

# Weston & District Men's Skittle League

Minutes of the Annual General meeting 14<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Weston-super-Mare Conservative Club

## Attendance

League Officers	Committee	Teams		
Hugh Edwards	Ed Flint	Admirals (1)	Langford Rovers (2)	Strays (1)
Cyril King	Steve John	Anchors (1)	Nomads (1)	Survivors (1)
Bryon Boulter	Tony Hoskins	Bittermen (1)	Peckers (2)	Unionist A (2)
John O'Donoghue	Alan Russ	Bittermen (1)	Prince of Wales (1)	Uphill Steamers (2)
Dave Spearing		Dab Hands (1)	Rascals (1)	W.Anchors Away (1)
Anthony Lightfoot		Ginger Mingers (1)	Regency Alleyblasters (1)	Weston Legionaires (1)
Phil Dean		Half a Bag (2)	Social Club B (1)	White Hart Humbles (1)
Rich Salvage		Klinkerbelles (2)	Stragglers (1)	Worle Club (2)
Teams not in Attendance		Beer Masters, Bleadon Racers, Coach House A, Coach House B, Crown, Crusaders, Earlybirds, Flintstones, Lord Nelson A, Shepherds, Survivors, White Hart Harriers		

1 - 20:00 – Meeting opened by the Chairman – *J. O'Donoghue*

2 – Minutes silence in respect of all those lost in the last year

3 – Roll call of Teams in attendance taken by the Business Secretary – *A. Lightfoot*

4 – Minutes of 2022 AGM presented, approved and signed off by the chairman – *A. Lightfoot*

5 – Address from the president – *H. Edwards*

6 – Presentation of accounts by the treasurer – *D. Spearing*

7 – League Officer reports – *P. Dean, R. Salvage, A. Lightfoot*

8 – Honoraria

It was proposed by J. O'Donoghue that the honoraria be increased from £715 to £870 for the fixtures secretary, treasurer, website and results secretary. **CARRIED**

(The business secretary declined the increase and will remain at £715)

9 – Consideration of Proposals (See below for a full list, and if they were Carried or Rejected)

10 – Election of League Officers – All agreed to stand again **CARRIED** – *H. Edwards*

11 – Election of General Committee - *J. O'Donoghue*

- Tony Hoskins + George Davis Stepped down and were thanked for their time and efforts

- Aaron Bray + Russell Loud were proposed and voted in

- Remaining committee members agreed to stand again and were voted in block. **CARRIED**

12 – Life Members – Bryon Boulter stepped down as Vice President and was proposed as an additional life member - *H. Edwards*

**CARRIED**

13 – 22:40 Meeting Closed by the Chairman – *J. O'Donoghue*

## **PROPOSALS AND OUTCOMES**

**A)** Code of Conduct – To include social media.

- “The Code covers and seeks to avoid the following, both in person and on Social Media”

**CARRIED**

**B)** Proposal to change **Rule 1** from

“The League shall be called “The Weston-super-Mare and District Men’s Skittle League” and shall have its headquarters at the Conservative Club, Alexandra Parade, Weston-super-Mare.”

To

“The League shall be called “The Weston-super-Mare and District Men’s Skittle League” and shall have its headquarters at the 49 Social Club, Baker Street, Weston-super-Mare”

**REJECTED**

**C)** Proposal to Change **Rule 8** from

“The Annual General Meeting shall elect an Executive Committee with a minimum of 8 members and a maximum of 10 members. The President, Vice Presidents, Chairman and Vice Chairman shall be ex-officio members of this Committee.”

To

“The Annual General Meeting shall elect an Executive Committee with a minimum of 6 members and a maximum of 10 members. The President, Vice Presidents, Chairman and Vice Chairman shall be ex-officio members of this Committee.”

**CARRIED**

**D)** Proposal to change **Rule 5** from

“Every team elected to the League shall consist of men only (i.e. aged 16 or over, subject to admission being granted by the away venue) and shall pay the agreed team Registration Fee”

To

“Every team elected to the League shall consist of men only aged 14 or over (subject to admission being granted by the away venue) and shall pay the agreed team Registration Fee.”

**CARRIED**

**E)** Proposal to change **rule 10** from

“Applications to join the League must be received, in writing by the Fixtures Secretary not less than seven days before the Annual General Meeting. A representative of each team applying to join should attend the Annual General Meeting.”

To

“Applications to join the league or register an existing team for the upcoming season must be received, in writing (email) by the Fixtures Secretary no less than seven days before the Annual General Meeting. A representative of each team should attend the Annual General Meeting.”

**CARRIED**

**F) Proposal to change rule 12 from**

“Any subsequent players must be registered with the Website Manager before or within 24 hours of taking part in a match. In addition, any player who plays before registering must be indicated on the scorecard.”

To

“Any subsequent players must be registered with the Results & Website Secretary in writing before or within 24 hours of taking part in a match. Note that marking the scorebook with an Asterix is acceptable”.

**CARRIED**

**G) Proposal to change rule 20 from**

“All scores must be completed on either the board, book or scorecard, signed by both Captains & a copy sent to the Website Manager. This must be with the Website Manager by the following Friday. Failure to do so will result in a fine.”

To

“All scores must be completed in the score book and signed by both captains and a copy sent to the Result & Website Secretary within 48 hours of the game commencing” (Example - Wednesday 8pm, Thursday 8pm for a cup match)

**CARRIED**

**H) Proposal to change Rule 35 from**

“In the event of a tie teams shall play a further set of three players, each of whom must have played earlier in the match to determine the result. If the further set is tied that set shall continue to play hands until a lead is established”

To

“In the event of a tie teams shall play a further hand of three players, each of whom must have played earlier in the match to determine the result. If the further hand is tied that hand shall continue to play hands until a lead is established”

**CARRIED**

**I) Proposal to Change Rule 55 from**

“In the event of a tie in any round of the individual and Malcom day competitions, except the final each player shall play single hands of three balls until a lead is established. In the Final a tie will necessitate a further full game of six hands. In the event of this play-off being tied further hands will be played until a lead is established.”

To

“In the event of a tie each player shall play single hands of three balls until a lead is established.”

**CARRIED**

**J) Proposal to Change Rule 61 from**

“In the event of a tie in any round except the final, a further 3 balls shall be bowled by each player and so on until a lead has been established by one of the pairs. In the final a tie will necessitate a further full game of six hands each. In the event of this play-off being tied further hands will be played until a lead is established by one of the pairs.”

To

“In the event of a tie a further 3 balls shall be bowled by each player and so on until a lead has been established by one of the pairs.”

**CARRIED**

**K) Proposal to add a new rule (Competition rules)**

If a team wins a league match by 50 or more pins, they shall receive a bonus point in the league standings.

**REJECTED**

**L) Proposal to the league (General)**

Each team shall pay a nomination of £5 towards the raffle prizes for presentation evening. To be taken from the team's account.

**REJECTED**

**M) Proposal from Committee (General)**

If the league has an odd number of teams, The winners of the Steve James Cup shall receive a bye in the first round of the following seasons Perkins Cup.

**CARRIED**

**N) Proposal from Committee (General)**

No team shall receive more than one bye in any cup competition.

**CARRIED**

**O) Proposal from Committee (Fines)**

Change fine for non-attendance of meetings by a Team Captain or representative from £2.00 - £5.00 (Apologies will be classed as an absence)

**REJECTED**

**P) Proposal from Committee (Fines)**

Change fine for Late Scorecard from £3.00 - £5.00 (Rule 20)

**CARRIED**

**Q) Proposal from Committee (Fines)**

Change fine for non-attendance in relation to participation of competitions – from £2.00 per player to £5.00 per player.

**CARRIED**

**R) Addition to rules – Rule 69 – P**

The Hugh Edwards Presidents Cup – Awarded to a team of the president’s choice based on the current season

**CARRIED**

**S) Proposal from Committee – Addition of new Rule (Playing Instructions)**

**Proposal A**

“If a pin or ball leaves the frame but returns via the side of the alley and strikes further pins, these pins will remain down and count towards the player’s score. However, any pin or ball which returns from the Back Wall, Shute or Ceiling will result in any struck pins being reset”.

**Proposal B**

“If a pin or ball leaves the frame but returns via the side of the alley and strikes further pins, these will not count towards the player’s score and the pins will be reset. Any pin or ball which returns from the Back Wall, Shute or Ceiling will result in any struck pins being reset”.

**PROPOSAL A CARRIED – Added as Rule 28 within playing Instructions – everything from 28-69 pushed forward one to become 29-70.**