Rockers v Relyon (postponed by Relyon) was discussed. It was explained to the meeting that this game had been called off and there had been some difficulty in rearranging it, meaning that under rule 3 Relyon had incurred a heavy fine. A discussion followed with some suggestions being made such as a cap on the fine (suggested by Dean Bennett of Holywell Lake) and forfeiture of the points (suggested by Graham Woodward of Scuppas), the Chairman said that he wanted the meeting to go away a think of an alternative rule/method to ensure postponed games are played in good time, and to feed back any ideas to the Secretary.

## **11. Draft Constitution**

It was explained to the meeting that the recent resignation of Royals had shown the league had nothing in place to adequately deal with such matters. The Executive Committee also realized that the league really did not have a constitution on how to govern the way it is run. A draft constitution was drawn up and circulated to the meeting. The meeting was asked to discuss this with their teams and feedback any comments, ideas and amendments to the Secretary prior to the next committee meeting in May.

## **12. Any Other Business (by permission of the Chairman)**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10 pm.

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