

MINUTES OF THE DEVON LEAGUE EGM HELD ON FRIDAY 26TH FEBRUARY AT BOVEY GOLF CENTRE

PRESENT : Wendy Roberts - Chair (Wrangaton), Margaret Kenchington (Axe Cliff), Barbara Cummings (Axe Cliff), Maggie Thomson (Teign Valley), Katie Purcell (Wrangaton), Jane Wain (Bigbury), Alison White (Dartmouth), Mary THompson (Dartmouth), Wendy Simpson (Sparkwell), Margaret Smith (Sparkwell), Michie Ward (Woodbury Park), Jasmine Clapson (Woodbury Park), Glynn Harrison (Stover), Pam Giles (Stover), Gill Densley (Staddon), Laurel Kelly (Dainton), Sue Ray (Dainton), Pauline Baber (Fingle Glen), Yvonne Alford (Fingle Glen), Bernadette Maynard (Fingle Glen), Carolyn Maynard (Tiverton), Yvonne Pike (Thurlestone)

APOLOGIES : Churston, RND, Saunton, Ilfracombe, Torrington, Warren.

Wendy Roberts welcomed everyone to the meeting and rendered thanks for returning the voting and feedback forms.

Thanks to Bovey Golf Centre for the use of the room and the tea and coffee that had been provided.

The purpose of this meeting was to vote, formally, on the proposals that have already been received by clubs regarding changes to the league rules. (Votes already received from clubs not in attendance will be included)

Each proposal was taken in turn.

Proposal One

That Rule 3.2 should read :

‘Should the number of clubs reasonably enable the league to be played in 4 divisions then the semi finalists shall be winners of each division in accordance with the points system. If there are 6 divisions the 6 winners will qualify for a quarter final on neutral ground with the 2 best runners up over the 6 divisions in accordance with the points system. Should the number of

All in favour.

Carried.

Proposal Two

To add to Rule 3.4

‘The Captain of each team must produce an up to date handicap list at the beginning of each match’

After some discussion it was decided to change the wording of this proposal to the following :

‘It is the Captain’s responsibility to ensure that the players’ handicaps are correct.’

All in favour.

Carried

Proposal Three

That Rule 3.5 should read :

‘In the extreme event of a team not being able to field such a team a “walk over” of the 6th and Reserve game may be permitted’ Otherwise, the points will be awarded as per Rule 3.10(i)

For : 17

Against : 1

Carried

Proposal Five

That Rule 3.9 (iv) should read :

‘Any player needing a motorized cart (“a buggy”) must send appropriate medical evidence to the League Organiser at the beginning of the season. Prior permission must be obtained from the Club Secretary of the relevant venue. Additionally, the captain of the opposing team must have been informed prior to the match. If the need for a buggy arises during the course of the season the League Organiser must be informed immediately and medical evidence provided.’

For : 17

Against : 1

Carried

Proposal Six

That the following be added to Rule 3.10 (i) Weather conditions :

‘If the match has had to be rescheduled the home team must provide at least 3 dates, which fall on at least 2 different days of the week. If the away team is unable to play on any of these days, the average home points won, within their division, will be awarded to the home team - added on after the completion of their league matches. If the home team is unable to offer 3 dates the away team will be awarded their average away points won, within their division - added on after the completion of their league matches.’

For : 17

Against : 1

Proposal Seven

That Rule 3.10 (ii) Weather conditions should read :

(ii) If the host course is closed during the course of a match :

- a) If play is able to recommence on the same day, games should re start at the point where play was suspended.
- b) If it is impossible to continue play : if at least 3 games have been completed the results of these games will stand and the remaining games will be halved.
- c) If fewer than 3 games have been completed the whole match must be re scheduled as per Rule 3.10 (i)
- d) If the course is closed on the rescheduled day(s) and the match is unable to be played at all then the match must be halved and the points should be divided 6 points each.

All in favour

Carried.

Proposal Eight

Add a new rule 3.11 :

Unforeseen circumstances :

In the spirit of the game, should a team be unable to play a match due to unforeseen circumstances the match must be rescheduled in accordance with Rule 3.10 (i).

After some debate it was agreed to change the wording to this proposal as follows :

‘In the spirit of the game, should more than 2 players be unable to play a match due to unforeseen circumstances the match must be rescheduled in accordance with Rule 3.10 (i). If agreement between the two captains is unable to be reached the matter should be referred to the League organizer under Rule 2.3 whose decision will be final.’

All in favour.

Carried.

Proposal Nine

To change Rule 4.2 to read :

‘Teams for semi-finals day and finals day shall be selected from players all of whom have played in at least 2 matches in the divisional stages. Reserves are eligible...’

This promoted some discussion but it was agreed to vote on the proposal.

For : 15

Against : 3

Carried

In summary, all proposals were carried and the revised rules will be displayed on the League website and will be implemented in the coming season.

Should any club wish to propose further changes to the rules then these may be submitted for discussion and vote at the next AGM in October.