

Congleton Pool League

Chairman: Mr R. Moreton
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Promotions Officers: Miss K. White

Team Reps: Mr H. Crain, Mr S. Wright, Mr M. Smith, Mr J. Wills

Committee Meeting

Held at Bulls Head Monday 16th September 2019 7pm

Present: S. Byron, E. Hancock, H. Crain, M. Smith, G. Fraser, J. Wills

1. Inter League – Andy Warner.

- Andy Warner was tagged in a post on Facebook about this week's upcoming Inter League game. This is the last game before the finals next year. However, he is currently banned from playing in Congleton Pool League for the next 18 months.
- Committee therefore decided that as the Bulls Head team are affiliated with Congleton Pool League that Andy Warner cannot play. If they do decide to play him then we reserve the right to pull our affiliation from them. Steve will make Steve Hilditch aware of our decision..

2. League Format.

- Steve has worked out the fixtures, there are 2 leagues of 8 and 1 of 9. The Winter League will start on 9th October and finish on 8th April with all finishing on 15th June (inclusive of all competitions).
- The Committee discussed how the format of each division will be run. It was decided that the best format for Division 3 is just home and away due to this being a 10 team format. For Division 1 and 2 this would be a short league so they are to play home and away fixtures as normal and then the first half of the fixtures will be re-played again. This may mean some teams get more home games but this is just the way it will be drawn out.

3. Competitions.

- Due to there being an uneven number of teams in the league this season, we cannot use exactly the same format as last year for the Team Knockout. Therefore it was decided, after all options were put forward, that the first round will be run as a knock out with the winners of the games going into the Champions League and the rest into the Europa League.
- Further to the discussion on the costs of the competitions at previous meetings and that we told the Captain's at the AGM that we would be putting up entry prices, the Committee went over Steve's figures of what each competition took in entry fees versus the outlay in trophies to decide on price increases. The majority are going up between 50p and £2 but the main increase is the Team Knockout. This will now be £5 per team to enter and will be compulsory. This decision was taken

as this competition is the largest cost to the league but with no income. The decision was taken for it to be compulsory as we are conscious teams would not enter otherwise and this was a competition we still wanted all teams to enter otherwise we would not be able to fill the season as we do now.

- This increase in prices would generate a further £800 of income and mean that none of the competitions would be making a loss. Ladies Singles is an exception and we will decided on whether to just do a winners trophy or other places dependent upon entries taken.

Meeting finished at 8pm

Elisa Hancock
General Secretary