

## **BARROW CHESS CLUB**

The minutes of the 131<sup>st</sup> AGM of the Barrow Chess Club held at the British Legion Club, Holker Street, Barrow-in-Furness on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2015.

### **MEMBERS PRESENT.**

T R Blower, D Cole, G H Horne, T Kirby, D Miller, M Mackenzie, D Martin, J Woodburn, M Gawne, A Llewellyn & F Whalley.

Dave Cole opened the meeting and the minutes of the 130<sup>th</sup> A.G.M. were read and accepted. There was an amendment request by Jim Woodburn that the number of books missing should have been 29 not 39.

### **CHAIRMANS REPORT.**

Dave Cole reported that the season had been steady despite slightly fewer club members. Cumbria membership has gone down from 97 to 80, which includes ECF members. ECF fees have increased by an extra £2 and now have an internet feedback page. The NCCU Individuals could be held at the next South Lakes, which was awarded ECF congress of the year for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time. The Cumbria Individuals are due to be held in Ulverston. The League has now abolished team nominations and postal voting.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Martin Gawne reported that the membership was down to 18 Adults including casual members. Three teams played in the Cumbria league, Barrow finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Weekend division. The A & B teams finished 1<sup>st</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> respectively in the Midweek division. Four players played for Cumbria in the u160 section of the NCCU County Championship.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

George Horne reported that there has been an increase in expenditure resulting in a ~~decreased surplus~~ loss of £37.25 and a closing bank balance of £438.91. He recommended the purchase of two extra digital clocks and that club subscriptions to remain as they were. Both proposals were accepted. ECF ~~£12~~ 15 or £14 if joined on-line and Club fees £10.

### **LIBRARIANS REPORT**

Jim Woodburn reported that although there have been no additional books, some magazines have been donated. There were still a few books missing, and he added that borrowed books need recording. We now have 389 books and the library was functioning well.

### **INTERNAL COMPETITIONS**

Trevor Blower reported that the Major competition was an all play ~~all~~ which had a much better turnout with just 2 defaults from 153 games. The ladder was a good competition contested by 3 main players battling for the top. All other competitions had run without problems. Martin Gawne proposed the idea of a random draw for the Summer League for all rounds. Dave Cole explained that with software, this can only be done for the first round.

This proposal was therefore modified and was accepted. Tony Kirby proposed that the Pairs competition should be random (anyone can be paired with anyone), but this was declined.  
**PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES and HONOURS**

Major Champion	Matthew Mackenzie
Major Runner up	Dave Cole
Minor Champion	Chris Underhill
KO Champion	Matthew Mackenzie
Lightening Cup	Matthew Mackenzie
Summer League	Dave Cole
Minor Summer League	Trevor Blower
Pairs	Jim Woodburn & Marcus Barré
Ladder	Trevor Blower
Averages	Frank Whalley

### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Chairman	Dave Cole
Secretary	Martin Gawne
Treasurer	George Horne
Internal Comps	Trevor Blower
Librarian	Jim Woodburn
Auditor	Martin Gawne

### **TEAMS**

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### **AOB**

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Martin Gawne, Hon. Sec.