

Thatcham & District Crib League
AGM
22nd August 2017
At Shaw Social Club, Newbury

Present:	Mark Caplin, Alison Chetwynd, Colin Currill, Dave Goddard, Pam Haines, Nina Hopkinson, Terry Hopkinson, Tony Hutchings, Dave Louis, Michael Moutrie, Mark Paulin, Roy Paulin, Linda Pye, James Smyth, Dave Smyth, Mary Taylor, Andy Tillen, Stuart Warren, Clive Whittam
Apologies:	Angeline Davies

Action

1. Minutes of previous AGM

The Minutes of the previous AGM held on 23rd August 2016 were agreed as a true and correct record.

2. Chair's Report

Nina Hopkinson stated that it had been a reasonable year and that all fixtures had taken place as scheduled.

Nina confirmed that the league was relatively small and it would be nice to see some more teams taking part. It was noted that Thatcham Bowls Club was now putting in a second team and therefore this year there would be no 'byes' with eight teams in the league.

3. Treasurer's Report

Pam Haines circulated the Treasurer's report for 2016/17. The balance in the bank at season end was £1,540.49 which was roughly the same as the previous year. It was noted that the majority of income was raised through crib drives/raffle and turnout at these events was not always as good as it could be.

Nina Hopkinson noted that trophies bought at the season end was the main item of expenditure and it might be worthwhile trying to find something cheaper for the next season.

4. Election of Officers

The following Officers had indicated that they were willing to re-stand unless anyone else would like to volunteer to take on a role:

Officer	Nominee	Proposed	Seconded
Chairman:	Nina Hopkinson	Stuart Warren	Roy Paulin
Secretary:	Linda Pye	Stuart Warren	Roy Paulin

Fixture Secretary:	Linda Pye	Stuart Warren	Roy Paulin
Treasurer:	Pam Haines	Stuart Warren	Roy Paulin

5. Fees for 2017/18 Season

It was noted that the fees for the previous season had been £60 per team and it was queried whether the AGM wished to reduce those fees for the 2017/18 season or to keep them at the same level of £60.

Dave Goddard stated that he had still not been reconciled for the trophies he had bought about five or six years ago. Nina Hopkinson advised that this had been dealt with in the previous season. Dave Goddard had been given both a verbal and written deadline to produce the receipts which he had failed to do and therefore the matter had been closed by the Committee. Dave Goddard stated that at a previous meeting he had been told that he had to provide original receipts and that copies would not be acceptable. He had not been in a position to produce the originals at that time but was now able to do so. Nina Hopkinson responded that she had asked for evidence of expenditure and not necessarily original receipts and she had received nothing in writing explaining why he was unable to provide the receipts as requested. Pam Haines also advised that she had not insisted on original receipts.

Members of the Committee queried why the league was again discussing this item as it had been closed off in the previous season. Dave Goddard stated that if he did not receive recompense he would pursue through the Small Claims Court.

It was agreed that this issue would be discussed separately outside the meeting if necessary.

It was agreed that a sum of £60 would be payable for registration fees in 2017/18.

6. Any Other Business

Andy Tillen stated that food tended to be served at various times during a league match which often disrupted the game and he asked if it could be agreed that food would not be served until the match had finished. However, it was noted that if hot food was provided then this needed to be prepared when kitchen staff were still on duty which often dictated the time that food was presented. Nina Hopkinson said that it was up to the individual venues to decide when the food was served but they should be encouraged to provide it as late as possible. Colin Currill did not think that this was an issue.

(The meeting concluded at 8.06pm)