

Hinckley & District Air Rifle League

Minutes from Annual General Meeting held on 8th June, 2012 at Ashby Road Sports Club

1. **Roll-call**

All teams except Stoney Stanton represented

2. **Apologies**

None

3. **Previous Minutes**

Accepted

4. **Matters Arising**

None

5. **Treasurer's Report**

Year on year balance increased slightly, largely due to tight check kept on trophy costs for which the treasurer thanked Dave Harris.

Distributed balance sheet does not show cost of new league targets for which the treasurer apologised.

Chris Rose asked if the proposed 50th anniversary celebrations would require a fund and if so how much would be allocated. The chair, with support from the treasurer, said that it is hoped that any events would be self-financing.

5. **Secretary's Report**

Lorraine White thanked everyone for their help over the season, particularly since she took over the dual role of secretary and chairperson. She went on to congratulate the Bedworth Ex Servicemen's Club and in particular the Bend family for their many successes during the previous season.

6. **Rule changes**

None proposed

7. **Election of Officials**

Prior to conducting the election of officials the President thanked people for the support that led to his deciding to re-stand for the presidency after previously tendering his resignation.

All current incumbents retained their positions unopposed.

Position	Name	Proposed	Seconded
President	Pete Dainter	Fred Knowles	Norman Hall
Vice President	Norman Hall	Pete Dainter	Phil Steele
Chairperson	Lorraine White	Mick Sansome	Tony Overton
Secretary	Lorraine White	Rita Young-Jones	Paul Barwell
Treasurer	Matt Hall	Mollie Harris	Bill Bend
League Captain	Chris Rose	Norman Hall	Phil Steele
Trophies	Dave Harris	These positions were not voted on but each indicated their willingness to continue in their current roles	
Statistics	Richard White		
Fixtures	Richard White		
League books	Phil Steele		
Web Site/Press Reports	Mick Sansome		

8. **Any other business**

Stoney Stanton Club: Following the rumour concerning the closure of Stoney Stanton Club reported at April's monthly meeting someone asked if anything further had been discovered. Several people mentioned that the club still seemed to be trading and was still advertising tribute band nights in the local press. As there was no Stoney Stanton representative present nothing further was discussed.

50th Anniversary Celebrations – Open Shoot: After discussion amongst the members it was decided that it would be best to run this on a single day, preferably a Sunday, and chosen to avoid clashing with the Rushden League's open shoots. Pete Dainter proposed that he talk to Carolyn Turner (Ashby Road Club) to see if a suitable date could be established.

50th Anniversary Celebrations – Photographs: Lorraine White asked that long-standing shooters should look for old photographs of league events and members to be used in the celebrations.

The Committee: Fred Knowles asked whether there was any contingency in place should the league experience the same difficulties that it did this year where it “almost folded” due to the “committee resigning”. It was explained that this wasn’t the case as the league doesn’t have a committee as such, the monthly meetings performing that role. Two of the league’s officers (Chairman and President) did resign for personal reasons and though these did cause short term difficulties it was felt that the league had weathered the storm. Pete Dainter explained his reasons for resigning the role as President and his subsequent return to the role.

Individual Competitions: Bill Bend presented a proposal for the running of the League’s individual competitions, to be discussed at future meetings.

Shooting times: Chris Rose proposed that in order to reduce the length of matches each shooter should be allowed no more than three minutes to shoot all their shots. Richard White pointed out that this would require a rule change whilst Norman Hall voiced the opinion that the change over time between shooters was often greater than the actual shooting time. This was supported by several other members and mention was made that it should be each team captain’s responsibility to ensure that their next shooter be ready to go on as soon as the previous shooter has finished.

Target checks: Lorraine White asked why target checks are not being proposed for the start of the forthcoming season. Phil Steele explained that it had been agreed that targets would be checked by the two opposing captains at each team’s first home match.

League books: Phil Steele requested that any new content for the league books be sent to him as soon as possible.

Presentation Evening: This should follow the final league event. After discussion with Carolyn Turner a date of 16th May, 2013 was decided on.

Proposed fixtures: Richard White explained that the fixtures distributed to each team representative were provisional, particularly in respect of the inter town competitions where dates still needed to be discussed with representatives of the Nuneaton and Bedworth leagues. He went on to explain that he had scheduled the April 2013 meeting for the penultimate Friday of the month as the final Friday would be the Good Friday Bank Holiday. This was accepted by the meeting.

Meeting closed at 8:44

Next meeting 17th August, 2012