

WENVOE PÉTANQUE CLUB

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MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD ON THURSDAY $16^{\rm th}$ FEBRUARY 2018 AT 7.30PM, AT THE FUNCTION ROOM, WENVOE ARMS

- PRESENT: Mike Coleman (President/Chairman) Robert Pugh (Secretary) Dave Cannan (Treasurer) Ken Aston (Club Captain) Richard Mountjoy Roy Mountjoy Gloria Davies Mike Jacques
- APOLOGIES: Rod Dobbins, Terry Lloyd, Ray Hayes, Diane Hayes, Peter Westall, Diane Westall, Lewis Ellar, Harley Ellar, Tony Jellings, Mick Clarke

AGENDA: 1. Apologies

- 2. Minutes of AGM 2016
- 3. Matters Arising
- 4. Treasurer's Report
- 5. President's Report
- 6. Resolutions received
- 7. Election of Club Officers
- 8. WPA League Teams for 2018 Season
- 9. Euro-Cup
- 10. Competition Hosting including the 2018 Wenvoe Welsh Open Triples
- 11. Any other business
- 12. Close AGM

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from a number of members.

2. Minutes of Annual General Meeting, 2016

The Minutes of the 2016 Annual General Meeting, which had been previously distributed among all registered Club Members, were approved and seconded.

3. Matters Arising

The 2017 AGM was late this year partly due to the disruption within the WPA and also due to the unavailability of members of the Club Executive Committee. No other matters arising.

4. Treasurer's Report:

Dave Cannan distributed a copy of the Summary of the accounts and explained the content. Bob remarked that it was good to see the additional cost of hiring the Pavilion at the Playing Fields for the 2017 Wenvoe Welsh Open Triples hadn't cost the Club anything, although it hadn't netted the same profit as previous years. All agreed it was a well-supported event and the move back to the Playing Fields had been a success. Dave explained he had managed to get the Vale of Glamorgan Council to waive the VAT charge in lieu of the poor state of cleanliness inside the toilet areas of the Pavilion.

5. President's Report:

Mike Coleman began by thanking everyone for turning up at the AGM. Mike delivered the President's Report for the past year.

- Mike said once again the season was overshadowed by the sad death of a Club member, Laurent Mirbelle who died on in France on July 29th in a tragic car accident. Laurent had been a member since 2015, having joined from Penarth PC and played an active and supportive role within the Club.
- Mike also mentioned the sad death of Joan Bosley, Widow of Ray, both of whom had been founder-members of the Club.
- On the Playing front, the Club had again represented Wales in all of the major competitions, including the Celtic Challenge, Home Nations and EPA Inter-Regionals. Club members also took part in a number of National competitions, including the National Over 55s, which was again won by Bob Pugh, Peter Westall & Ray Hayes (along with Peter Beresford of Pontyclun RFC PC) and who went on to represent Wales in the 4th European Veterans Championships in Denmark, and the National Mixed Doubles, which was again won by Peter Westall (along with Gemma Foster from Caerleon RFC PC). Ian Bailey had won the National Doubles (with Jean-Yves Robic of Penarth PC), Peter Westall had won the National Singles and National Precision Shooting (with Ian as runner-up). In addition, Ian & Julie (along with jean-Yves Robic) had won the Stuart Clarke Cup.
- In the WPA League, The Warriors had come 4th in Division 1, having been in contention for the title up until the last 2 weeks, whilst the Raiders won Division 2 with the Dragons coming 3rd.
- Wenvoe PC again entered the Welsh Cup for Clubs and were victorious beating Caerleon RFC PC in appalling condition in the Final. Unfortunately, the Club was unable to commit to representing Wales in the Euro-Cup, but Caerleon went instead and acquitted themselves and Wales admirably.
- Owing to the issues at the Wenvoe Arms, the Club was unable to host any WPA events this year, resulting in a significant reduction in income from raffle money, but successfully reverted to the Playing Fields to host the Wenvoe Welsh Open Triples.
- On the Social front, the Club's details are available on the website, as well as Facebook & Twitter. The annual Club dinner was held at the Horse & Jocjkey and was enjoyed by all who were able to attend.
- Thanks to Bob and Dave for their work on the Committee and to Bob for maintaining the Club's website. Thanks to Dai for continuing to supply the refreshments on Sunday mornings, and for standing in as Treasurer.
- Thanks to all members who helped with the preparation of pistes for all competitions and especially for the Wenvoe Welsh Open Triples at the Playing Fields..

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

As no nominations had been received and all incumbent Officers were prepared to re-stand they were all re-elected unopposed:

President: Mike Coleman Secretary: Bob Pugh Treasurer: Dave Cannan Club Captain: Ken Aston

8. WPA League Teams for 2018 Season

Bob said he understood Vickie Adshead had agreed to administer the WPA League again in 2018 and that the Invitations for League entry would be sent out imminently. It was agreed to enter 3 Teams again for 2018, based around the same core players as 2017, with additional members acting as Reserves as needed.

9. Euro-Cup

Bob explained the Club had been invited to consider attending the 2018 Euro-Cup to represent Wales, should Caerleon RFC PC decline the invitation. Bob explained that any number of Club member can go on the trip (as yet, venue is unknown) and for each match against another Club a team of 6, 7 or 8 players will be fielded. In line with the Cup for Clubs rules, every team much have a minimum of 6 players be mixed. If there are 7 or 8 players in the team at least 2 of the players must be of the opposite sex (i.e. Teams of 6 = 5 men, 1 lady; Team of 7 = 5 men and 2 ladies; Team of 8 = 5 or 6 men and 2 or 3 ladies). Bob explained he had messaged the Baileys and the Hayes' to see if they would be available and was awaiting their responses, having already be advised Diane Weastall was not available.

Bob went on to explain that the WAP had given Caerleon RFC PC until 21st February to respond, so if they decline Wenvoe PC will be invited to attend, but will need to reply very quickly as the WPA must respond to the CEP by 1st March.

It was decided that, provided was can get at least 2 ladies to attend, the Club will accept the invitation if we receive it.

Further meeting will then need to be held to organise the details once the venue is known.

10. Competition Hosting

Bob had received a request from the WPA for the Club to consider hosting WAP events in 2018. It was decided that the complications at the Wenvoe Arms, together with the poor state of the Car Park surface made this impractical for 2018. The Playing Fields are unsuitable as the Club would lose a significant amount of money in the costs of hiring the Pavilion for the day, and there would be no financial support from the WPA.

It was decided that the Wenvoe Welsh Open Triples would be held again in 2018 – Bob believed this to be the 40th year this competition had been held. It was decided to talk to the Steward at Dinas Powys RFC to explore the possibility of hold it there instead of the Playing Fields. This will be discussed in greater detail at a future General Meeting.

11. Any other Business

Dave Cannan asked about the forthcoming WPA Veteran's competition and will contact the WPA Director of Development to enter a team.

Mike Coleman asked about the lights on the piste at the Pub. Mike Jacques said he would ask about the possibility of turning the power off to enable an electrician to replace them with brighter, lower-power lamps.

Bob has renewed the Club's WWW Domain address for another 5 years – Dave reimbursed him out the cash-in-hand he had.

The Chairman closed the Annual General Meeting at 8:30pm.

Minutes reported to be true:

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