**Minutes of AGM for 2023 season.**

**1 Chairman opened the meeting at 13:05**

**2 Minutes silence in memorium.**

**3 Roll call taken.** 27 present,2 Apologies V Park A. Eagle A.

**4 No minutes from 2022 AGM as no Minutes Secretary.**

**5 No matters arising.**

**6 Secretary’s report.**

Started by mentioning the passing of the President Ted Green and also thanks to Brian Renton for taking on the role of President of the Association.

Roughly the same number of registered layers at 500 with about 100 ladies.

10 a side last season. Walkovers reduced dramatically from nearly 250 down to 38.

Delegates meeting. We have reduced to 4 or 5 a season but the September meeting had an attendance of only 15 delegates which was very disappointing to me.

We have held seven committee meetings, so the committee members spend a lot of time running the association. Would like to thank those members of the committee who do not get any Honoria for the extra work they put in. Also, to be remembered that the committee help to run the main competitions especially on finals day.

Congratulations to last season’s Divisional winner.

Bewsey B Div C, GESM B Div B, Grange A Div A.

Prize Presentation went very well with an increased attendance of 95.

However, there were only 15 raffle prize donations not 29.

Also, we will be looking at another venue this season as this upstairs room is unsuitable for disabled access.

Parks tickets. LY Price charged to players £27 and £41.

Spoke to WBC and they’re looking at £28/9 and £42 + 4.5% but not definite yet. We won’t know till near the start of the season. Only new Parks team players will have to complete the application form and we will still arrange for the tickets to be paid for and issued through us.

Next Delegates meetings

Dates for player registration Tuesday 27th Feb, Date of fixtures to be issued Tuesday 26th March.

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Delegates to check that their Club insurance, safeguarding +training and DBS renewals are all up to date.

To finish a big thank you to all delegates. I couldn’t carry out my role as Secretary without your support and assistance so THANK YOU.

**7 Matters arising.**

Secretary confirmed that the Parks ticket application form need only be completed by new players.

**8 Auditors report.**

The Auditor had retired due to ill health and Alan Woodward had been appointed as the new Auditor. He was not present at the meeting but had signed the Balance sheet.

**9 Treasurers report.**

Treasurer stated that the Committee had agreed a 50p per player rise to £8 in the player registration fee for this season.

There had been a small profit of £ in the year leaving a balance of £ in the bank account.

**10 No matters arising.**

**11 Comp Secretary Report.**

Secretary read out a list of winners of the competitions.

Congratulations to GESM B and A Park D for winning the Challenge Cups. St Oswalds for winning the 20 Club Trophy. Bibby Cup Woolston A, Jerams L Wells, Walter King L Wells,

Old Contemptibles Tetley B, Mixed Pairs Tetley A/ St Oswalds, Charity Men’s Team Captain K Wainwright.

Bowler of the year run as a 3 divisional competition for the first time and a one green venue.

Held at GESM and won by Div A l Wells, Div B David Rothwell Div C B Grady.

Thanks to GESM for hosting the event and I hope they made some money on the refreshments for their section funds.

Thanks to the Referees for officiating at all the finals and also to Brian Renton for hosting most of the qualifying and finals for the competitions.

Overall slight increase in entrants but still need more as a lot of work needed to run these comps and still no Competition Secretary.

**Committee have agreed that we will be running the competitions in 2024 as follows.**

A Play one singles, and one pairs one year then the other singles pairs the next year. This will keep all the trophies going.

B Challenge Cup, 20 Club Cup, Bowler of the Year, Battle of the sexes, Mixed Pairs will be run as they are sponsored.

C Play qualifying and finals on Play Bank Holidays and Fridays.

Benefits free up Wednesdays for re-arranged matches and may allow some clubs to enter as they have social bowling on Wednesdays.

D Prize money to be put on all communications.

E Refreshments to be provided free of charge with a £10 donation to the host venue.

**12 No matters arising.**

**13 Teams for 2024.**

All 29 current teams confirmed that they would be registering for 2024. .

**14 Election of Officials.**

 All those standing for election were voted in.

**15 Motions**

Results of the voting were as follows.

Motion 1 For 7 against 19 abstentions 1.

Motion 2 For 22 against 0 abstentions 5.

Motion 3 Voted out at the EGM.

Motion 4 For 23 against 0 abstentions 4.

Motion 5 Withdrawn.

Motion 6 For 26 against 0 abstentions 1.

Motion 7 Withdrawn.

Motion 8 For 26 against 0 abstentions 1.

Motion 9 For 27 against 0 abstentions 2.

Motion 10 For 25 against 0 abstentions 2.

Motion 11 For 21 against 1 abstentions 5.

**16** **New Teams for registration.**

New teams at Penketh Park and St Elphins B were voted in.

 **17 Charity to be sponsored.**

One notification from GESM. Secretary will conform details at a later stage.

Meeting Closed at 14 : 10.