

STEVENAGE BADMINTON LEAGUE 2010 AGM

'Extracts'

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Held at Paynes Park Social Club, Hitchin
on Monday 14th June 2010 at 8.00pm.

*Attendance: 24 (18 voting) including four committee members and
1 representing St Johns A and B, 1 representing Vauxhall A and B, 2
representing Academy A, B and C.*

**(Apologies/Non attendees: Hitchin Town, Norton Baldock, Purwell,
Saracens and Whitwell.)**

*Papers available; attendance sheet, agenda, 2009 extract minutes, 2009 draft minutes,
balance sheet, and Ladies Section, Mens Section, league tables. ~~Presentation figures etc,
Marshall Trophy figures etc.~~*

1. Apologies, As above.
2. Opening address and 2009 AGM minutes Jan Macfarlane **thanked all those present** for attending and their work as organisers/fixture secretaries during the season.
The SBL had had a successful season with 28 teams in the mixed league and 18 Saturday afternoons at Barnwell being 5 tournaments, Ladies and (the new) Mens Sections.
Ian read a letter from Professor Chung advising that **£3,535 had been donated to Imperial College Trust in memory of Carl Couzens**, who had sadly passed away in 2008.
The 2009 AGM minutes were accepted.
3. Treasurer's Report. Season not completed – Marshall Trophy figures still to be finalised and Presentation still to take place. Ian stressed the need for a good attendance at the Presentation Quiz Night, as usual as the amount of/any SBL season surplus will be dependant on this event.
The balance sheet was accepted. No changes to 2009/10 subscriptions for 2010/11.
4. Fixtures and 5. Results Jan reported on the distributed information (4 divisions, of 28 teams, as 2008/9. There were **no conceded SBL league matches**. The SBL website has featured the number of outstanding games/results and it was felt that this had assisted in match results being kept up to date.
Full divisional honours as shown on the website:-
Winners D1: Masters, Runners Up: Cam Gears A; Winners D2: Onyx, Runners Up: Icarus; Winners D3: Strings A, Runners Up: Vauxhall A; Winners D4: Academy C, Runners Up: Great Ashby.
6. Ladies Section. Chris Bullock reported on the **continued success** of the monthly matches throughout the season for 8 teams with the Henriksson Tournament on the final afternoon.
7. Mens Section Jan reported on the first season of these Saturday afternoon matches. There were 3 divisions of 5, 4 and 4 teams respectively.
8. Plate, SBL CUP & TALOR CUP.
Ken Abbott advised that 22 **teams** (up 4 from 18 the previous season) entered in the SBL Cup with first round defeated teams entering the Plate competition. One team withdrew prior to the first round and another match was forfeited.
As previously high standards of sportsmanship and play in the finals were evident.

Finals results confirmed:- Plate, Academy B beat Datchworth 6-0; SBL Cup Cam Gears A beat St Johns A 3-3 (8-6 in games); Taylor Trophy Masters (Holders) beat Cam Gears A 4-2.

9. Tournaments. Jan reported on a fourth successful Junior Tournament with a record number of entries at which the **Denise Peat Prize** was awarded to Carmen Au for her overall effort and sportsmanship. There were also 3 very successful tournaments, a men's singles and doubles and a mixed (with the ladies being catered for by the Ladies Section – see above).
10. Inter-league match – Marshall Trophy. Ian reported that following the usual effort from both Stevenage and Letchworth Committee members to ring round in trying to ensure that each club was represented, 4 'divisional teams' represented each league ie 48 players in total at the annual match on Sunday 13th June (*yesterday*) at Hitchin Boys School. The result was a win for Stevenage 3 divisions to 1.
11. Presentation Evening. This joint Letchworth/Stevenage leagues event was scheduled to take place on Friday 25th June 2010 and Ian encouraged all clubs to make an effort to attend in numbers as this event greatly assisted in keeping league subscriptions down by providing surplus funds (to the Letchworth league as well). This year after a lot of effort by the Committees of both leagues it was believed that the best venue available was the Collingwood Suite, Gosling Sports Park, Welwyn Garden City.
12. 2010/11 Committee. Richard Adams was thanked for his assistance again at the Junior Tournament. Ian indicated that the Committee agreed to continue and it was **agreed that Ian, Jan, Chris Bullock and Ken Abbott would remain the SBL Committee**. Words of appreciation came from Chris Holley and others for the work done by the Committee.
13. 2010/11 divisions Jan thought that it was possible that 2 teams might not re-enter but 2 new teams might join the SBL. Academy and Icarus indicated that they would be the 2 new teams. Thus **hopefully the 2009/10 total of 28 teams in 4 divisions will continue**.
14. Any Other Business
 - (i) Veterans Tournament; *SEE FULL VERSION OF AGM MINUTES*
 - (ii) Knebworth BC; *SEE FULL VERSION OF AGM MINUTES*
 - (iii) Cup matches; *SEE FULL VERSION OF AGM MINUTES*
 - (iv) Inter-league match – Marshall Trophy *SEE FULL VERSION OF AGM MINUTES*.
15. Close. There being no further business, **PRE-SEASON ENTRY FORMS** (PROVIDING FOR DISCOUNTS FOR 2009/10 TEAMS WHO WERE AGM ATTENDEES AND 'SECOND TEAMS') WERE DISTRIBUTED TO THOSE PRESENT (FOR RETURN WITH FEES BY FRIDAY 2nd JULY 2010)**. There was also a new form for those MEN interested in playing in the Mens Section in 2010/11. Ladies Section forms would become available. (** On the reverse is a pre-printed blank listing for team nominations which will hopefully be completed and returned at the same time as the entry forms – BY 2nd JULY.)
The meeting closed at 9.10pm.

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