

North Yorkshire Short Mat Bowling Association

Minutes of 34TH AGM

April 25th, 2025, 7pm

1. Attendees

Joseph Newsome (chairman), Rod Dawson (vice chairman and Tornadoes captain), Judith Fearn(ssecretary), Roger Green(treasurer), Robert Mumford (competition secretary), Jill Newsome (safeguarding officer), Chris Prendergast(Tigers captain) Pat Jones(Terriers captain)David Randon(membership secretary) from the ManCom Committee.

Club Members

Church Fenton-David Herbert

Crossgates-Mike Carter

Easingwold-Freddie Alnutt, Gill Alnutt, Keith Hughes, Joyce Hughes, Arthur Jackson, David Brown

Great Ouseburn-Caroline Harris

Hambleton-Heather Robertson

Scarborough- Tony Raven

Selby WMC-Geoff Whitehead

Snaith and Cowick- Joan Chappell, Joan Gibbs

Wilberfoss-Ken Douthwaite, Sue Douthwaite

Wolds-Pete Arthur, Jean Bridges

Tollerton-Ian Galtrey

11 clubs represented and along with members of ManCom committee, 19 votes are available with the Chairman having the casting vote.

Before the business commenced the Chairman asked all those attending to stand for a minute's silence to remember those members who had passed away over the last 12 months.

2. Apologies

Easingwold- Jonathan Dawson

Stewart-Maggie Hawkett

3. Minutes of the 33rd AGM-these were proposed as a true record by PA and seconded by SD. ALL agreed and they were duly signed by the Chairman.
4. Matters arising from previous minutes-none raised.
5. Annual officers' reports-JoN presented the Tornados Captain's report. All the rest had been previously been circulated to all clubs for their perusal and no matters were raised. JiN noted an omission on her report and this was amended.
6. Finance-the accounts (previously circulated) were presented by the treasurer and explained. They have now been verified by the accounts checker to be correct. There were no questions and the accounts were accepted. It was proposed by ManCom to donate to Yorkshire Air Ambulance, as in previous years, the sum of £100. DH seconded the proposal, and it was agreed unanimously.
7. Election of officers for 2025/2026-PA proposed that this was done en bloc and it was seconded by GW. This was carried unanimously. The 2025/2026 officers were then unanimously re-elected.
8. Appointees for 2025/2026-

Accounts checker- Paul Whitcombe will not be standing for this role for the coming year and he was thanked by the chairman for his contribution over previous years. No one has come forward for this role so all clubs were requested to ask their members if anyone is interested and to let the secretary know.

Webmaster-Roger Green. RG informed the AGM that this will be his final year in this position and interest in the role had been expressed by PA. The chairman thanked PA for his interest and hoped he would shadow RG over the coming 12 months.

ManCom, having decided to take back control of the diary, thanked AJ for his numerous years of service which had begun when he sat on the ManCom committee. AJ asked numerous questions regarding the dissolution of a diary coordinator to which the chairman answered concisely.
9. Proposals.

Fees and allowances.

The secretary has previously circulated a revision of this document proposed by the ManCom committee. CH seconded the document and no questions were raised. There was 1 abstention so the proposal was carried.

10. Open Forum

- RM suggested that the County should consider rejoining the ICCT.

Numerous questions were raised

PA are players allowed to play in both? answer yes

MC are there enough weekends available in the diary? Answer possibly

CP why did we pull out previously? Answer travelling distance

FA how many matches involved? Answer 7 always possibility of up to 10

PA suggested that ManCom put a document together for all players to consider and give their opinions. ACTION ManCom

- MC wanted to make the ManCon aware of the need for some venues to be booked well in advance (12-18 mths) and please would they take this into consideration when doing the diaries. This was noted by the committee.
- TR was concerned that YLN would suffer if the county pursued ICCT as he was led to believe no weekends were available. This had been said at a previous meeting when additional teams for YLN were discussed. He was reassured that no one was trying to sabotage YLN
- TR asked why the Tigers Captain had cancelled the Staffordshire match due to lack of players when he felt he hadn't been asked. CP informed the meeting he only had 14 players, and TR was counted in that number as he had already given his availability.
- JB requested reassurance that in county competitions no team would be expected to play 4 consecutive games without a break as it was a disadvantage to those teams. RM apologised and he will endeavour to avoid this in future ACTION RM
- DR brought to the attention of clubs that the ESMBA's recent change in recommended insurers and the deal they have procured will necessitate clubs having 8 full members. Last year some movement of dual membership players had to take place to comply with insurance regulations and he

anticipates this will be necessary in the coming year. He will inform those clubs concerned ACTION DR

- AJ requested clarification that there would be no refunds for county competitions starting in season 25/26. This was confirmed by the committee.
- DH asked if grey trousers were being replaced by black trousers for county games. This was confirmed by the chairman.

11. Date and time of next meeting. This was confirmed as being 24/4/2025 at 7pm at the Galtres Centre
The meeting concluded at 2004 hrs.