

Weston & District Men's Skittle League

Minutes of the Annual General meeting held on 22nd June 2026 at
Weston-super-Mare Conservative Club

Attendance

League Officers	Committee members	Teams		
Alan Russ John O'Donoghue Dennis Roper Dave Spearing Phil Dean Anthony Lightfoot Rich Salvage	Russ Loud Darren Hoskins James Sherwood	Admirals – 1 Anchors – 1 Beermasters – 1 Bittermen – 2 Churchill Club – 1 Crusaders – 1 Early Birds - 1 Ginger Mingers - 1	Klinkerbelles – 1 Langford Rovers – 2 Peckers – 1 Prince of Wales – 1 Rascals – 1 Regency Alleyblasters – 2 Regent Sports – 1 Social Club B – 2 Stragglers – 1 Strays – 1	Unionist A – 2 Uphill Steamers - 2 W.Anchors Away – 1 Weston Legionnaires – 1 White Hart harriers – 1 White Hart Mavericks – 1 Worle Club – 2
Teams not in Attendance		Bleadon Racers, Clarence Lions, Coach House B, Crown Inn, Dab Hands, Flintstones, Half a Bag, Lord Nelson A, Nomads, Shepherds, Survivors.		

- 1 - 19:00 – Meeting opened by the Chairman – *J. O'Donoghue*
- 2 – Roll call of Teams in attendance taken by the Vice Chairman – *D.Roper*
- 3 – Minutes of 2025 AGM presented, approved and signed off by the chairman – *A. Lightfoot*
- 4 – Address from the Chairman – *J. O'Donoghue*
- 5 – Minutes silence in memory of those lost during the season – *J. O'Donoghue*
- 6 - Presentation of accounts and treasurers report – *D. Spearing*
- 7 – League Officer reports – *P. Dean, R. Salvage, A. Lightfoot*

Honoraria

Chariman John O'Donoghue proposed the Honoraria be increased from £870 to £900. This was voted on and approved by those in attendance. This increase will start from the upcoming 2026-27 season.

8 – Consideration of Proposals:

A) Proposal to make pairs and individuals competitions front pin first and follow Hospital cup rules -- **REJECTED**

B) Proposal to introduce an entry fee for the 100-ball competition and prize money for the winners. – **CARRIED** (Note this will still be optional, and not mandatory to enter)

C) Introduce a new trophy for highest individual score in the 100-ball competition -- **CARRIED**

D) Proposal that the league discontinue automatic promotion for the 3rd placed team and automatic relegation for the 3rd bottom team. 3rd Place Trophy and prize money to remain in place. ---**CARRIED**

E) Amend rule 18 To have all games start at 7:30pm – **REJECTED**

F) Amend rule 6 from: “every team shall pay the league fees as set out in the invoice by the due date failure to do so shall result in a fine. all league fees must be paid at or before the january and the final general committee meeting or the team shall be suspended sine die from the league”

To: “Every team shall pay the league fees as set out in the invoice by the due date failure to do so will result in a fine. all accounts must be cleared by the date of the final general committee meeting or by the date set out in the final invoice. any team that fails to clear its accounts by the required date shall be subject to expulsion from the league. furthermore, no player registered to that team shall be permitted to play for any other team until the outstanding account has been fully cleared.”
-- **CARRIED**

G) Amend Rule 25 from: “all players must stand and play their balls from back of alley and before the white line. the opposing captain or appointed referee shall call a no ball. a no ball results from a ball pitching over the white line or any part of the player in contact or over white line.”

To: “All players must stand and play their balls from back of alley and white line. the opposing captain or appointed referee only shall call a no ball a no ball results from a ball pitching on or over white line.”-- **CARRIED**

H) Amend Rule 38 from: “if a team is short of one or more players then only the lowest score hit by other players in the team (including those hit in last set) may be added to teams total score , up to twice to arrive at the total score no such addition shall be allowed in semi-finals or finals”

To: “If a team is short of one or more players, no lowest score hit by other players in the team including last set shall be added to teams total score in any round.”-- **CARRIED**

I) Amend Rule 69c from: “highest individual away average based on 50% of away league matches one trophy per division.”

To: “Highest individual away average shall be calculated from a players top 6 away league scores. players must play a minimum of 6 games to qualify.”-- **CARRIED**

J) Remove Rule 69: “John Sperring trophy to be awarded to highest score against Wrington vale league.” -- **CARRIED**

K) Add a new rule: 28a regarding standing pins any pit that is downed but subsequently stands back up within the diamond be removed from the frame and counted towards player’s score. -- **REJECTED**

L) Add a new rule – If a team win a league match by more than 50 pins, they shall receive a bonus point. -- **REJECTED**

9) Election of Officers: All remaining officers agreed to stand again, no challengers came forward. All were re-elected in in block.

10) Election of Chairman & Vice Chairman: Both agreed to stand again, no challengers came

forward. Both re-elected.

AOB: It was agreed by D.S. Pearce (Unionist A) that he could have an influence through the college that he could orchestrate to bring in younger players. The committee welcomed this and will keep you updated on any developments.

11) Meeting closed at 21:05 By the Chairman – *John O'Donoghue*