Minutes of the Belper League AGM held on15th February2022 at Belper Meadows 7:00pm

1. Apologies - Received from Joy Wood and Jordan Hind ( Derby Co-op)
2. Chairmans Welcome -The Chairman asked delegates to stand for a minutes silence to remember those who we had lost.
3. Minutes of last AGM 11th February 2020 – Accepted as read by the meeting.
4. Matters Arising – None
5. Election of Committee –Since the death of our previous Secretary ( Kev Fletcher ) in 2020 Peter Wheeldon had been acting as interim Secretary and he stated that he would be willing to carry on and this was accepted by the meeting. The rest of the committee had been approached by Peter prior to the meeting and all had agreed to carry on, so this means that Dave Sanders will be Treasurer and the rest of the committee is Joy Wood, John Davies, Ray Bonser and Ruth Mable. This was accepted by the meeting. The new secretary stated that there are two vacancies on the committee, one because he had stepped into the secretary’s role and a new Chairman would be required and the second because of the sad recent death of Dave Eite. There were no takers for the role of Chairman but Neil Pickering volunteered to come on to the committee and this was accepted. This means we are still one short on the committee and we have no Chairman.
6. Election of Delegates to represent Mid-Derbyshire at County Meetings – Neil Pickering and Peter Wheeldon agreed to carry on and this was accepted.
7. Appointment of Auditor – Mick Stacey was not present but will be approached to carry on.
8. Treasurers Report – Dave Sanders distributed a copy of the statement of accounts and went on to give a précis of them and explained that we had made a loss on the year of just over £1000 and just over £300 the previous year. He proposed that to maintain the bank balance that league fee’s should increase to £23 per team and cup entry fee’s to £10 ( from £9). There was a counter proposal from Etwall that league fee’s should be £20 and this was seconded by Kings Newton. Dave’s proposal for £23 was carried 20 votes to 4.
9. Secretaries Report – Prior to the meeting the secretary had emailed a copy of the league composition for the coming year to all clubs. Since the list was sent Marehay had contacted him and said that they wished to withdraw their ‘B’ team from the Over 55’s but enter a second team into the Wednesday Doubles. This would leave 9 teams in Division 2 of the Over 55’s and after various options to get back to 10 teams were discussed it was decided to leave it at 9. In the Wednesday Doubles Marehay ‘B’ would be placed into division 3 and Belper Pottery ‘B’ would be promoted to division 2. Prize money will be paid pro-rata to the number of teams in each League/ Division.
10. Honorariums – These were increased in 2018 and the Secretary and Treasurer said they were happy with what they received and were not looking for any increase.
11. League Fee’s - see item 8
12. Prize money – see item 8
13. County Report - Unfortunately neither Neil or Peter were able to attend the County AGM but Neil had obtained a letter from Glynn Holmes that explained decisions made at the meeting . This will be sent to all clubs by Glynn in due course but I have attached a copy for your information. The BCGBA AGM was postponed in January due to Covid and will now be held on 5th March. Peter explained that this meant that any proposed rule changes will not be known until after this date. He went on to say that most of the proposed rule changes were to do with the conduct of County matches and re-wording of rules to make them clearer. He said that the one change that would affect players in general would be the proposal to ‘ban’ open toed footwear during any matches under the jurisdiction of the BCGBA.
14. AOB – There being no other business the meeting was closed at 7:50pm