**WEST KENT SUNDAY FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

Minutes of the 49th Annual General Meeting

Held at High Brooms Working Men’s Club on Thursday 23rd June 2016

League Officers present: Stuart Turner Chairman

 Angela Barham General Secretary

 Ian Scott Fixture Secretary

Council Members present: Geoff Mills

**1. Chairman**

Stuart Turner opened the meeting, the leagues 49th AGM, and welcomed everyone, particularly representatives of new clubs to the league and Bill Warner, Chairman of the Tonbridge & District Football League (Saturdays).

**2. Apologies**

Apologies had been received from Mike Noble (Minutes Secretary), Reg Mackelden (Treasurer), Andrew Newman (Referee Secretary), Tony Vanns (Registration Secretary) and James Shaw (League Council Member).

**3. Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting**

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 25th June 2015 were accepted as correct. Proposed by Insulators FC, seconded by Tonbridge Invicta FC, and agreed by all present.

**4. Matters Arising**

No matters arising

**5. General Secretary**

Report has been sent to clubs (copy attached).

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**6. Treasurer**

Stuart mentioned in Reg’s absence that the accounts were in excellent condition.

 A proposition that the audited accounts should be accepted was put forward by Pembury Sunday FC, seconded by FC Haywood, accepted by all present.

**7. Auditor**

The re-appointment of Mr. Michael Payne as the league’s auditor was approved unanimously.

**8. League Constitution for 2016/2017**

Two new clubs will join the league for next season. Tunbridge Wells Youth (Ridgewaye) Division 4 and Gardeners Arms Division 2. Also Tunbridge Wells Foresters have entered a reserve team Division 4.

Stuart Turner explained some difficult decisions were made before deciding the constitution of the league and it was thought to be in the best interest of all clubs and hopefully produces a competitive season.

The constitution of the league for 2016/17 was proposed by Simla FC and seconded by Tonbridge Invicta and accepted by all present.

**9. Rule Amendments**

The following **Rule amendments** are proposed by your Management Committee:

10 F (ii) Any Club with more than one team in the Competition shall always fulfil its fixtures within the competition

in the following order of precedence; First Team, Reserve Team, A Team.

IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES AND WITH THE PRIOR

PERMISSION OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, A FIRST TEAM MATCH SHALL

NOT TAKE PLACE, BUT A RESERVE TEAM MATCH SHALL BE PLAYED.

THE FIRST TEAM FIXTURE WILL BE TREATED AS AN UN-FULFILLED FIXTURE IN

ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 10J.

13 E (I) To confirm that when appointed by the League (usually Semi-Finals only) the Assistant Referee will be paid £25.

When playing a double header, the combined match fee will be: Referee £50 and Assistants £35

14 B A proposal to change this rule to allow a First Team to withdraw from the League and the Reserve side remain was considered un-necessary by the KCFA. The rule as it stands allows for this to happen. However the Club would not have to de-register its first team players, but rule 8 C would still apply.

The above has been agreed with the KCFA.

**10. Season 2016/2017**

It was proposed that the League’s season should commence on Sunday 4th September 2016 and finish on 14th May 2017.

**11. League Officers and Council Members**

Bill Warner (Chairman of Tonbridge & District Football League and also Tonbridge Invicta) advised those present that as all members of the league council were prepared to continue in their current roles they could be re-elected ‘en-bloc’ this was agreed unanimously.

 Chairman Stuart Turner General secretary Angela Barham

 Treasurer Reg Mackelden Fixtures Secretary Ian Scott

 Referees Secretary Andrew Newman Registration Secretary Tony Vanns

 Minutes Secretary Mike Noble

Council Members Peter Elwood, Geoff Mills and James Shaw

**12 Presentations**

 Presentation of the league awards for 2015/2016 were then made to:-

 Sportsmanship Award East Grinstead Mavericks FC

 Assistant Referee of the Year (Alan Rolfe Memorial Cup) Mick Le Fevre (The Bell Golden Green FC)

 Refereed most games (Peter Hazlewood Memorial Cup) Mark Wilson

 Referee of the Year (Harry Friend Cup) Matt Pollington

 Secretary of the Year (Jim Smith Cup) Will Wood (Blackham & Ashurst FC) and

 Ryan Ennis (Cassidy’s Phoenix FC)

 Club of the Year (Cecil King Cup) St. Johns Yard FC

Bill Farnes presented the Assistant Referee of the year award and afterwards said a few words encouraging youngsters to take the referee training courses available and also thanked clubs for supplying assistant referees for the past season.

**13. Any other business**

a) There will be three cup competitions next season: Senior, Intermediate and Junior. Teams outside of Division 1 and 2 can apply to enter the senior cup.

b) Mike Noble has told the League Council that at a recent KCFA meeting that they would be introducing a 5 year ban for anyone spitting at an opponent or match official.

c) If anyone knows of others who would be interesting in having an advert on our website then please contact Stuart Turner.

d) Angela Barham requested that clubs send her their KCFA affiliation numbers as soon as possible

e) Clubs were reminded that they needed to have at least 12 players registered with the league 21 days before the start of the season.

Pre season meeting is on 25th August 2016 8.00 pm at the High Brooms Working Men’s Club.

£50 fine for non attendance.

 The meeting closed at 20.40