

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CIRENCESTER BADMINTON CLUB 2016-2017 SEASON HELD AT THE GREYHOUND INN, SIDDINGTON, CIRENCESTER ON MONDAY 24th APRIL 2017

Meeting Started 7:03pm

Present	Ian Barrett	Amanda Howell	Andy Howe
	Jenny Dowling	Julia Brook	Ross Burling
	Sally Everest	Jacky Harvey	Katie Ballard
	Ian Fletcher	Lisa Hewett	Shirley Mathews
	Pauleen Barrett	David Creber	Pete Chambers
	Paul Bannister		

1. Apologies for Absence

Bruce Gouge	Joanna Howe	Mandy Arnett
Paul Harris	Jon Jordan	Tom White
Michael Ellyatt	Neil Judd	Sarah Blackwell
Isaac Herbert		

2. Minutes of the 2015-2016 AGM. Having been circulated to all members prior to the meeting and were Proposed by Jacky H and Seconded by David C as being a true record of the meeting and were duly signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising from the minutes. It was noted by the Secretary that moving the AGM to early May had been overlooked but will be brought up under AOB later.

4. Secretary's Report – (Peter Chambers).

First of all, I must apologise for not being around on club nights much this season, it was due partly to childminding duties in Gloucester for 2 of my granddaughters, making me late home. Also, most Thursday's from October I had to take Marilyn to Cheltenham Hospital for weekly consultations for her cancer treatment, and after spending several hours in a hospital I did not feel like going out again in the evening. Now Marilyn is in recovery mode next season I should hopefully be around a bit more. Also, I am about to go and see a consultant about my hip which stops me playing to a degree.

Now I'll move onto the,

Gloucestershire League

- I attended the Gloucestershire League AGM and collected the 2016-2017 team registration documents. There was nothing much else to report from the meeting other than the league committee want to get rid of the printed handbooks at some time, more on this under AOB.
- I registered the same 6 teams as last year for the club and attended the league preseason meeting to collect the handbooks and BG registration forms.
- Final Gloucestershire League tables have been now circulated and should be in front of you somewhere to look at.
- Just after the season started Millbrook Mens 2 pulled out of division 3 reducing the division to 4 teams.
- Kingpins Mens 1 team tried to get me to rearrange our home match as they could not get the players they wanted, I said no and they turned up and whooped us 12-0. Kingpins Mens 2 did not turn up for their home match due team captaincy problems, they conceded the match to us. Cleeve 3 ladies could not get a team for our home match so conceded to us. And there were 2 other matches where the opposition turned up with 3 players.

General Notes

- I was disappointed that at the start of the season that Katie Ballard had to take on the role of Mixed 1st and Ladies 1st Team captain and that Ian Barrett had to take on the role of the Mens 1st and 2nd Team Captain, more on this under AOB.

Kingshill Hall

- The first week of club we managed to gain entry to the hall from the first minute of the season, which had not been the case in a few previous years for various reasons. The floor was a little slippery but by the second week it had improved.
- We were warned in advance the floor would only be swept and not mopped on 2 occasions due school functions in the hall finishing later than usual, our members and the opposition were warned in advance.
- As a surprise Kingshill allowed us to use the hall during the 2 half term breaks and the Easter break giving us an extra 4 nights at Kingshill when we would normally have gone to the Leisure Centre. This bonus came too late for the league fixtures to be rearranged by David Powell. I did manage to move 1 of our home matches on to 1 of the half term dates to help reduce the doubling up of matches on the same night.

Leisure Centre

- Nothing to report, all ok that I am aware of.

Website

- The website has drawn in 12 enquiries this season and 1 turned into a new member and 3 new temporary visitors. I turned away the remainder as not suitable for our club as they were either complete beginners or needed coaching we cannot provide but I did advise alternatives where I could and kept their details for future reference.

Membership

- We had 20 Men and 16 Lady Members this.
- We have had very few visitors to the club this season. Cynthia and David Lee are shown as members as they need to be registered to a club to organise and play in the County Masters Leagues so they only pay us the Badminton England, Badminton Gloucestershire fee's and a small admin. fee so as I can register them. They are classed as non-playing members.

And Finally

- The usual thanks on behalf of all the club members to the Club Committee and the Selection Committee for their work during the past season. Also thanks to the Team Captains; Katie, Sally, Katie again, Pauleen, Ian and Ian again.

5. Club Captains Report – (Katie B). Hopefully everyone has enjoyed their badminton this season. Thank you, Pete, Ian, Jenny, Jo and team captains, for your hard work keeping things running. Results wise it was very consistent - all teams staying up apart from the ladies, who are going up, well done all.

Team Captain Reports

Glos Mixed 1st – (Katie B). A super tight division - we lost 7 out of our 10 games 5-4 - this sounds like a lot of losses - but as you get 4 points each time it helped in the end. Again, we were let down by Alex - who said he'd play then didn't. Tom White came to our rescue, even though it was a big step up for him - he got a couple of points here and there. And they all counted! It was lovely to have Holly join us - she got some solid results with Rob and enjoyed becoming part of our team. There was a fair amount of juggling and improvising to get teams out at times. The ladies were the mainstay - we only lost 3 games of levels all season. After all this we managed to stay up by a single point, phew!!

Glos Mixed 2nd – (Sally E). Mixed B, Division 3, 2016/17, Finished 4th out of 6

Having been promoted last year we are very pleased to have kept our place in division 3 for next year.

We played 10 matches, won 5, lost 5, total points 42, this was 17 points clear of the team finishing 5th.

We did manage to field a full team for every match although there were a couple of clashes throughout the season with Ladies 'A' and mixed 'A' matches on the same night that caused a bit of collaboration from players to make it work. We did have a fairly steady team of Sally, Sarah, Lisa, Neil, Dave and Paul B, we did lose Satyan, gained Tom for a couple of matches then lost him to Mixed 'A' and with Sarah being injured during the middle of the season this year's super sub was Pauline who I think played 7 out of the 10 games. A few others helped by playing the odd game throughout the year – Thank you to all.

Glos Ladies 1st – (Katie B). Clearly there is a huge gap between Div. 1 and 2 - so we found this season rather easy. You might even say we cruised it! We ended up on 106 points. The core team was Amanda, Holly, Katie and Sarah with some valuable help from Sally, Shirley, Lisa and Anna, who I hope will join us next year. Division 1 here we come again!

Glos Ladies 2nd – (Pauleen). The Ladies 2nd team consisted of Sally, Lisa, Pauleen, Shirley and with grateful help from Jacky, Jo and Kate.

I would like to thank you all for all your talent and enthusiasm (Even when we were being thrashed). The Ladies 2nd team will stay up this season as we came 5th out of 6 teams. The winners of our division were Millbrook with 90 points and we ended up with 47 points. The team relegated will be Brockworth Nomads with 29 points, Cynthia Prices team. 😊

With Millbrook out of the way, next season the only way is up.

Glos Men's 1st – (Ian B). players - Neil Judd, rob delaine, Paul Harris assisted by Tom White, Dave Creber, Paul Bannister and on one occasion by Ian Barrett.

As can be seen from the results table the team had a very hard time, the standard of opposition was extremely high, I am sure those of you who watched any of the matches will agree.

Glos Men's 2nd – (Ian B). players - Dave Creber, Tom White, Paul Bannister, Isaac Herbert, Andy Howe and on one occasion Ian Barrett. Overall finished joint second. Well done.

6. Treasurer's report: (Jenny). The balance of the accounts is self-explanatory (see attached) I hope!

The figures in brackets show last years incoming and outgoing figures. We have 36 members by the end of the season / people joined throughout the season and as recently as 3 to 4 weeks ago. There were not so many visitors this year, some we never saw again and some joined as members making a valuable contribution to our club and keeping us on the whole, thriving! We made some money on shuttles sold to the summer club and the Corinium Badminton Club. Summer club is self-supporting / Jo does the bookings and I pay the bills and Ian Barrett ensures these are paid for by the summer club. We haven't made an extra £132 from them this year! This was paid out of last years figures and shown on last years balance as paid out but not paid in! All CBC court fees have been accounted for this year though we are still waiting for invoices on some of them, the total shown is what our full costs will be. We made the usual payments to Badminton England and Badminton Gloucestershire and again the Gloucestershire League entry was free. Once again we have a healthy balance to C/F to 2017/2018 of £1298.15.

7. Election of Officers: elected as follows

	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Proposer</u>	<u>Seconded</u>
i. Chairperson	Ian Barrett	Peter Chambers	Pauleen Barrett
ii. Secretary	Peter Chambers	}	}
iii. Assistant Sec	Joanna Howe	} David Creber	} Katie Ballard
iv. Treasurer	Jenny Dowling	}	}
v. Club Captain	Katie Ballard	}	}
vi. Selection	Sally Everest	}	}
	David Creber	} Jacky Harvey	} Lisa Hewett
	Amanda Howell	}	}
	Paul Bannister	}	}

8. Subscriptions & Fees 2017-2018: No change (last increase 2007/8)

Senior Subscription £85-00, Student Subscription £50-00, Match Fee £3-00

Visitors £4-00 Late Sub. Fee £5.00

Proposed by Jenny Dowling Seconded by Peter Chambers and passed unanimously.

9. League Team entries for next season:

No Change - the Meeting agreed that next season we enter two mixed, two ladies and two men's teams in the Glos League. Proposed by Katie Ballard and Seconded by David Creber and passed unanimously.

10. Rule Changes: No rule changes this year.

11. AOB: (Team Captaincy - Katie) After some discussion among the AGM attendee's, Katie and the committee agreed that for a member to do more than one Team Captains job was not a good idea. It was agreed that when the selection committee pick the teams for the 2017-2018 season they also agree with one of that teams' players that they will be the Team captain.

(Player Availability and team squads - Katie) After some discussion it was decided that player availability had been poor for various reasons this season and asking each club member for their preferred contact method for matches, especially if it is trying to find a last-minute replacement, could be the way forward. Team squads were suggested as a means of alleviating the availability problem as long as all prospective team players check the fixture list and inform the relevant team captain of their availability or non-availability. Team squads also depends on how many members we get at the start of the season. It was left that the Club Captain and the selection committee would see at the start of the next season the number of members we have and whether a team squad system would work.

(More than one fixture on the same night – Katie) There was a lot of doubling up of the wrong types of matches this season. The Secretary replied that this fixture congestion was mainly caused by a lot of our opposing teams playing their home night on a Thursday the same as us. I always ask David Powell to try and keep certain of our teams away from each other either home or away but he struggled this season. The extra club nights we gained from the school allowing us into the hall on the half term's and Easter were too late for the fixture list. I did manage to move one of our home fixture to one of the half term dates, which helped a little bit. Hopefully next season the school still allow us these extra nights again, which will help the David Powell spread our fixtures a bit better, hopefully.

(Secretary AOB) The drinks and biscuits have not been used quite as much again this season, so do we continue providing them. After some discussion, it was decided to do away with them and just provide paper / plastic cups for the water fountain.

Just to remind people the Google calendar is available on the website and can be subscribed to on your mobile

