

**Minutes of the York and District Badminton League AGM
held at RI, Wednesday 17 August 2016**

Committee

Chairman	John Fowler
Match Secretary	Paul Hobman
Treasurer	Angela Hobman
Secretary	Hazel Winfield

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from University Students (Charlotte Whiting).

2. Trophies

Paul Hobman presented the trophies to the divisional winners for the 2015-16 season. These were:

Ladies 1	Clifton A	Mixed 1	Clifton A
Ladies 2	Tadcaster	Mixed 2	Selby Drax A
Mens 1	York RI A	Mixed 3	Selby Drax B
Mens 2	RI T/T A	Mixed 4	Pickering
Mens 3	Huntington		
Mens 4	Fulfordgate		

3. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were read out and approved as a true record. Proposed by Middlethorpe, seconded by majority vote.

4. Election of officers

All officers indicated their willingness to stand again and as there were no other nominations they were re-elected en-bloc.

5. Chairman's report

John welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked clubs for attending. He congratulated the divisional winners and wished all teams good luck for the forthcoming season.

He mentioned that the change to the new way of submitting match results had been ok for the majority of the clubs, but that for some clubs there had been problems. This meant that the League Committee had been forced to impose penalty points deductions.

John finished by thanking the league committee members for their help and support and wished all players a successful and injury free season.

6. Treasurer's report

Angie presented the audited accounts to the meeting. Angie explained that currently the League had a surplus of £1,533.72. The accounts showed a healthy surplus so it was proposed that league entry fees remain the same at £5 per team for the 2016-17 season. The accounts were accepted by the meeting and there were no matters arising.

7. Match Secretary's report

Paul gave a brief summary of the league season commenting on how each division was won.

Paul said that the new way of reporting results electronically seemed to be settling in and re-iterated John's comments that some clubs had problems sending in results by the deadline or in some cases not at all. He reminded clubs they would face a points deduction penalty for late or incomplete cards.

Paul reminded clubs the fixtures meeting would take place the following week. He also reminded clubs to exchange fixture lists after the meeting and to register players where clubs had more than 1 team in a section.

Paul finished by wishing all teams a successful season.

8. Rule amendments

John put forward the Committee's proposed rule amendment. After some discussion the wording to rule 9 was amended so that players could transfer to any club within the league on application to the committee rather than just a club within the same division. The amendment was accepted by majority vote.

9. Formation of divisions

The following teams withdrew from the league: Mixed – Riverside B; Men's - RI Tues/Thurs D. Pickering entered a Mens team; Riverside entered a Ladies team and Knavesmire Men's team was re-named David Lloyd.

The following composition of the divisions for the 2016-17 season was agreed.

Ladies (12 teams) – 2 divisions of 6 and 6 teams

Men's (22 teams) – 4 divisions of 6, 6, 5 and 5 teams

Mixed (24 teams) – 4 divisions of 7, 6, 6, and 5 teams.

10. AoB

Angie explained that the League had some surplus funds and the Committee put forward some suggestions on how these could be used including, a contribution towards an end of season dinner/dance or prize money/vouchers for divisional winners. Suggestions from attendees were an equal distribution between the clubs or funding for junior players. A majority vote opted for an equal distribution between the clubs, so that each club would receive approximately £20 per team entered in the 2016-17 season.

Margaret Sinclair explained that the parking arrangements would be changing at the RI so visiting teams should be aware when arriving for matches.

The representatives from Clifton were asked to speak to Daniel Woolfson regarding the progress on the software he was developing for electronic result recording.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm.