

ABERDEEN AND DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION

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20 May 2022

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – MONDAY 30 MAY 2022

AT 7.15PM IN THE SEMINAR ROOM, ABERDEEN SPORTS VILLAGE, ABERDEEN

Please find herewith the Agenda for the Annual General Meeting to be held on Monday 30 May 2022 at 7.15pm in the Seminar Room at Aberdeen Sports Village, Linksfield Road, Aberdeen, AB24 5RU along with a copy of the Minutes from the 2021 AGM.

The four reports listed on the Agenda (items 5 - 8) will be available to view on the ADTTA website during week commencing Monday 23 May 2022.

All awards for league and cup winners will be presented at the AGM so please ensure there is a representative from your team to collect any silverware. **Please also ensure that any perpetual trophies are brought along to the meeting, or returned to a Committee Member in advance.**

The Association earnestly requests that each team be represented at the meeting, as it is your opportunity to express your views on the organisation and future development of table tennis in Aberdeen District.

Please bring the enclosed information to the meeting, as there will be only a limited number of copies available for distribution.

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10. Other Outstanding Business from Season 2021/2022, including:
 - a) Presentation of Trophies
 - b) Honoraria
11. Election of Committee
12. Appointment of Auditors
13. Hand over to new Executive Committee
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The Annual General Meeting of the Association was held online via Microsoft Teams on Thursday 9 December 2021. All documentation, including the Agenda, Minutes from the previous AGM and Office Bearers' reports were available to view and download from the ADTTA website prior to the meeting.

The following people were present:

Dave Curry	Chairman	Ian Mitchell
Donald Pirie	Vice Chairman	Andy Keith
Alison Woods	Secretary	Craig Blackhall
Brian Robertson	Treasurer	Catherine Inverarity
Chris Davenport	Match Secretary	Uwe Petermann
Gregor Ksiazek	Committee	Graham Boyne
Max Singer	Committee	Neil Buckley
Ross Martin		Vytautas Svedas
Robbie Martin		

1. Apologies for Absence:

Apologies were received from Natalie Gallan, Mark Brown, George Bews, Nigel Herbert, Doug Seller, Charlie Flint, Dick Ferro and Yasser Qureshi.

2. Adoption of Minutes of 2020 AGM:

These had been distributed and approved. Adoption proposed by Andy Keith and seconded by Ross Martin.

3. Matters Arising:

There were no matters arising.

4. Chairman's Opening Remarks:

Dave Curry thanked those present for attending this virtual AGM and also the EC for their efforts during the time of the pandemic as members may be unaware of work that has gone on behind the scenes even though there has been no competitive play. Most of the time meetings were held via Zoom although we have recently held a couple of face-to-face meetings.

Dave thanked Gregor Ksiazek, Chris Davenport and Alison Woods for their work in organising the hard bat event which is due to take place this weekend at Woodbank.

5. Secretary's Report:

Alison Woods spoke briefly on the content of her report which was much shorter than normal due to the fact that there had been no competitive activities during the 2020/21 season. Coaching did resume as and when restrictions allowed and the postponed Scottish National Championships took place on the weekend of 23/24 October 2021 with two local youngsters taking titles – Daniel Tibbetts in the U13 Boys and Maja Wojcicka in the U13 Girls.

6. Match Secretary's Report:

Chris Davenport advised there was no need for a report as there had been no league activities during season 2020/21. Play for the current season started slightly later but things seem to be going pretty well. Thanks to the efforts of Gregor Ksiazek a new handicap system has been introduced and there have been a lot of competitive matches. Chris added that he was confident we will get through the season without too much trouble, Covid permitting.

7. Financial Report:

Brian Robertson had prepared the Treasurer's Report and a detailed Income and Expenditure Statement for the year ended 30 April 2021 and he advised the meeting that, due to the lack of any activities, there were only 14 transactions during the period. Brian thanked Mark Brown and Derek Green for carrying out the audit which was done remotely.

On the income side there were two major items of funding received - £8,000 being the third tranche of DCI funding from SportScotland and £7,000 in respect of an Awards for All Equipment grant which was used to purchase 10 new tables which are currently in situ at ASV.

Brian reminded members that all funded development grants are ring-fenced and are therefore, by necessity, shown separately on the I&E statement. Although all monies go through the same bank account this helps give a clearer position of the Association's own financial position. At the end of April 2021 the Association's own funds stood at just over £7,600 slightly up on the previous year.

Ross Martin asked about the DCI income and whether there was a time frame for utilising this. Brian advised that the initial project was for four years however SportScotland are very relaxed about the time frame and are happy to extend the deadline which is very common in sport. Ross congratulated the EC for their success in receiving development funding.

Andy Keith asked about the balances on the ring-fenced projects. Brian explained that there are a few of these which need to be completed and that we are keen to restart the DCI initiative in the new year, Covid permitting.

8. Development Report:

Max Singer said there was not much to report on the development front. Coaching sessions have restarted however it has been difficult to get numbers back up to what they were before although things have started to pick up now and there are a few young players who look very promising. A small squad travelled to Dundee to compete at the Scottish Primary Schools Championships recently and the youngsters performed better than expected with three qualifying to represent Scotland at the British Championships which take place next Easter in Guernsey.

Max thanked Donald Pirie for his work in securing the Awards for All Grant for the new tables at ASV.

9. Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and Rules:

Chris Davenport spoke on the proposed amendments to the Constitution which came from the EC as there seems to be a conflict on honoraria in relation to if the Association required to be wound up.

Section removed from 4 – Membership

No portion of the income and property of ADTTA shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly, by way of dividend, distribution, bonus, honoraria or otherwise by way of profit to the members.

Section added to 8 – Financial Governance

No portion of the income and property of ADTTA shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly, by way of dividend, distribution, bonus, honoraria or otherwise by way of profit to the members. Offers of honoraria, approved by the membership at the AGM are permitted. Eligible

posts for honoraria are: Secretary, Treasurer, Match Secretary, Development Officer.

Section added to 12 – Dissolution

In the event of dissolution of ADTTA no portion of the income and property of ADTTA shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly, by way of dividend, distribution, bonus, honoraria or otherwise by way of profit to members.

Brian Robertson added that this is basically just a tidying up exercise.

There were no dissenting voices therefore Dave Curry declared that the proposed amendments had been adopted.

10. Other Outstanding Business from 2020/2021:

a) Presentation of Outstanding Trophies:

No awards were presented for season 2020/21.

b) Honoraria:

Dave Curry advised the meeting that the four Office Bearers did not wish to accept an honorarium for season 2020/21.

11. Election of Committee:

The members of the EC indicated that they were willing to continue in their positions and this was accepted by the meeting.

Chairman – Dave Curry, Vice-Chairman – Donald Pirie, Secretary – Alison Woods
Treasurer – Brian Robertson, Match Secretary – Chris Davenport
Development Officer – Dick Ferro
EC Members – Max Singer, Natalie Gallan, Gregor Ksiazek, Gavin Elliot, Lewis Forbes

Brian emphasised that we welcome any new members who wished to join us on the EC.

12. Appointment of Auditors:

Brian advised that both Mark Brown and Derek Green are happy to continue as auditors.

13. Hand over to new Executive Committee:

14. Any Business Relating to Season 2021/2022:

- a) Brian said we would consider, and want to hold, a North Confined this season however it is unlikely that we will stage a North Open. Chris said that we may possibly run a few banded tournaments at Woodbank however all of this is Covid dependent at the moment and it is a case of wait and see. Catherine suggested holding a tournament towards the end of the season. It was also mentioned that a finals night at ASV might not be as easy to do.

15. Any Other Competent Business:

- a) Max thanked the volunteers and coaches who help at sessions at ASV – all the success of our youngsters is down to their invaluable efforts.
- b) Andy Keith asked whether there was any development planned for disability players. Dave said there had been a tournament held at ASV in September and some of our volunteers went along to help out. However there has been no-one who has been able to fill his Dad's (George Keith) boots. Max said that he, Dick Ferro and Gavin Elliot helped at the ParaSport Festival and said it was very enjoyable. Donald added that this is in our development plans and is something we need to do, without question. The EC will be definitely be looking at this during the season.

Catherine Inverarity said she has been coaching some of the players – Alex, Stephen and Kara – with a view to them going to a competition in Manchester although there has been no date set yet as to when this will go ahead. Catherine said that Max has been letting players go down at the end of the ASV Tuesday sessions for more practice.

Donald said that Alison Shaw of Disability Sport uses ASV for all events and when things return to a semblance of normality she may be able to help us develop more regular sessions. Brian added that a meeting is scheduled to take place with ASV in late January and this might be worth adding to the Agenda.

There being no other business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and contributing and closed the meeting at 8.10pm.

Signed *Alison Woods*..... (Secretary)