

Bracknell Bridge League
Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held
on Thursday 18th May 2017 at 75 Brackendale Road

Present: Committee: Alan Brown (AB) Chair (Yateley)
Joyce Baldock (JB) Treasurer (Aerospace)
Dave Green (DG) Fixture Secretary (Ascot)
Ian Adnams (IA) Secretary (Finchampstead)
Dave Lee (DL) Aerospace
David Pinder (DP) Camberley
Bill Barclay (BB) Bracknell Forest

Club Representatives: Chris Hopkins (Woodley), Amanda O'Neill (Bracknell Forest), Pamela Brown (Yateley).

Voting Rights:

(Ascot)	Dave Green	2 votes
(Bracknell Forest)	Amanda O'Neill	2 votes
All others		1 vote

1. **Apologies** were received from John Fairhurst (Lily)
2. **The Chairman** welcomed representatives to the meeting and explained the voting rights.
3. **Minutes of the 2016 meeting** were accepted and signed
4. **Matters Arising** there were no matters arising
5. **The Secretary** had received a communication from Andy Kirk (Bracknell Forest) suggesting that the handicaps for the Pivot Cup should be based on the NGS. Discussion points: 1) The EBU has a system to covert IMPS to %, is it possible to do this now that LMS is updated. 2) The present system works well within the League structure. 3) Players are able to 'hide' their NGS ranking. It was agreed to look into this matter in greater detail. AB to send DP the current handicap file for analysis and the item to be on the Agenda for the next meeting of the committee.
6. **The Treasurer** tabled a copy of the Accounts for 2016-2017 which showed a loss for the year of £120, to partially redress this she proposed that an increase of £2 per team (up to £10) be implemented in the coming season, with EOSP (£3 per player) and Pivot Cup (£7) remaining the same - vote 10 for and 2 against. She then proposed that the Accounts be adopted and also that we remain affiliated to the EBU as we are now 100% reliant on it – carried unanimously.
7. **Appointment of Examiner of Accounts** – Adrian Smith – unanimously accepted (JB/CH)
8. **The Fixtures/Results Secretary** – reported that LMS is now in its 2nd year, no problems or questions had been received, and any minor hiccups had been sorted easily. A few minor tweaks were needed to the BBL rules to bring them in line with the LMS system.

9. **Pivot Cup Secretary** - AB explained that following the resignation of JF DL had agreed to administer the Pivot Cup. CH suggested that the secretary emails the club contacts to let entrants know when the Pivot cup draw is live – JB felt this was not necessary.

10. Election of Officers

The secretary took over the meeting and with no nominations from the floor proposed that BB be elected as Chair, DG be elected as Pivot Cup secretary and all other committee members

Ian Adnams (Secretary)

Joyce Baldock (Treasurer)

Dave Green (Fixtures & Results Secretary)

Dave Lee (Pivot Cup Secretary)

David Pinder

Alan Brown

be re-elected en-bloc – carried unanimously.

BB noted that AB had been instrumental in the BBL for 20 years and proposed a great vote of thanks to him for all his services.

AO (Bracknell Forest) thanked the committee for their commitment in making the League possible to all.

11. **Any other business** CH queried why the old BBL website no longer shows the League Results – BB to look into the possibility of reinstating this. The Secretary thanked the Chair and his wife Pamela for providing the venue and for their hospitality.

12. **The date of the 2018 AGM** will be arranged later in the season for end of April/beginning of May.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.02pm