

# WENVOE PÉTANQUE CLUB

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## MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD ON SUNDAY 7th JANUARY 2024 AT 12.30PM, at DINAS POWYS ATHLETIC CLUB

PRESENT: Robert Pugh ( Ken Aston ( Brian Dale ( Selwyn Lloyd ( Terry Lloyd Roy Mountjoy Richard Mountjoy Gill Thompson Ed Frampton Ras Nourizadeh

(Secretary) (Chair) (Club Captain (Treasurer)

- APOLOGIES: Ray Hayes, Diane Hayes, David Morgans, Sarah Clarke
- AGENDA: 1. Apologies
  - 2. Minutes of AGM 2023
  - 3. Matters Arising
  - 4. Treasurer's Report
  - 5. President's Report
  - 6. Resolutions received
  - 7. Election of Club Officers
  - 8. WPA League Teams for 2024
  - 9. Any other business in lieu of OGM
  - 10. Close AGM

## 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from three members.

## 2. Minutes of Annual General Meeting, 2023

The Minutes of the 2023 Annual General Meeting, which had been previously distributed among all registered Club Members, were approved and seconded.

## 3. Matters Arising

The Club withdrew its bid to host the Celtic Challenge. The Club had reintroduced a £5 "social" membership for visitors.

## 4. Treasurer's Report:

Selwyn presented a summary of the accounts and explained the detail. The accounts were agreed.

## 5. President's Report:

Ken began by thanking everyone for attending the AGM.

• Once again, the year was completely overshadowed, by the loss of another two longstanding members, David "Dai" Cannan in April, and Gloria "Glo" Davies in July. Dai was a very popular and dedicated member of the club and the League teams. In particular, he will be remembered for being Club Treasurer for many years. Dai has been suffering with the effects of cancer for several months before he passed away. Glo was a member of the Club, before it was constituted, having played boules in the village of Wenvoe with her late husband, Alun in the early '70s. Glo was taken ill with s stroke while playing at Dinas Powys in a League match. She passed away 2 weeks later. Both will be sorely missed by everyone who knew them and the club's condolences are extended to both families.

- The Club has now installed a bench on the decking area in memory of both these much loved members. It is planned to add memorial plaques for other recently-deceased members in 2024.
- In the League, the Club entered two teams. The Dragons continued their journey in Division one, but, sadly, had a poor season, finished in 8<sup>th</sup> place, and facing relegation to Division 2 in 2024. The Warriors reformed and joined Division 2. They too suffered a difficult season, with Brian Dale having to stand down as team captain to look after his wife. Thanks to Selwyn for stepping in to take on the role. Like their first division clubmates, the Warriors finished 8<sup>th</sup> in Division 2.
- August saw the Wenvoe Welsh Open Triples played once again. This was the 42<sup>nd</sup> running of this event. The weather was, again, stunning for what turned out to be another hugely successful event with 16 teams competing again. Thanks to Ken for keeping everyone well-fed from the barbecue he spent all day behind. We must also thank Derek & Marie Jones for helping out with the preparations and for assisting with the BBQ on the day.
- Ken and Selwyn represented the WPA in Home Nations, in Whitnash. Wenvoe had a full team (Terry, Selwyn, Gloria and Dave Morgans) initially qualify for the Home Nations, but losing Gloria, and Terry's untimely illness, meant the team had to withdraw, although Selwyn did attend as a member of the first reserve team that took their place.
- The Club considered applying to host the 2024 Celtic Challenge, but following the events of the Year, decided it would be too much work to organise an event the Club could be proud of, so the decision was taken to withdraw from the bid process.
- Thanks to Terry Lloyd for once again organising a successful Christmas lunch, this year returning to The Highwayman, Rhoose.
- Thanks also to Bob and Selwyn for continuing in their roles as Secretary and Treasurer, to Brian for being Club Captain, and to everyone helped with the preparations for the piste at for the Wenvoe Welsh Open.
- Regrettably, Ken has decided to stand down as Club President.

Best wishes to everyone for the coming year – both on and off the piste.

## 6. Resolution

No Resolutions had been received.

## 7. To Elect Cub Officers

With Ken Aston stepping down, the Club had a vacancy for President. Brian Dale was the only nominee; nominated by Raz Nourizadeh, and seconded by Ed Frampton, and was unanimously elected. Brian moving to President, left a vacancy for Club Captain. Ed Frampoton was nominated by Terry Llotd, and Seconded by Gill Thmpson and was unanimously elected. The remaining incumbent members of the Executive Committee were reelected.

Treasurer: Selwyn Lloyd President: Brian Dale Secretary: Bob Pugh Club Captain: Ed Frampton

## 8. WPA League Teams for 2024 Season

It was decided that the Club would only enter 1 team this year, and a further meeting would be held to discuss this when a formal invitation was received.

It was agreed to increase the weekly league subs to  $\pounds 2$  per player – this should cover the cost of providing refreshments for home games.

## 9. Any other Business

Gill asked about advertising and publicity in an attempt to attract more members. She will look into the possibility of advertising in local free papers. Bob will look into the costs of obtaining an advertising banner to replace the one brought from Wenvoe that was damaged.

The Chairman closed the Annual General Meeting at 1:35pm.

Minutes reported to be true:

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