

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE GRANTHAM & DISTRICT
TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE ON 6th JULY 1994 SOUTH KESTIVEN T.T. CENTRE

The meeting was opened by the Vice Chairman Mrs G.Taylor-Mardell.

Gill opened the meeting by saying a few words on behalf of the league about the loss of our President Mr Peter Hunt who will be sadly missed.

Mrs Edie Hunt sent a donation to the League of £100 in his memory. The secretary sent a card on behalf of the League thanking her.

1, APOLOGIES

Apologies received from Mr P. Chalk and Mr M. Simms.

2, MINUTES

No minutes were available.

3, CHAIRMANS REPORT

The report states that it had been a very busy season which had ended on a sad note, with the loss of our President. Only 3 committee meetings had been held during the season and this must improve for the forthcoming season. We require new committee members who will help to organise our tournaments and events and to oversee the smooth running of Grantham Table Tennis.

On the playing side, the league has run very well.

In the Inter-Town competitions all teams did well and in the East Midlands Cadet League which Grantham won, Darryl Davies took the individual award. Other players gaining awards were Nicola Massingham and Stephen Davies. Stephen won the National Boys under 10 singles title.

In ending the report it was stated that criticism had been levied at the league and the Centre but the reply is short in that "On many occasions in the past year, all the work had been done by too few and if those people were to stop, Grantham would not have a centre or a League"

Mr Peter May then proposed a vote of thanks to the Vice Chairman, Mrs Gill Taylor-Mardell for all her efforts.

4, TREASURERS REPORT

Mr David Beatty stated that we have had a satisfactory year with an income of £2000 and a surplus of £237 - this could be healthier after interest payments.

The annual dinner had made a profit (£14) which was disappointing and should have been better attended.

There had been no knowledge of sponsorship and urged all club members that it was their responsibility to try and get sponsorship if they could.

The Treasurers report was accepted on the proposal by Mr P. May and seconded by Mr A. Hover.

5, REGISTRATION FEES

The registration fees for the 1994/95 season will not change from last season and are £28 per Team
£4 per Player

This was agreed on the proposal of Mr P. May, seconded by Mr A. Hover.

6, ELECTION OF OFFICERS

PRESIDENT - TOO SOON AFTER THE LOSS OF PETER HUNT - NO OBJECTIONS

CHAIRMAN - LEFT VACANT

VICE CHAIRMAN - LEFT VACANT

SECRETARY - Mr Simon Mablesen on proposal by Mr A. Hover, seconded by
Mr P. May.

TREASURER - Mrs Maureen Simon on proposal by Mr J. Lewis, seconded by
Mr J. Mapletoft

MATCH SECRETARY - Mrs Joan Eldred on proposal by Mr P. May, seconded
by Mrs B. May.

INTER-TOWN SECRETARY - Mr Simon Mablesen on proposal by Mr A. Hover,
seconded by Mr A. Aragundade.

UMPIRING SECRETARY - Mr S. Midgley on proposal by Mr A. Hover,
seconded by Mr P. May.

COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE - Mr S. Brown on proposal by Mr P. May,
seconded by Mr A. Hover.

PRESS OFFICER - Mr C. Bryan on proposal by Mr A. Hover, seconded by
Mr N. Locking.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr A. Hover, Mr I. McDonald, Mr P. Cameron, Mr T. Tresadern, Mr J. Lewis on the proposal by Mr S. Mableson, seconded by Mr A. Bryan.

7, AMENDMENTS TO RULES

RULE 4b to read "The number of Honorary auditors appointed, who shall not be officers of the league shall be determined by the Executive Committee", on the proposal of the league committee and passed unanimously.

RULE 4d to read "The management of the league affairs shall be vested in an Executive Committee", on the proposal of the league committee and passed unanimously.

8, SAM HARROP AWARD

This was awarded to Ian McDonald for all his hard work over the last year.

9, ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A proposal that 2 East Midland Cadet Teams be registered in the E.M. Cadet League was passed on the proposal of Mr D. Beatty, seconded by Mr A. Hover.

The Woolwich junior League should be run by the league but at present there is no-one to run it therefore no decisions could be made at the meeting.

A proposal by Mr P. May that the League should run it and that the fees should be levied by the new committee was seconded by Mr J. Mapletoft and passed by the meeting.

10, REGISTRATION OF TEAMS

The AGM was concluded by the registration of teams.

The meeting closed at 21:00 hrs

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SUMMARY OF 1993-94 SEASON

It has been a very busy season which has ended on a very sad note, with the loss of our President, Peter Hunt. He will be very much missed.

Our committee has held only 3 meetings during the season, and this must improve for the forthcoming season. We require new committee members who will help to organise our tournaments and events and to oversee the smooth running of Grantham Table Tennis.

On the playing side, the league has run very well with very few problems.

In the Inter-Town competitions, Grantham Mens Haig Club Team finished ~~2nd~~ ^{3rd} in the league. Grantham also had teams in the Butcher Cup and Veterans Cup. Both teams finished in mid table. Grantham Cadets won the East Midland Cadet League with Darryl Davies taking the individual award.

On the National Scheme, Sovereign Womens Team took the National Womens K.O. Cup for a record 7th successive year and will again qualify for Europe. Gonerby also reached the semi-final of this competition. Our under fourteen Boys Team reached the semi-final of the Johnny Leech Trophy losing to Carlisle 5-2

In the British Womens League, Sovereigns finished 3rd in the Premier Division, which included beating the Welsh National Team twice. Gonerby will be in Division 2 next season after taking the Division 3 title.

In the first junior British League, Sovereigns Boys team failed to qualify but the girls of Gonerby finished third in the Premier Division with Nicola Massingham taking the outstanding player award.

Finally on the National score, Stephen Davies took the National Boys Under 10 Singles title at Bletchley on 4th June 1994 beating the 1, 2 and 4th seeds on his way to victory.

Our Centre continues to be the focal point with the National Team finals being played here for the third successive year. Various England Training Camps have taken place over the last twelve months and these will continue in the coming year.

We find that the centre is used very little by local players apart from league matches and organised coaching. We do get criticism from people that we do not accommodate for the beginner players. This is true to some extent but without help from senior players this cannot happen. The centre receives less than 50 calls per year for casual bookings, this is despite advertising in the local papers.

For people to say that you can never play, the centre is available on average over 24 hours per week when play is available. It is not available during certain hours of the day due to being uneconomical.

We have managed to increase our bar function bookings which is subsidising the playing side but again this is all done by a small number of volunteers. We have finance to train coaches but without players who would be interested and dedicated, this does not happen.

On many occasions in the past year, all the work is done by too few, and if these people were to stop, Grantham would not have a centre.