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## Minutes of ECM Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2024 8pm at The Falcon, Waterlooville

**Attended by:** MJ Etherington, Rob Beacher, Mark Trotter (Secretary), Chris King (Chairperson), Adam Goodyear

**Apologies:** Mick Hall (Treasurer, Fixtures & Competition Secretary)

### Minutes of Last Meeting

Agreed by Committee.

### 1 Key Dates:

**AGM – 22 July** at The Falcon at 20:00. Mandatory for all teams representatives to attend. £10 fine applied to any team that does not attend.

**Registration Deadline for Teams and Players – 19<sup>th</sup> August.** Submit to any committee member or to Rob at the Falcon on or before 20:00 on 21<sup>st</sup> August.

SGM – 2 September. Teams are not required to attend. The Committee will agree league format (number of divisions) depending upon entries received and also fixture list production and checking

Estimated Season Start – 17<sup>th</sup> September

Competition entries deadline – 23<sup>rd</sup> September

### 2 Proposals received for AGM which will require votes on the night by all existing teams.

Change of rules from current World Rules to Black Ball rules. The committee SUPPORTS this request.

Players to be Drawn or Captains Choice for league. Both options have been suggested. The committee has no view on this and it is up to the teams to decide.

Players to be Drawn or Captains Choice for Cup. Both options have been suggested. The committee supports a draw.

Adopt 5 players only per team being needed for the league ie all players could play twice (if 10 singles proposal adopted). The committee does not support this on the basis it will make strong teams stronger



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and also would mean that team would be able to have players playing 3 times in the event of 8+2 remaining as the format as a minimum of 6 is required for that format.

Adopt 5 players only per team being needed for the cup. The committee does not support this as we would like both cup and league to follow the same minimum numbers. Today we have 7 for cup and 6 for league so this is a chance to be consistent.

Adopt 10 singles for league matches in place of 8 singles and 2 doubles. The committee does NOT Support this request.

Adopt 10 singles for Cup matches in place of 7 singles and 2 doubles. The committee Supports this request as this helps the cup to be different from the league format. In the event of a draw both teams are to select 3 players each for a random draw to pick one player from each team which will be actioned by the captains. This will form a sudden death match to decide the winner.

If Doubles remain change to Scotch Doubles format. The committee has no view on this.

No requirement for committee members to be ratified every 3 years. The committee supports this on the basis that at last years AGM it was agreed the committee can change the constitution. It is hard to get committee members so this is counter intuitive. If any team or member has an issue with the committee or a specific committee member they should write in so the committee can address and if the issue is serious enough then they should raise it for a vote at the AGM

- 3 **New Teams:** The committee would like to ask venues and captains and all players to reach out to any potential new teams. We currently have xx teams but are conscious that if we lose any it becomes hard to replace teams once they are gone so any new teams please ask them to contact [marktrotter@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:marktrotter@hotmail.co.uk).
- 4 **Vacancy on the committee:** We are down to only 6 permanent committee members and we need help in order to ensure we can continue to operate. The committee would like to ask anyone interested in joining the committee to approach Mark Trotter via email or text or via the website. Please note there is a maximum of 2 people allowed per team on the committee.
- 5 **Please use the website as your first port of call for any information:** The website [Meon Valley Pool League](#) is fully operational and should be your first port of call for all information including results, tables, forms, meeting minutes, venue and captain details etc. Many questions are being asked for information



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that is on the website. A lot of effort goes into maintaining the website and so please use this before contacting the committee.

- 6 Next meeting will be at **The Falcon** at 20:00 on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024 and is the AGM which all teams must have a representative in attendance. Note this does not need to be the captain but they need to be in a position to vote on behalf of the team.