

BATH STREET MARINE TABLE TENNIS CLUB CIC

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – HELD ON WEDNESDAY 4th JUNE 2025 AT 7.30pm

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Donnelly, Grace Donnelly, Ray O’Leary, James Haskell, Ellis Haskell, Katherine Woods, Keith Dudley, Brian Crolley, Bobby Vint, Jean Price, Sue Young, Billy Smith, Doreen Smith, David Stodden, Julien Quirk, Richard Baxendale, Val Smith, Liz Neild , Jean Hale, Alan Hale, Tom Bell, Dave Aimson , Steve McCormick , Bob Wolstenholme, Lesley Blanchard, Herve Gillet , Steve Riley , Tony Mitchell , Sue Kirkwood , Rob Brazendale, Keith Hardman, Bernard Cooney, Ian Brownrigg, Jenny Givens , Andrew Armstrong.

Chairmans Introduction:

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm.

Good evening everybody and for those of you who have been to meetings before it’ll all sound the same. Thanks for coming to this, only the second AGM, of BSMTTC CIC in 2025.

It was at this point last year I spoke of coaching in general, I will leave that, this year, for our Club Secretary to update you.

I on behalf of the Committee wish to thank you for your continued understanding, allegiance, loyalty, and support of and to your/our club.

I’ve only a couple more things to say:

First:

I shall be setting out the format of the meeting so that we can be away from here as reasonably as possible. This will be my main function during the proceedings this evening.

Second:

The official stuff: you’ve had the first part my introduction and welcome. I will now go through the agenda, in brief:

We will, first of all, hear from our Club Secretary, of Apologies for Absence which I hope all will accept graciously.

Then we will discuss the minutes of the last AGM, which was held here on 5th June 2024; see our website. These have been on the club website for some time and a copy as always is posted on the notice board in the kitchen. There will not be, once again, paper copies distributed, cutting down on costs.

We will then discuss any matters arising from those minutes not covered by agenda items.

This will be followed by the Secretary’s report, then the Treasurer’s Report.

We then come to the Election of Officers, all of whom hold office from the date of appointment until the next AGM only. We will vote on these, post the reports. On the point of voting, you are all welcome to remain for the meeting BUT only members who are fully paid up will be eligible/allowed to vote.

Those that will be voting for are as follows:

For the CIC

The relevant document is the Articles of Association, a copy can be viewed from the Companies House website or the club Secretary has a copy. The Directors do not need to be re-elected (Keith, Ian and myself) but the three elected members to serve on the Management Board are subject to annual election (current three elected members are Andrew, Jenny, and Lesley) We have no need to elect a Chairman, Secretary or Treasurer.

Keith Hardman has taken over the role of Company Secretary. As he is already a director no further action needed. His appointment will be recorded as a minute of the Company Board Management.

For the Table Tennis (Private Members) Club

We do not need to elect a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer as these are Officers of the club but the only members of the club are currently Ian, myself and Keith who has been co-opted as Secretary of the club and that position must be ratified by this AGM.

There will be a resolution for the CIC AGM for members fees for 2025/26 but that will be covered in the Treasurers report.

For the Table Tennis (Private Members) Club continued

- a. President and Vice President: None. The new BSMTTC CIC requires neither a president, nor a Vice President as these are honorary positions we propose to leave the position vacant until the new CIC is established (up and running in all its glory we **must** continue to liaise with Marine AFC Ltd for this to happen).
- b. Chairman (current holder Bernard Cooney)
- c. Secretary (current holder Keith Hardman)
- d. Treasurer (current holder Ian Brownrigg)
- e. Auditor (current holder Tony Mitchell)
- f. Other committee members (Max 6) current members, Andrew Armstrong, Lesley Blanchard, Jenifer Givens.

We will then discuss the resolutions.

RESOLUTIONS TO BE OUTLINED, IN BRIEF, HERE.

RESOLUTION 1 - FOR AGM 5TH JUNE 2024 – SUBSCRIPTION RESOLUTION

This AGM determines the Annual Membership Fees for 2025/26 (1 May 2025-30 April 2026) to be:

Adults - £180

Juniors - £40 (U18)

Any adult becoming a new member of the club, or a returning member part way through the year may have their fee for the present year reduced by such sum as is equivalent to the number of months, including the month of joining, that have elapsed since the start of the year.

Any Junior becoming a new member of the Club, or a retaining member after 31st December of the year may have their fee for the present year reduced by 50%.

These fees to be paid for as follows:

1. Juniors - by a single payment to the club by 30th September 2025 or within 1 month of joining
2. Adults - Either
 - a. By Monthly Standing Order payments direct to the club bank account. (This is the preferred method).

OR

- b. By a single payment to the club by 30th September 2025 or within 1 Month of becoming a new member.

Further, the following fees shall be payable:

- c. Guests attending any session will be charged £5 per session attended, payable in full.
 - d. At the discretion of the Club Management Committee, a Guest League Player may participate in one of the club's teams in the L&DTTL at a fee of £60 per season. Such fee to be paid to and accounted for by the captain of the team. Such a participant will

not be regarded as a member of the club and will not be able to enjoy other benefits of membership.

Further personnel will appear as we appoint the Team Selection Committee

(Possible constitution: Chairman, Secretary, Fixture Secretary, and preceding years team captains)

All of this will be followed by A.O.B.

WE WILL NOW HEAR APPOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE FROM OUR CLUB SECRETARY

Apologies for Absence:

Colin Mitchell, Rick Peake, Jean Ross, Fred Bainbridge, Colin Carrington, Audrey Rogers, Richard Woodley, Neil Kilborn, Kate Kilborn, Dermot Tierney, Ronan Tierney, Mike Gill, Mal Kent, Barry Davis, Angela Simpkin, Roy Blair, Bobby Blair, Ian McElwee.

MINUTES OF AGM JUNE 5th 2024:

1. Matters arising: NONE

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

First of all, thank you all for attending this AGM and for your continuous support, as you all know Graham Turner resigned as club secretary at the end of January this year, with no one wishing to step into the roll I decided to carry on as Interim secretary 'til the end of this coming year so can only report from the beginning of February 'til present.

One of our problems within our club was lack of communication, it was difficult for our members to get in touch with one of our committee members either by a phone call, e-mail or simply printing something out, we've invested some of our funds with the introduction of our own phone, a WI-FI system, a laptop and a new printer; all relevant information i.e. clubhouse phone number, e-mail address and password can be found on our notice board.

One of our major concerns over the last 6 years has been Heating and Condensation problems, these have hopefully (fingers crossed) now been resolved but at a considerable cost. All the heaters were taken off the wall, these were getting damaged and the timers where being interfered with which meant that we couldn't keep the room at the right temperature to control the

condensation problem. A new heating system has been installed as everyone can see; the heaters are mounted at each end of the building at ceiling height so no one can interfere with the settings, all settings are on a special timer. We had a new anti-condensation system installed again at a considerable cost which, touch wood, has seemed to greatly improved our condensation problem. Lastly we had to have parts of our floor replaced because of water ingress into the wooden panels, this issue still requires some attention in the future along with the outside of this building; these hopefully will be addressed in the summer.

ON THE TEAM PLAYING SIDE OF THE CLUB

Most of our teams in the Liverpool Table Tennis League struggled this season for one reason or another: -

Div 1 – 1st Team finished half way

A - Team finished 2nd from bottom

Div 2 - Both B+C teams finished in bottom 3

Div 3 - Both D+E teams finished in bottom 2

Div 4 – Our Junior H team finished an EXCELLENT runner up; so, **really** well done to them. Our F team finished bottom though.

Div 5 – Both our I and Junior teams finished in bottom 2

We're hoping to re-group for next season and hopefully enjoy the campaign for 2025/26 season

WE DID have success in the Vets Competition winning for the 5th year running thanks to Colin Turner, Claire, and Steve. Well done!

We had some Individual success from our Juniors in different categories awarded by the Liverpool Table Tennis League:

1. Ronan Tierny won an award for MOST SETS won in Div4
2. Kai Morgan also a DIV4 Junior player won an award for MOST IMPROVED PLAYER

So, maybe we're going in the right direction.

Talking of the playing side of the club we must not forget to mention the Summer League that is now in operation. This very popular activity was

organised and set up for our members, by Sue Young; it's in its second year now, so, well done Sue.

We must give a very big thank you to our coaches; Dave Aimson, Steve McCormack, Ian McElwee, and James Haskill who provide us with coaching for our Adult and Junior members. Dave who has become quite a hit with his coaching class on a Thursday Morning 10:30 – 12:00, where an optional contribution of £3 gets invested back into your club and used for updating equipment etc. Dave he has also introduced other guests that help out time and again, a big thanks to Steve McGing, Julien Quirk and Monica Coogan, Since June 2024 there has been around 15-25 members at the coaching sessions who have benefited from being coached and more members still joining WELL DONE!

Last but by no means least, a BIG thank you to our clubhouse cleaning volunteers; Doreen Smith who keeps all our tea towels nice and clean, and for Lesley Blanchard, Bob Wolstenholme, Jean Price and Bobby Vint who spend a couple of hours every Sunday cleaning the club.

This is the end of my stint as **INTERIM** SECRETARY, delivering my report. I'd like to thank the committee members for their support in the last 4 months and thank you the members for your continued support for me and your/our club.

TREASURERS REPORT: -

AGM Financial report (1st May 2024 - 30th April 2025)

Good evening everyone and thank you for attending this year's Annual General Meeting.

I'd like to take a few minutes to talk you through our financial performance for the year ending 30th April 2025.

We had an income for the year of £21,689.03p, the bulk of that came from member subscriptions, which brought in £17,480.50p, thank you to all our members for your continued support. Membership remains our main source of income, and this year we had 97 adult members and 24 Juniors. Our membership doesn't remain static throughout the year, we had 7 adults leave and 10 new adult members join us, which shows that we're continuing to attract new people to the club. That's slightly down from last year when we had 101 adults and 37 Juniors.

We also raised money through guests' fees, donations made to the club, fundraising events, and the sale of refreshments and merchandise. It's worth mentioning that refreshments alone brought in £1,390.73p, which continues to be a reliable source of extra income. We also earned £896.80p in bank interest, and I'm pleased to say we generated £648.50p from coaching fees, which I'll come back to in a moment.

On the expenditure side, we spent £26,864.33p over the year. That means we ended the year with a loss of £5,175.30p. This is the first loss we've recorded in six years, and it reflects some major improvements and investments made this year.

Now I want to reassure everyone that although we recorded a loss this year we've made some important and deliberate investments.

A large portion of our spending £19,310.79p went towards premises running costs. These included essential works such as:

- New Heaters, costing £4,206.30p
- Major floor repairs, at £3,052.32p
- Flooring materials, totalling £1,179.89p

We also spent £2,301.14p on professional fees, which mainly relate to the Legal costs involved in setting up our new Community Interest Company, a significant step for the club's future.

On a more positive note, one of the more notable savings we've made is in our electricity costs, which dropped from £9,160.09p last year to just £3,829.06p this year, a reduction of over £5,300p. That's a huge improvement and a direct result of the energy saving measures we've taken.

We also invested in IT equipment costing £696.38p to support our operations. And while these outgoings have had an impact on this year's bottom line they position us well for the years ahead.

Before I close, I want to give a special thanks to Dave Aimson who took the initiative to set up the Thursday morning Adult Coaching sessions. He's been ably supported by Steve McCormick and Julian Quirk, and together they've generated £648.50p in new income for the club. More importantly it's brought new life and activity to the club during those sessions, which is just as valuable as the financial return.

I'd also like to offer a sincere thank you to Jenny Givens for all her hard work in recording and collating the financial details and for her continued support throughout the year. Jenny's efforts have made it so much easier to track our position and make informed decisions.

To sum up: yes we've had a loss this year but it's a controlled and necessary one. We've invested in our future, improving our facilities, strengthening our structure yes a C.I.C and building new sources of income. We're on a stable path and with you continued support we're confident about the year ahead.

Thank You.

Please note: The accounts presented have not yet been audited.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: -

Chairman – Bernard Cooney

Secretary – Keith Hardman

Treasurer - Ian Brownrigg

Committee Members

Jenny Givens

Andrew Armstrong

Lesley Blanchard

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR: -

Tony Mitchell

ALL VOTED IN UNANIMOUSLY

SUBSCRIPTIONS COMING YEAR: -

See Resolution One – which was voted on, agreed and accepted unanimously.

A.O.B:

A vote of thanks for the past and currently serving committee members was called for from the floor (Doreen Smith). This was ratified.

A question was raised about a Summer League/Internal Club, Summer Competition: if someone volunteers to organise and run one then it'll take place. Nobody came forward at this juncture.

A question was raised about club fund raisers: it was explained that the committee are in the process of searching for suitable venues that will be provided free of charge – ongoing.

The chair made the meeting aware of the potential for a sponsorship deal in the future There are limited details; so, this will be raised again at the next committee meeting and members will be advised accordingly.

THE CHAIRMAN CLOSED THE MEETING AT 20:25