



## **CROQUET NORTH**

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### **Minutes of Annual General Meeting, 9th March 2019 at Tyneside CC**

*This meeting made extensive reference to many reports and papers, some of which are issued with these minutes. Copies of others can be made available. The CN Newsletter will be issued to all in the coming weeks.—Hon. Sec.*

**Present—** Charles Waterfield (Chairman today), David Millener, Derek Johnson, Eric Nixon, Terry Vernazza, John Fitzpatrick, Phil Errington (Belsay), Jackie Errington (Belsay), Nigel Martin (Durham), Derek Gerrard (Alnmouth), Julian Gibson (Middlesbrough), Jane Pringle (Auckland).

**Apologies** for absence were received from Dennis Scarr, Roger Staples, Roger Carpenter, John Howie, Eugene Brady, Jamie Edgar.

**Minutes of last year's AGM** were agreed.

**Matters Arising—**None

**Secretary's Report —**(Copy attached). This includes summaries from club and League Manager reports. (Report will also be published in the CN Newsletter.)

**CA Representative's Report.**—(Copy attached). Charles Waterfield presented. Eric Nixon asked 'who are the 3 other non-voting members'? Charles was unsure but would follow up and report back.

**-CGW**

Regarding the postage costs for delivery of the Gazette, Derek Gerrard suggested that it would be cheaper to send as a batch to Club Secretaries. Subsequent discussion rejected this after a final comment that copies may not get to all members —(and not as timely!)

#### **Development Report—**

John Fitzpatrick had concentrated on supporting the work being done by the CA Development Officer, Dave Gunn—club matters workshops, website offerings etc.

**2018 Accounts —**The accounts with supporting explanations had been distributed by Derek Johnson. Phil Errington proposed acceptance, seconded by John Fitzpatrick and carried by those attending. The audited accounts were therefore accepted. There was a small deficit (£26) on the years activities, as had been expected.

**Election of Officers & Committee for 2019/20**—The CN Committee Meeting held in February submitted the following nominees (as per AGM Agenda).

Chairman	Dennis Scarr—Middlesbrough
Secretary	David Millener—Belsay and Tyneside
Treasurer	Derek Johnson—Tyneside and Belsay
AC League Manager	Julian Gibson—Middlesbrough
GC League Manager	Derek Johnson—Tyneside and Belsay

No further nominations were received. The above were appointed.

Election of independent person to verify accounts —David Appleton.

*(Club appointed representatives are John Howie (Alnmouth), Terry Vernazza (Tyneside), Eric Nixon (Belsay), Roget Carpenter (Durham), Eugene Brady (Auckland). (Bamburgh and Middlesbrough chose not to take up their vacancy at this time.)*

**Plans for Leagues and Championships**—Dennis Scarr had updated the AC and EP League Rules for 2019 and these are now being circulated. Proposed match dates to be issued. **DS/JG**

Derek Johnson has updated GC League Rules, which have been issued to club contacts and will appear in the Newsletter. Two extra teams, compared with last year, will play in the GC Div 2 league. GC Championships will be held over 1 or 2 days under handicap conditions. Ripon will be the only non CN club to join the new Northern League.

**Plans for other Events** A draft Fixtures List was reviewed. Details have been added to the new CN website. League match dates will be added when communicated to Nigel. Dates known to John Fitzpatrick will be included in the in the CN Newsletter.

**Development Plans-** John Fitzpatrick has arranged for Dave Gunn to make a presentation about Club Matters Workshops to both CN and Club representatives in Newcastle on 28th March. Jane Pringle informed the meeting that Auckland CC had interest in the CA website offering.

**Budget Proposals for 2019-** No formal budget but objective is to end the year with a small deficit. *Capitation fee expected to be £1 per club member.*

**AOB** —Nigel Martin, who is now CN's Webmaster, advised that he was making good progress with the development of the new website. CN's domain name will be maintained and transferred for use with the new website soon. (Domain registration is expected to be about £10 per year. Future hosting costs will be born by the CA).

**Date of next AGM—Saturday —7th March 2020.**

**David Millener---Hon. Secretary**

12th March 2019

distribution list follows

**DISTRIBUTION of CN 2019 AGM Minutes** —3 pages plus attachments  
Secretary's Report  
CA Representative's Report.

**Committee 2018/19**

Dennis Scarr	Chairman
David Millener	Secretary
Derek Johnson	Treasurer
Julian Gibson	AC League Manager
Derek Johnson	GC League Manager
Roger Staples	Coaching Officer
John Fitzpatrick	Development Officer
Charles Waterfield	CA Representative
John Howie	Ordinary Member--Alnwick
Eugene Brady	Ordinary Member—Auckland
Eric Nixon	Ordinary Member--Belsay Hall
Roger Carpenter	Ordinary Member--Durham
Terry Vernazza	Ordinary Member--Tyneside

**Webmaster**

Nigel Martin

**Trustees**

Eric Nixon, Roger Staples, Charles Waterfield.

**Club Secretaries**

John Howie  
Jane Pringle  
Seonaidh Edgar  
David Millener (acting)  
Madeleine Carpenter  
Charles Waterfield  
Peter Lowe

**Club Chairmen**

Derek Gerrard  
Jane Pringle  
Jamie Edgar  
David Millener  
Roger Carpenter  
Dennis Scarr  
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