**MINUTES OF THE ROTHAY LEAGUE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 28 NOVEMBER AT 7 pm AT AMBLESIDE BOWLING CLUB**

**Present**

Sue Todd (Chairman). Peter Milner (Treasurer), Jeff Harris (President), Joanne Stonehouse (MB Administrator). Representatives attended were from: Allithwaite, Ambleside, Bowness, Burneside, Coniston, Crosthwaite, Hawkshead, Levens, Lower Holker, Staveley and Windermere

**Apologies**

Maggie Moseley (Lindale), Julie Johnson (Staveley), Graham Belcher (Coniston)

**Chairman’s Remarks**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Ambleside Bowling Club for hosting the meeting. Asked the attendees to stand for a minute’s silence in memory of bowlers who had passed away during the year

**Minutes of the 2022 AGM**

Circulated and on the Rothay Leaque website. Signed as a correct record

**Matters arising**

None

**Treasurer’s Report**

The balance sheet was handed out. The closing balance this year was slightly down by approximately £80 which the Treasurer did not feel was a cause for concern at this time. The Chairman pointed out that she had purchased score cards for the league and so that expenditure would not appear for many years.

**Adoption of the Reports**

Proposed by George Swanick (Crosthwaite) and seconded by Alan Gilpin (Windermere). Carried by the meeting

**Notice of Motion**

A proposal from the officers of the League under the Constitution Rules – Finance. Delete the first sentence and replace with **“All clubs must pay any fees at the latest by 31 March each year. Failure to comply will result in the club being suspended from all league games for that season”.**

Proposed – Jeff Harris; Seconded – Alan Gilpin and passed unanimously

**League Structure**

The Chairman was delighted that Windermere were able to field a second team in 2024 and this would go into Division 2. The Chairman hoped that in future years more clubs would be able to take part and make both divisions larger in number

**Election of Officers**

President – Jeff Harris

Chairman – Sue Todd

Treasurer – Peter Milner

MB Administrator – Joanne Stonehouse

Representatives for Cumbria County – Linda Britnell and Bernard Tebay

All the above were proposed, seconded and passed

**Dates of League Events**

Agreed to start the leagues as follows:

First Division – Monday 6 May

Second Division – Monday 22 April

Individual Merit Competitions – confirmed as Sunday 1 September, venue – Burneside Bowling Club

**Presentations 2023**

Presentations were made as follows:

**Division One**

Winners – Windermere

Runner up – Levens

**Division Two**

Winners – Ambleside B

Runners up – Crosthwaite

**Division 1 Merits**

Winner - Paul Kissock, Windermere

Runner up – Daniel Monks, Windermere

**Division 2 Merits**

Winner – John Dodd, Ambleside B

Runner up – Alan Wilson, Ambleside

Congratulations were given to Angela Athersmith, winner of Division One Merit competition and Dan Nevinson, winner of Division Two Merit competition, both of which were held at Staveley Bowling Club in September

**Any other business**

Roy Wilson enquired as why there was no longer a team competition. The answer was that any interest had declined several years ago but should the majority of teams which to reinstate this competition, it will be considered

Alan Gilpin has once again put together a calendar of bowling competitions in the county which is much appreciated

Sue Todd stated that as several clubs had not received their “Open Cpompetition” Certificate from the BCGBA, she had, via the British Ladies section put in a notice of motion for the AGM in January that these should be issued via the county associations

The meeting closed at 7.33 pm