

SOUTH & WEST SOMERSET LADIES LEAGUE

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MINUTES OF THE AGM HELD AT TAUNTON DEANE ON 21st OCTOBER 2019

Present: 20 representatives from 9 clubs (as in book)

Apologies: S Withers, L Smalldon and P Gray (Somerton), P Warburton (Taunton), J Woods (Yeovil) and M Green (Queen Camel).

The Chairman, Sandra Graham, opened the meeting at 5.25pm by expressing her pleasure at seeing so many attendees. She thanked Taunton Deane for hosting the occasion and Eileen Phippin for producing an appetizing afternoon tea.

The minutes of the AGM held in 2018 were approved and signed by the chairman.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The season started very slowly with some games being postponed because of lack of support in some clubs. Then June being rather wet led to more cancellations so an improvement in the weather was most welcome. However there were several games conceded in the last few weeks of the season. This will be discussed later in this meeting.

Thankfully the conceding of games did not affect the overall result of the season.

As you are all aware, the overall winners for the 2019 season are **YEOVIL**. Well done to my ladies. Last year's winner was **ILMINSTER** club, so I'd like to ask the **ILMINSTER CAPTAIN** (Sam Wall) to do the presentation of the perpetual shield and the individual trophy plaque to **YEOVIL'S SECRETARY** (Jenny Whitlock). {Trophy presentation done}

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Details about the league have been sent to 4 clubs who have shown some interest in future membership, but so far no formal application has been forthcoming.
2. There had been some queries about players who are members of 2 clubs --- that is OK as long as they only play for 1 club in the league.
3. One query followed the nonappearance of a club for a scheduled game due to a mistake in their fixture book. The game had to be forfeited and 6 points given to the nonoffending club who had already travelled to the other club.
4. An e-mail from Queen Camel BC suggesting that the league convert to Triples rather than Rinks.
5. An e-mail from Taunton BC suggesting that when a game is conceded only 3 pts should be awarded to the nonoffending club.

The last two items will be discussed more fully after the Treasurer has given her report.

TREASURER'S REPORT:-

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Outgoings</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Balance c/f 2018			£46.75
Subscriptions for 2019	£80.00		£126.75
Secretarial Expenses		£5.00	£121.75
Trophy and engraving		£20.99	£100.76
Teas (Taunton Deane)		£40.00	<u>£60.76</u>
Balance 21/10/2019			£60.76

Entrance fees for 2020 season had been collected during the afternoon tea so a further £80 was added to the total funds to be handed to the incoming treasurer following Jan Hockley's resignation.

S Graham thanked J Hockley for her work over 3 years.

MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

1. The suggestion for triples had been circulated to all clubs prior to the meeting. Discussion was followed by a vote and the decision made to continue with RINKS.
2. The secretary assured all present that the conceding of 5 games during the season had not led to any change in the ultimate winners, but we do not know what might happen in future years. After playing around with several mathematical adjustments to the 2019 results, the secretary made the following suggestion:-

"If a game is conceded the non offending club should be awarded 3 points, and the offending club should LOSE 3 points from their overall score"

The chairman and secretary both pointed out that this should discourage clubs from conceding a game.

This was unanimously accepted as future policy.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

No nominations had been received for the position of Treasurer but some gentle pressure led to one nomination (Proposed by S Graham, seconded by J Whitlock) which was accepted unanimously. The present chairman and secretary were re-elected unopposed:-

Chairman -- Sandra Graham (Westlands)
Secretary -- Glynne Jones (Yeovil)
Treasurer -- Sue Scammell (Queen Camel)

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A request was made by Ann Kearle (Taunton) for the RULES to be rewritten. The secretary agreed as the rules had been distributed last year with the addendums listed to cover all the changes that have been brought in recently and the rules do need to be clarified for all new officers in all clubs.

Glynne restated that the play schedule she recently circulated was only a rough guide --- it is up to the individual clubs to agree on the most suitable date and time to play each fixture. Once all games have been sorted, a list of dates should be sent to the secretary for checking and circulation to all clubs.

Meeting closed at 6.08 pm

Date of next AGM will be Monday, 19th October 2020