



# Corinthians Badminton Club

## Minutes of AGM – 21 May 2015

The annual general meeting of the club was held at Ipswich School, Henley Road, Ipswich (Room 29) at 7.00pm. 17 out of the 52 members attended.

Present – Bob Chamberlain, Ian Young, Adam Rae, Brendan Goffin, Paul Finbow, Pat Chamberlain, Graham Mitchell, Sue Mckinley, Sally Barker, Simon Barker, Carolyn Mackender, Martin Waters, Duncan Chamberlain, Wendy Collins, Alex Tooke, Louise Tooke and Glenn Tooke.

### 1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Steve Larkman, Pete Taylor, Marc Hendy, Gill Harris, Darren Walters, Neil Bonham, Karen Bass and Andy Jennings.

### 2. Minutes of 2014 AGM

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 22 May 2014 were confirmed and signed as a true record.

### 3. Matters Arising

There were two matters arising.

Video Camera – this was not considered during the year. However, the meeting thought that new mobile phones or tablets would provide adequate recording of players for coaching purposes, if needed.

Coaching – this was very successful this year and particular thanks were recorded for Mike Tee and Bob for their efforts in running these sessions.

### 4. Secretary's Report

Paul presented his report (copy of which is posted on the website). Particular attention was drawn to Ladies A winning the First Division for the first time since 1972.

Paul asked Glenn to provide an update on the AGM of Suffolk Badminton which he had attended. The only things of note were Stowmarket winning the Olga Greengrass trophy this year, and the news that the Bury league appears to be struggling to continue.

The acceptance of the Secretary's report was proposed by Bob, this was seconded by Adam and was carried unanimously.

## **5. Treasurer's Report**

Adam presented his report. The accounts presented had not been audited by the Auditor (Steve Cox) yet. This is due to only three weeks being between the end of the financial year and the AGM meeting date. The Committee would review the date of the AGM in future to see if it could be held slightly later to give time for the accounts to be audited.

The accounts showed that the club made a loss of £669.00 in the year, which equates to about the surplus that was made in 2013/14. This was not unexpected as we gave a £5 discount on membership fee for the year and we invested £264 into coaching (this was the loss on two courses after course fees). Summer club also made a loss of £105.

The accounts also show a small stock of club shirts. It was agreed that these would be offered for sale at a discount.

Bob thanked Adam and proposed that the meeting accept the Treasurer's Report. This was seconded by Brendan and was carried unanimously.

## **6. Election of Officers**

The following were elected:-

Post	Nominated	Proposed	Seconded
Chairman	Bob Chamberlain	Paul	Pat
Secretary	Paul Finbow	Bob	Carolyn
Treasurer	Adam Rae	Bob	Pat
Match Secretary	Brendan Goffin	Glenn	Bob
Child Protection			
Auditor	Steve Cox	Bob	Adam
Committee Member	Carolyn Mackender	Bob	Paul
	Sally Barker	Bob	Paul
	Karen Bass	Bob	Paul
	Neil Bonham	Bob	Paul
Social Secretary	Sue Mckinley	Bob	Alex

All appointments were uncontested and were carried unanimously. The Child Protection role will be undertaken by Bob. The role of team selectors would continue to be undertaken by the whole committee for 2015/16. This will spread the load and make it easier to inform players.

## **7. Playing arrangements for 2015/16**

Club nights will continue on Thursday nights from 7.30pm until 10.30pm from September 2014 until March 2015.

Pat raised the issue of operating the peg board for choosing games, and the divide between some of the better players and the beginners / improvers. It was agreed that the Committee would email members before the start of the season reminding them of the how the peg board works and that up till 9pm we are one club and it should feel like that. After 9pm all players will get games at the appropriate standard (on the assumption that there are sufficient members to make this work).

We will look at running coaching courses again this year, but will try and ensure that they are self-financing.

The first club night will be on 3 September 2014.

## **8. Fee Structure for 2015/16**

Adam proposed that the subscription and voluntary donation for 2015/16 together would return to £60 per member. The match fee arrangements of £5 (split 50% match fee, 50% voluntary donation) would remain. Juniors would pay half the adult amount. This was agreed.

Should members wish to pay in two instalments they should speak to Adam.

Fees for the social badminton section would equally be £60, with half of the amount being a voluntary donation.

All players who either play matches or attend club nights more than five times will be registered with Badminton England. This costs about £14 and is included within the £60.

## **9. Any other Business**

The league AGM is on 8th September 2015 at 7.30pm. Paul and Brendan will attend on behalf of the club.

Pat asked about restocking the first aid kit which now had no cold packs. This would be undertaken as well as contact made with the school about the inadequacy of the onsite first aid kit in the reception area.

The meeting closed at 8.05pm.

**Paul Finbow**  
**Secretary**  
**Corinthians Badminton Club**