**Kendal and District Table Tennis League**

**Minutes of Management Team Meeting – 19.30, 3 Dec 2020, by Zoom**

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| ***Present –*** Peter Leahy (PL) (Chair), Mick Taylor (MT) (Sec), Norman Philbey (NP), Phil Swift (PS), Martin Wakelin (MW), Mike Sunderland (MS), Jeff Pimblett (JP), Bryan Rhodes (BR).***Apologies***  Chris Knowles (CK), Bob Gale (BG), Tony March (TM).1. ***Minutes of previous Management Team meeting (12 March 2020) and matters arising***
* The minutes have been distributed and were taken as read.
* Item 3. The taster session at Natland for Castle Park juniors had not been progressed due to Covid,
* Item 5. No proposals for rule changes received.
* Item 6. No face to face courses on Safeguarding at present. MT will investigate on line courses.

 1. ***Latest Covid Rules***
* Tier 2 (Cumbria): Bubbles of 2 only permitted, so no matches possible at present. Multiple bubbles of 2 can be in the same hall together, but they must not mix.
* Tier 3 (Lancashire): Play only possible with someone from the same household.
* Tiers 2 and 3: U18s can play in a bubble of 15.
* Natland are re-starting club nights next week, playing in pairs as above.
* Crook are doing likewise, starting tomorrow.
* Burton cannot start seniors yet. MW is seeking advice on whether he can travel from Tier 3 to Tier 2, to restart juniors perhaps after Christmas.
* Kirkby Stephen and Grayrigg have decided to close until September 2021, although they may play friendlies when permitted.
* Dallam will hold practice sessions in pairs. Norman is doing occasional one to one coaching with juniors.
1. ***League Fixtures***
* Agreed to leave them as scheduled for now. Little point re-scheduling at present, although we may need to do that later, when we can resume play.
* Stephen Baxendale has suggested running the League as a single venue multi match event over a weekend (when permitted).
* The present situation is an opportunity to examine how we run the League and perhaps do things differently. PL will draft out a questionnaire to distribute to all League members early in the new year, to seek their views. MS could present this on a Google Form.
1. ***Divisional Shield and KO Cup***
* In abeyance at the moment, draws not done and no matches played. It may not be possible to run them this season, or alternatively it may be convenient to play only these competitions.
1. ***Handicaps***
* None done yet. Wait and see.
1. ***Proposed new Third Division***
* There is still enthusiasm for this as it is vital for League growth. Teams of two preferred. Cannot be progressed at present.
1. ***Juniors (MS)***
* Nothing to report at present. Nothing can go ahead due to Covid restrictions.
* TTE are encouraging MS to get a coaching license, with a cost of approx £29. It was agreed the League would pay this.
1. ***AOB***
* Sadly, the two nearby TT centres of excellence, Garstang and Bishop Aukland, are both faltering and in danger of closing. At Garstang, Graham Coupe has retired, whilst the coach at Bishop Aukland has taken a post with TT Wales.
* MS reported that Jake Haygarth is now at a residential table tennis school near Grantham. He will be there for 2 years.

The meeting closed at 20.30. ***Distribution*** All League members (by email). | ***Action******MT******PL, MS******MS*** |