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CONGLETON POOL LEAGUE'S CONSTITUTION 2019/20

1. TITLE:-

The league shall be called the "Congleton Pool League" or any other name as deemed by the management committee.

2. THE OBJECTS OF THE GAME:-

- (a) To play the game in a sportsman like manner at all times.
- (b) To promote the game of pool within the district of Congleton.
- (c) To provide an annual league'(s) and various competitions for member teams / Individuals.
- (d) To promote or support other competitions from time to time as determined by the management committee.
- (e) To participate and support, Where ever possible, the social and charitable activities of the local area.
- (f) To enhance the game of pool at county and national level by active participation in any such associations, and also in any other local or national activities as determined by the management committee.

3. CONSTITUTION & RULES:-

- (a) The constitution and rules of the league should only be changed at a Annual General Meeting, Special Meeting or a Extraordinary General Meeting unless the committee feel it necessary to make changes to continue with the smooth running of the league. Captains must be informed of these changes at a captains meeting and they must agree to these changes by a majority vote. The Constitution can be downloaded from our website 22 (a).
- (b) All changes to rules in accordance with 3 (a) shall have immediate effect following the meeting at which they are made unless otherwise deemed by the management committee.

4. AFFILIATIONS:-

The league shall be affiliated to any bodies that are deemed appropriate from time to time by the management committee, such as the E.P.A. (English Pool Association)

5. MANAGEMENT OF THE LEAGUE:-

- (a) The general management of the league shall be undertaken by the elected officers as constituted under 8 (a).
- (b) Committee & Captain's meetings shall take place as often as deemed by the management committee.
- (c) Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum for a Committee Meeting. No items shall commence in the absence of a quorum but an item under discussion at the time a quorum ceases to exist may be concluded.

- (d) All members of the committee shall have equal voting rights at committee meetings except that the chairman shall not be entitled to vote except to exercise a casting vote in the event of a tied vote.
- (e) Committee Meetings shall only be attended by Committee members. However, any registered player may request, or be requested by the committee to attend the meeting to raise a specific item. The request should be made to the general secretary specifying the item to be raised, the Chairman then has the right to ask the person to leave the meeting after they have stated their case if he feels the need to.
- (f) Voting at captains or committee meetings shall normally be by a show of hands but not normally be recorded in any minutes, but only registered players may vote unless they are a member of the committee.
- (g) Not-withstanding 5 (f), any committee member may propose that the voting be done by a secret ballot or on a named basis and to be recorded in any minutes.

6. MEMBERSHIP & TEAM REGISTRATION:-

- (a) Membership to the league will be on a team basis.
- (b) Applications to the league shall be done at the registration meeting and accepted at the Annual General Meeting.
- (c) When registering a team for membership, teams must be able to demonstrate they can provide appropriate and satisfactory facilities for participation in the league as deemed by the committee such as a level table and in a reasonable condition, room around the table etc.
- (d) Applications should be made in writing on the registration form (which can be downloaded from our website 22 (a) and should state the teams Venue, Name of Team (within reason) the team's Captain and the Names, Addresses, Age and if possible the Phone Numbers of the rest of the players in the team. Once the team is accepted these players become registered to that team. The minimum age of a registered player is usually 18 at the time of registration, but they can play at 16 with the consent of the landlord/lady of the venue concerned. The completed registration form, along with all relevant monies must be given to the fixtures secretary on the registration night. The committee has the power to accept late applications due to exceptional circumstances.
- (e) A team must register a minimum of 6 players to constitute a team. No team may register more than two players that are normally resident outside the district of Congleton, eg:-Not a (01260) telephone prefix or a (CW12) postcode except if they are classed as being "Home Based" see 6 (f) However, with the approval of the committee a team / player from outside the district may be admitted to the league if in doing so it is not detrimental to the league.
- (f) A player who resides outside the district but has played in the league for two consecutive years shall be classed as being "Home Based" this entitling them to play. A home based player may take upto 2 years absence from the league before losing their home based status.
- (g) Once a player is registered they can only play for the team they registered for unless they transfer to another team. "See Transfers and New Registrations 7 (b).
- (h) Only registered players may take part in the league fixtures.
- (i) Only registered players may take part in competitions run by the league unless the competition is classed as being open to un-registered players.
- (j) The committee shall have the power to rescind membership of any team or player.
- (k) Each team registered must have at least 1 player who has passed the Referee's Exam, this must be achieved by no later than 2 months after the Team Registration date. Failure to adhere will resort in the team being fined as per the constitution 11 (a) (Cat 3). For each month the team does not have a qualified referee will be the same as for each offence.
- (I) When a team registers for the league it has a choice of two options:-

<u>Option 1:-</u> You will as a team will participate in the "Super-Draw" which means you <u>MUST</u> sell a minimum of 10 raffle tickets each month, failure to do so you will be fined accordingly for example if your team does not sell any tickets your team will be fined £10, if you sell only 6 tickets you will be fined £4 etc. If you take Option 1 each player registration will be £10. Any new player registrations after the start of the season will pay £3 per game up to a maximum of 5 games = £15

<u>Option 2:-</u> You will as a team Opt out of the "Super-Draw" meaning you don't have to sell any raffle tickets and raise $\pounds 10$ each month but as a result each player's registration fee will be $\pounds 15$.

Any new player registrations after the start of the season will pay £4 per game up to a maximum of 5 games = £20.

7. TRANSFERS & NEW PLAYER REGISTRATIONS:-

(a) TRANSFERS:-

In the case of transfers, the Fixtures Secretary must be informed before the player is allowed to play for their new team. The transfer fee is £5 unless within the first four weeks of the season and then the fee is waived. The transfer fee is to be paid at the next available meeting, failure to do so will incur a fine as in section 11 (a), (Cat 2) and all points won by the player/s concerned will be deleted. Also see section 10, League Fee's (a) 4.

(b) <u>NEW REGISTRATIONS</u>:-

All new player registrations after the Team Registration Meeting will be made on the reverse side of the match result card in the appropriate place. New signings can be made on the night of a match and the registration fee must be paid in to the league at the next available captains meeting, failure to do so will incur a fine as defined in section 11 (a) (Cat 2), and all points won by the player/s concerned will be deleted. Also see section 10, League Fee's (a) 2.

In the event of the Fixtures Secretary having reason to believe that a New Signing or a Transfer, after the turn around could be controversial or detrimental to the league, then the request shall be passed on to the committee for determination.

8. <u>LEAGUE OFFICERS</u>:-

(a) The officers of the league shall be:-

1.	CHAIRMAN
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- 2. VICE CHAIRMAN
- 3. GENERAL SECRETARY
- 4. TREASURER

- FIXTURES SECRETARY
- 6. PROMOTIONS SECRETARY

SOCIAL MEDIA REP PLUS:- a number of "TEAM REPS" who will represent the members of the league.

- (b) Officers shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting.
- (c) Nominations for office must be forwarded in writing to the General Secretary not less than 28 days prior to the Annual General Meeting and must also be signed by a proposer and seconder.
- (d) All candidates for office, proposers and seconders must be registered players from the previous year.

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- (e) Not withstanding 8 (c) the current holder of any office shall be deemed to be a properly nominated candidate unless that officer has specifically indicated any intentions not to stand for election.
- (f) Where, for any office, there is only one nomination the person nominated shall be deemed to be elected unopposed. Where more than one nomination is received, the matter shall be decided by vote at the Annual General Meeting.
- (g) In the event of there being more than two candidates for any office, successive votes shall be taken until one candidate obtains more than half the votes cast. On the first and each successive vote, the lowest placed candidate will be eliminated.
- (h) Where no nominations are received for an office, the Chairman shall call for nominations from the floor of the Annual General Meeting and any nominations then received which satisfy 8 (d), shall be dealt with as under 8 (f) and 8 (g).

(i) In the event of a officer resigning during the year, the office will be filled by vote if necessary, by a member of the committee or any person which is approved by the committee.

9. FINANCE:-

(a) The Treasurer shall submit to the Annual General Meeting for approval, the accounts of the league.

The Treasurer shall submit a Financial Report at each Committee Meeting for approval.

- (b) Any person receiving money on behalf of the league shall hand these to the Treasurer as soon as practicable.
- (c) The officers of the league acting jointly may authorise the payment of accounts and may incur any normal liabilities on behalf of the league and shall be indemnified by the league against any claim or any liability properly incurred in good faith on behalf of the league.
- (d) All monies belonging to the league shall be held in a bank account approved by the committee in the name of Congleton Pool League, and all cheques to pay monies from such account shall be signed by two of the following three Committee Members:-Chairman, Secretary or the Treasurer / Fixtures Secretary.
- (e) The General Secretary and Treasurer should receive the annual sum of £100.00 (One Hundred Pounds) each, to cover any personal expenses incurred during the year of office. The Fixtures Secretary should receive the annual sum of £200.00 (Two Hundred Pounds) to cover any personal expenses incurred during the year of office.

10. <u>LEAGUE FEES</u>:-

- (a) League fees shall consist of the following:-
 - 1. <u>LEAGUE BOND</u>:

The committee urge teams to put up the "Bond Money" through the players and not the Landlords / as if the team drops out of the league the bond is forfeited. Payable at the start of the season by every team taken into the league. The total bond, less than $\pounds 5.00$ will be returned to the teams at the end of the season subject to any deductions made under section 10 (e). The total bond will be forfeited if any team fails to fulfil its fixtures or any team or individuals playing for that team still has any outstanding monies owed to the league 10 (e) 4. Any Outstanding monies however will still be owed to the league even after the bond money has been forfeited

Bond = $\pounds 50$ of which $\pounds 45$ is returned at the end of the season.

2. <u>REGISTRATION FEES</u>:

Payable in respect of each player registered with teams accepted into the league. Format to be decided by the committee and is displayed at the end of this section. Any new registration made after the registration night must be paid into the league at the next available Captains Meeting, failure to do so will result in the team being fined as to the constitution 11 (a) (Cat2).

<u>**Option 1**</u>:- \pounds 10 per player at start of season, or \pounds 3 each game up to \pounds 15 and take part in "Superdraw"

Option 2:- £15 per player at start of season, or £4 each game up to £20 and Opt out of "Superdraw"

Payable by all teams in respect of each league match played and at times and in the manner to be determined by the committee, normally collected at Captains Meetings. Format to be decided by the committee.

Not applicable at this present moment.

3. MATCH FEES:

4. TRANSFER FEES:

Payable in respect of every player transferred from one team to another during the season. The fee is payable by the team to which the player is transferred and becomes payable at the next available meeting after being accepted by the Fixtures Secretary.

Transfer fee is free upto 4 weeks then after is £5.00.

- (b) The level of fees shall be decided each year at the Annual General Meeting.
- (c) The committee shall have the power to rescind the membership of any team or player if the appropriate fees are not paid as they become due.
- (d) The committee shall have the power to waive any fees or a proportion thereof in exceptional circumstances.
- (e) At the conclusion of each season the committee shall have the power to withhold the whole or a proportion of the league bond from any team or individual should they have,
 - 1. Failed to fulfil its leagues fixtures or commitments to the league within a period stated by the committee or,
 - 2. Either as a team or individually been guilty of conduct likely to be prejudicial to the running of the league or likely to bring the league into disrepute or,
 - 3. Failed to enter into the league knockout competitions at least:
 - 4 x Players in any of the leagues Singles competitions,
 - 2 x Pairs in any of the leagues Doubles competitions,
 - 1 x Team in the 3-A-Side competition.
 - 4. Any outstanding debts which are still owing to the league for what ever reason.
- (f) In the event of a team not complying with section 10 (e)(3), a deduction can be made from the Bond Money for the subsequent entry money fees.
- (g) If at the start of the new season a team / individual still owes money to the league then each player in that team must pay their proportion of the debt before they can play in the new season.

11. FINE STRUCTURE:-

(a) The fine structure for the Congleton Pool League are as follows:-

CATEGORY 1.	First Offence	± 10.00 Fine + 5 Points Deducted
	Second Offence	$\pounds 10.00$ Fine + 5 Points Deducted
	Third Offence	$\pounds 10.00$ Fine + 5 Points Deducted
	Fourth Offence	Expulsion from the league.

Examples Being:-

- 1. Cancellation of a match with 48 hours notice,
- 2. Cancellation of a match without 48 hours notice (This example also incurs a £5.00 fine for the home teams provider of the refreshments). Also £5.00 of the £15 fine will be given directly to the team to compensate for the inconvenience.

CATEGORY 2.	First Offence	$\pounds 5.00$ Fine + 2 Points Deducted
	Second Offence	$\pounds 5.00$ Fine + 3 Points Deducted
	Third Offence	£5.00 Fine + 4 Points Deducted
	Fourth Offence	Expulsion from the league.

Examples Being:-

- 1. All result cards not handed in at the next scheduled Captains Meeting, or not at all. or not sending a photo of the result card to Fixtures Secretary within 24 hours of the match been played.
- 2. Playing an unregistered player (Due to registration fee not being paid at the next available Captains Meeting after the player/s have played) or not paying their transfer fee.

CATEGORY 3.	First Offence	± 5.00 Fine + 2 Points Deducted
	Second Offence	$\pounds 5.00$ Fine + 2 Points Deducted
	Third Offence	$\pounds 5.00$ Fine + 2 Points Deducted
	Fourth offence	Expulsion from the league.

Examples Being:-

- 1. No Captain or Team Representative at the scheduled Captains Meetings. However, if Captain or Team Representative arrives after the Team Register has been completed they will still be fined £5.00 but the points fine will be waived.
- 2. If a team owing in excess of £45.00 and has not paid at the next relevant captains meeting, then the captain of that team will be informed and must pay the debt in full within 7 days of being notified or they may be expelled from the league & Knockouts.
- 3. Team not having a "Qualified Referee" registered for their team

<u>CATEGORY 4.</u> First Offence and each further offence

Examples Being:-

1. If a team fails to sell any of their "Superdraw" raffle ticket they will be fined £10 (The price of the tickets) if a team sell for example only 6 tickets their fine would be the difference ie, $\pounds 4.00$.

<u>CATEGORY 5</u>. First Offence and each further offence

Examples Being:-

1. If a player / team fails to turn up for a Competition their offended opponent's may claim up to £5.00 from the offending player / team.

The committee shall have the power to impose any sufficient fines or points deductions that they see fit for any breach of the constitution / rules that is not otherwise stated.

12. <u>LEAGUE FIXTURES & COMPETITIONS</u>:-

LEAGUE FIXTURES:-

- (a) The leagues fixtures and Competitions shall be played in a format decided by the committee.
- (b) In the event of there being more than one division, a promotion / relegation system will exist to the extent that the top two teams other than in the highest division will be promoted to the next higher division and the bottom two teams other than in the lowest division will be relegated to the next lower division, (Providing that when they register their team the following year it is substantially the same team of players as the previous year. Beyond that, the allocation of teams to the leagues divisions shall be left to the discretion of the committee.
- (c) Wednesday night is match night, and the format of the league will be made by the committee with consultation with the players at the Annual General Meeting.
- (d) Matches consist of six singles games followed by three doubles games, one point awarded for each frame won, Plus two points awarded to the winning team. A doubles game maybe played any time after the first 2 singles have been played, this is to aid a team if they have a player/s who need to leave early for whatever reason.
- (e) Each team must have a registered player in attendance at the venue by 8.00pm on match nights.
- (f) The match is to start at 8.00pm. If a team cannot field a player by 8.05pm the first frame is forfeited. If a player is still not available by 8.10pm then the second frame is also forfeited. Once again if a player is still not available by 8.15pm then the third frame is forfeited. If a team still cannot field a player by 8.20pm for the fourth frame this also is forfeited. If by 8.25pm there is still no player available then at this point the match is classed as void, and the captain of the team present must inform the Fixtures Secretary as soon as possible. The offending team will be fined as in section 11(a) (Cat 1).
- (g) The home team's captain will write their players name/s on the result card first then the card is folded in half. The opposing captain will then write their players name on the card, this will be done for each frame of the match and the break will be decided by a lag. Players must play in the order that has been written on the card unless in competitions where matches are more than I frame.
- (h) Matches must be played on the stipulated date, the only exception being:-
 - 1. Bad weather conditions (e.g. Snow).
 - 2. Group Holidays.

If one of these exceptions arises, the match must be arranged to be played within 21 days of the set date and the Fixtures Secretary **MUST** be informed of the new date. Any team failing to abide by this rule may be fined subject to section 11 (a). If however the match is played before the set date the Fixtures Secretary should also be informed but no fines will be incured. The committee shall have the power to allow a cancellation of a match if there are special circumstances but it shall be rescheduled as per any other match exception.

- (i) Each team shall be responsible for the provision of a competent referee who must have passed the C.P.L. referees exam and a time keeper if needed for each frame, the home team will referee the first frame of the match and the opposing team will time keep. Afterwards, frames will be refereed and timed alternately.
- (j) The referee's decision is final on match nights and <u>MUST</u> be accepted by the teams.
- (k) Protests on the individual decisions of a referee will not be allowed unless there is an alleged error based on a clear lack of knowledge of the rules as opposed to the application of the rules or an error of judgement. Any team may, however, protest against the general standard of refereeing throughout a match but such protests will need to be fully substantiated.
- (1) All match protests must be sent in writing, to the Fixtures Secretary within 72 hours of the match that forms the subject of the protest. Protests shall then be brought to the attention of the Committee who will then deal with the protest according to the procedure laid down.
- (m) In Doubles matches, the oncoming team will have just 1 minute to discuss what they want to do after this the player whose turn it is must address the table, they do not need to take the shot immediately but within a reasonable time.
- (n) The use of the stop watch for timing shots is now optional but if a player / team feels the need to re-introduce the stop watch at any time during the match the opposing team has no

choice but to accept the decision. Players will have 1 minute to play their shot, failure to do so will result in 2 shots to the opposing player. After 30 seconds the time-keeper will call 30 seconds to remind the player they only have 30 seconds left to play their shot. This 1 minute rule will apply to both league and competitions unless otherwise stated by the committee.

- (o) A photograph of the result card is to be sent to Fixtures Secretary, Steve Byron by 11.00pm the following day, if this is not done your team will be fined as per a late result card 11 (a) (Cat 2). Result cards must then be handed in at the next scheduled Captains Meeting, failure to hand in these result card will result in the team being fined as per the constitution seen in section 11(a) (Cat 2).
- (p) If a league match or competition cannot be played at the stipulated venue and time, then the match must be played at a venue that both players agree on and the fixtures secretary (Steve Byron) must be informed. If there can be no agreement then the fixtures Secretary will set a venue and time for the match to be played, this will be final and cannot be challenged.

LEAGUE COMPETITIONS:-

- (**p**) Competition formats shall be decided by the committee.
- (q) Competitions should start at 8.00pm but if an opponent is not present at the venue by 8.30pm then the match may be claimed by the team / individual present unless prior contact has been sort to play later with their opponent and the Fixtures Secretary notified by both players / Team Captains stipulating the new date
- (r) In each match the player who breaks is decided by a lag. The winner having the choice to break or not.
- (s) The result of a competition must be forwarded by a phone call or message to the Fixtures Secretary within 48 hours. Failure to do so may result in the winner being scratched from the competition. No Phone calls to be made before 9.00am and not later than 10.00pm.
- (t) The Draws for competitions will try to be made at Captains Meetings but if this is not possible for any reason the draw MUST be witnessed by either a Committee Member or a Team Captain.

TROPHIES:-

(u) The amount of trophies given out in the league will be decided by the committee. For the 2019/20 season trophies will only be awarded to the top two places in each division and top three in the merits. In the competitions the amount of trophies is to be reduced to Winners, Runners Up, the Semi Finalists now play off for a third placed trophy except for the Open Singles which will still go down to the Quarter Finalists. The Team Knockouts, 10 Ball Smash and Speed Pool will remain just Winners and Runner Ups. If a competition has a really poor entry level Trophy quantities maybe reduce as deemed fit by the committee, Also if a competition is sponsored it's the sponsor's decision how many trophies they have. (See Chart Below):-

OPEN SINGLES:-	Winner,	Runner Up,	S/Finalists	Q/Finalists
DOUBLES:-	Winner,	Runners Up	3 rd Place	
<u>3-A-SIDE</u> :-	Winner,	Runners Up	3 rd Place	
MIXED DOUBLES:-	Winner,	Runners Up	3 rd Place	
<u>2 & 3 SINGLES</u>	Winner,	Runners Up	3 rd Place	
<u>SCOTCH</u> :-	Winner,	Runners Up	3 rd Place	
LADIES SINGLES:-	Winner,	Runners Up	3 rd Place	
SILVERPLATE:-	Winner,	Runners Up	3 rd Place	
9 BALL COMP	Winner,	Runners Up	3 rd Place	
<u>TEAM</u> :-	Winner,	Runners Up (C	Only)	
10 BALL SMASH	Winner,	Runners Up (C	Only)	
SPEED POOL	Winner,	Runners Up (C	Only)	

The Ammount of trophies for each competition may alter depending on the number of entries

13. <u>CAPTAINS MEETINGS</u>

- (a) Captains Meetings shall take place as often as deemed by the committee, Usually held on the first Sunday of the month unless it is a Bank Holiday where upon it will be held on the second Sunday of the month.
- (b) Venue's / Times for the Captains Meetings to be decided by the committee. At present the venue is the Vale Club and you <u>MUST</u> be present by 7.45pm prompt.
- (c) Each team <u>MUST</u> send someone, either their Captain or a team member to these meetings. Failure to do so will result in being fined or expelled as per section 11(a) Cat 3.
- (d) The person attending the meeting can only represent their own team.

14. COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- (a) Committee Meetings shall take place as often as deemed by the committee, Usually held on the same day prior to the Captains meeting.
- (b) Venue's / Times for the Committee Meetings usually the same as the Captains Meeting or to be decided by the committee.
- (c) A minimum of three committee members shall constitute a quorum for a meeting.
- (d) Committee members attending the meetings must do so in a sober manner so a true and sensible outcome can be achieved.

15. PLAYING RULES

All league matches and league knockout competitions shall be played according to Congleton Pool League Rules of Play as specified from time to time by the Committee. Also see Section 12. League Fixtures & Competitions.

16. DISPUTES

Any disputes between teams or individual registered players (But excluding match protests) shall be referred to the Committee and the decision of the Committee shall be final and binding.

For any Match Protests see Section 12 (k) & (l)

17. DISCIPLINE

- (a) The Committee shall have the power to take disciplinary action against any team or registered player whose conduct in the opinion of the Committee is contrary to the good order or reputation of the league
- (b) Such disciplinary action may take the form of :-
 - 1. Warning as to the future conduct or,
 - 2. Financial fine or,
 - 3. Loss of league points or,
 - 4. Suspension from the league and/or knockout competitions or,
 - 5. Removal of the team or individual registrations or,
 - 6. Any combination of the five actions above.
- (c) Where alleged conduct specified under section 17 (a) is brought to the attention of the Committee, the Committee shall conduct a disciplinary hearing. The team or individual accused shall be informed of the allegations and the date, time, and venue of the disciplinary hearing and may produce a witness on their behalf. The disciplinary panel shall inform the team or individual of it's decision and, where appropriate, the penalty to be imposed. The decision of the Committee is to be final and binding.
- (d) Violent / Abusive behaviour by either a team or individual will not be tolerated and will be severely punished by disciplinary action as deemed fit by the committee as per 17 (b)

18. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

- (a) The date of the Annual General Meeting shall be decided by the Committee and the General Secretary shall give not less than six weeks notice to member teams of the date of the meeting.
- (b) The Agenda for the meeting shall be composed of the following items
 - 1. Apologies for absence.
 - 2. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting.
 - 3. Chairman's Report.
 - 4. General Secretary's Report.
 - 5. Treasurers Report and Presentation of the Balance Sheet.
 - 6. Fixtures Secretary's Report.
 - 7. Constitutional Changes.
 - 8. Level of playing fees.
 - 9. Other motions for debate concerned with the general objectives and general running of the league.
 - 10. Acceptance of registration of teams.
 - 11. Election of Officers.
- (c) All items containing proposals for constitutional changes under section 18 (7) or for debate under section 18 (9) must be submitted in writing to the General Secretary not less than 21 days prior to the meeting. Such items must be in the form of a specific proposal and must be signed by a proposer and seconder who are both registered league players in the Congleton Pool League and either the Proposer or seconder must attend the A.G.M. Proposal forms can be downloaded from the website 22 (a).
- (d) The Committee shall have the power to composite similar motions submitted under section 18 (c).
- (e) The final agenda for the meeting shall be circulated to member teams not less than 7 days prior to the meeting.
- (f) Any proposed amendments to agenda items must be handed in writing to the Chairman prior to the commencement of the meeting and must be signed by a proposer and a seconder who are both registered players.
- (g) The Annual General Meeting shall be an open meeting subject to the power of the Chairman to exclude any person/s whose attendance is in their opinion, likely to be contrary to the interests of the league or of the good order. All persons in attendance shall have the right to speak.
- (h) Other than as specified in section 18 (j), all registered players attending the meeting shall have equal voting rights.
- (i) Voting shall be by a show of hands except in the case of any vote for the election of officers. This will be done by a secret ballot. The number of votes cast for the candidates shall not be announced. The Chairman will appoint tellers from the floor.
- (j) The Chairman shall not be allowed to vote for any motion or amendment. Any motion or amendment that is subject to a tied vote shall be deemed to have been defeated.
- (k) For any General Meeting of the league a quorum of 15 League Members must be present.

19. SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

- a. The Committee may, by resolution, call a Special General Meeting of the league by giving not less than 14 days written notice to all member teams, such notice is to specify the matter or matters for which the meeting is called. No other items for debate shall be included on the agenda for the meeting.
- b. The procedures for such a meeting shall be as for an Annual General Meeting.

20. EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

- a. On receipt of a written request to the General Secretary, signed by not less than 25 registered players and specifying the matter or matters for debate, the Committee will call an Extraordinary General Meeting of the leagues within 28 days to debate the matters specified in the request. No other matters will be included on the agenda for the meeting.
- b. The procedures for such a meeting shall be as for an Annual General Meeting.
- c. Should the Committee fail to call an Extraordinary General Meeting as properly requested,

the registered players requesting the meeting may themselves call such a meeting and any resolutions passed at such a meeting shall have the same force and effect as if passed by a Special General Meeting called by the Committee. However, the General Secretary is to be informed of the intention to hold such a meeting 28 days prior to the meeting taking place.

21. WINDING UP THE LEAGUE

(a) In the event of the league being wound-up, the assets and property of the league shall be disposed of in accordance with the decision taken at the Special General Meeting organised to discuss the winding -up of the league.

22 WEBSITE

(a) The Congleton Pool League now has a website up and running, The address is http://www.congletonpoolleague.co.uk. Many forms may be downloaded such as Registration and Proposal forms.

This Constitution should be used in conjuction with the **Congleton Pool League Rules of Play.**



THIS CONSTITUTION WAS REVISED FOR THE **2019/20 SEASON BY YOUR COMMITTEE.**

THE CURRENT OFFICERS OF THE LEAGUE ARE :-

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