

Barnsley Badminton League AGM minutes 06/09/22

The meeting was held at Hoyland WMC

All league clubs sent voting representatives except Old Silcoatians who sent their apologies.

All committee members attended except Alex Pedley and Ian Carpenter who sent their apologies.

Bessecarr club sent two non voting representatives Wendy Gray and Vivienne Young.

1.0 Election of Officials

- Alex Robson and Angela Fletcher have decided they will stand down from their roles. The committee and meeting thanked them for the contribution.
- The committee had previously agreed to combining the Match secretary and League secretary roles. Sean Monkman proposed to undertake this combined role going forward and this was agreed by the meeting.
- Lewis Ransom from Ossett volunteered for the vacant committee role and this was agreed by the meeting.
- There were no volunteers for the Treasurer role. All clubs were asked to try and get a volunteer. If no one is forthcoming a lottery will be undertaken and a club will be asked to fill the role. Minsthorpe will be excluded from the lottery.
- The remaining officials wish to continue in their roles which the meeting agreed.
- Post meeting - Joseph Lucassi (Manvers) has put his name forward for the Treasurer role. This has been approved by the committee.

2.0 League Finances

- Angela walked through the accounts which had been distributed prior to the meeting.
- The accounts were agreed by the meeting.

3.0 New Club

- Bessecarr in Doncaster had requested to join the league, this had been previously approved by the committee.
- They are looking to enter 2 teams which is to be confirmed at club AGM 7/9/22.
- The meeting agreed to Bessecarr joining the league.
- Post meeting - Bessecarr confirmed they will be entering 2 teams, 1 in division 2 and 1 in division 3.

4.0 Match Secretary Report

2021/22 season

- A reminder was given regarding the timeliness and legibility of names on the scorecards. One fine was given out last year.

- Div 1 relegated team was Manvers Park A.
- Div 2 promoted team was Ossett A and relegated team was Manvers Park B.
- Div 3 promoted teams were Staincross C and Wrenthorpe A.

2022/23 season

- Registration forms will be sent out following the AGM and will need to be returned by 23rd Sept at the latest.
- Fixtures will be available by the 1st Oct.
- Season will start mid Oct to early Nov.
- Season should finish before the end of Apr 23.
- Div 1 will be 7 teams with one team relegated.
- Post meeting and as discussed and agreed at meeting Castleford Wanderers A team will move to Division 1 to balance the divisions.
- Div 2 will be 7 teams with one team promoted and two teams relegated.
- Div 3 will be 8 teams with two teams promoted.
- All teams were reminded of rule 5.7 If it becomes apparent after five rubbers or more (of the nine) during a match that it is unlikely all rubbers can be played in full, the home team may elect to play the remainder of the match as if deciding games only; i.e. one game to 21 aces with setting at 20 all and with two clear points required to win, sudden death applying at 29 all (next point wins) – no other format is permitted. The opposition must be informed of the decision to play deciding games before the commencement of the rubbers affected; failure to do so will result in the disputed rubber(s) being awarded to the opposition. If requested, the home team needs to be able to justify its decision to play deciding games to the League Match Secretary.

5.0 Tournament

- The meeting agreed they would like to hold a handicap tournament again this year in Nov.
- The tournament secretary was asked to provide a date ASAP.
- Post meeting - Ian has secured the 6th Nov 12:00 - 18:00 at Hoyland Leisure Centre more details to follow soon.
- Please encourage membership of your clubs to participate.

6.0 Rule Changes

- The following rule changes were agreed by the meeting.
- Transfer deadline to be amended to 31st January throughout the rules.
- New addition of rule 3.14.1 Any violation of rule 3.14 will result in a fine for the club and player to be determined by the committee. For importation rule 3.14 is All transfer of players within a club or between clubs must take place before the registrations deadline of 31st January and with the express consent of The Committee. No transfers within or between clubs will be permitted after this time under any circumstances unless rule 3.10 applies.
- New rule 3.5.1 All players registrations must take place before the registrations deadline of 31st January either by a player appearing on a scorecard or the player name being advised to the match secretary. Unregistered players can not appear for a club / team after this date in a season.

7.0 AOB

- The league point system was discussed, including pointing out the possibility that a team could win all matches and still not win the league. The point system we use rewards all rubbers played. A good conversation around the room was held with support for the current system used.
- Bessecarr asked if new captains could assist ahead of matches with details about any locations parking etc to assist them as they enter the league.