

# Huddersfield Billiards & Snooker Association

## AGM PAPERS 2021

Players or former players sadly passed during the year that we are aware of: Adrian Farrand, Brian Cousen, Joe Beaumont and Dave Blacker.

**CORRESPONDENCE.** Nothing material to report.

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (Tony Clegg)**

I hope you have managed to keep well and safe in these very difficult times. My sincere condolences go out to members who have lost family or friends.

With the need to maintain social distancing we have, as a committee, been holding regular "Zoom" calls in an effort to keep up to date with changes that our government were making.

With the recent easing of these rules, we are now in the process of finalising semi-final and final stages of our 2019/2020 seasons competitions- good luck to all players involved. Obviously, season 2020/2021 was cancelled.

Looking at the present position on COVID we will hopefully be in a position to start the new season (2021/2022) in September; this will obviously be dependent on government guidelines that we must adhere to.

I would like to thank all of our committee during this period for all of their sterling work behind the scenes. Stay healthy, happy and positive. And let's hope we can all start potting balls again!

### **LEAGUE SECRETARY'S REPORT (John Bastow)**

COVID-19 has dominated events since I took over as League Secretary. The league season 2019/2020 had to be curtailed (2 games short of a full season, in some cases).

During 2020, we took it upon ourselves to be ready to restart, in the event restrictions were lifted. We have temporarily moved to on-line AGM voting. We developed website plans for 3 vs 3 (instead of 4 vs 4) in the

Open Snooker, so as to remain compliant with the 'rule of 6'. Member Clubs were asked to declare COVID compliance on-line. Registration for season 2020/21 was completed in full. We had plans in place to play half a season starting January 2021. As it turned out, no games could be played in season 2020/2021 due to the restrictions.

Much of this involved our website and was a huge amount of work for Pete Gilbert; all our thanks go to him for supporting this.

Turning to season 2021/22, we are targeting a start in September, as normal. As always, the section your team is allocated to will be based on (a) team registrations across the league (as the number of teams in each section needs to be roughly equal) and (b) the finishing positions of your team in the 2019/2020 season.

**A reminder that league registration is open on-line and closes on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> August.**

## **COMPETITION SECRETARY'S REPORT (Paul Schofield and Rod Taylor)**

Due to the fact that Season 2020/21 could not be played, either for normal League games or Competition matches, there is no Competition Report for this season.

However, because of the Covid-19 pandemic and the restrictions placed upon us; all Competitions from the previous season – 2019/20 – were left in abeyance. As Rod started these, he taken ownership of completing them.

We were able to restart the Singles and Pairs matches from 17<sup>th</sup> May and the progress of all these can be seen on the Website. Unfortunately, we were unable to resume all 'Team' games at that time. Therefore, in line with the Government announcement on 14<sup>th</sup> June, relating to a delay in restrictions until 19<sup>th</sup> July, it is hoped that all Team Competitions can be played after this date.

It is hoped that all outstanding matches will be completed by the end of August at the latest so that we will be able to 'draw a line' finally on Competitions for Season 2019/20 and start the new season with a 'clean sheet'.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT (Dean Poutney)**

Due to the unfortunate issues brought by the Coronavirus resulting in the non-completion of the regular 2019/20 snooker season, the play offs and the all competitions the Treasurer was not in a position to provide a definitive audited statement of accounts at this time for the year ended 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020. Subsequently, the Treasurer provided an interim statement of accounts based on the Association's financial position as at 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

These figures were based on the expected and historic income and expenditure for the remainder of the year ended 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020. However, these figures were not definitive and were be subject to change based on any unforeseen circumstances as at the time of completion.

As a result of the restrictions imposed due to the unfortunate and continuing coronavirus pandemic it was not possible throughout 2020 to complete the previous snooker season and associated competitions. Accordingly, the interim accounts provided by the Treasurer for the year ended 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020 currently remain as interim accounts.

Once in a position to do so the Treasurer will provide an audited statement of accounts for its members for the year ended 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020. It is currently expected that this will not be until after completion of all competitions which the Committee hopes to effect during late summer/autumn 2021 should it be in a position to do so.

For the year ended 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021 the Association made a loss of £517.40. This was direct as a result of the Association receiving no income for the year ended 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021 though it was required to maintain the associated Go Daddy costs of hosting and running its website. The Association is aware that over the last few years the GoDaddy costs have continued to increase. As such the Committee is currently reviewing its options with the intention of finding an alternative provider for the purpose of hosting and maintaining the League website.

Despite the continuing pandemic the Association remains in a strong financial position. Below is a summary of the Association's financial position with the interim Profit & Loss account and Balance Sheet attached. In light of the fact that we have not been able to complete the 2019/20 season the footnote provided at the time of presenting last year's interim accounts has also been attached.

### **Income**

- Due to no snooker or billiards for the 2020/21 season the Association did receive any income via league entries or competitions. The Association did however, receive entries and subsequent payment from a number of clubs for the 2020/21 season. These monies are currently being held by the Association and will be used to offset against those club's entries for the 2021/21 season. These funds are currently being held as part of the Associations assets on the balance sheet. Income received by the Association was bank interest of £1.18.

## Expenditure

- Other than the costs of running the website the Association had no other expenditure.
- Costs for running the website were £518.58 (2019/20 £477.79). Though keen to develop the website the Committee continues to look at the options available in order to maintain costs.
- In view of the current situation caused by the continuing pandemic no honorarium or expenses were claimed by the Committee for the year ended 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

## Assets

- Subsequently, the Association made a loss of £517.40 for the year.
- Total assets held by the Association as at 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021 stood at £14097.97, leaving it in a strong financial position going forward. A breakdown of the Associations assets are as follows.
- Barclays Current account £8252.19, Barclays Savings account £5159.58, PayPal account, £586.32, cash £100.

Please note that the current account figure of £8252.19 contains the amount of £6051.62 which reflects monies still to be paid out for the 2019/20 season and entry payments received for the 2020/21 season. Accordingly, the assets held in the current account will be reduced down significantly and will be reflected in the accounts for the year ended 15<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

## PayPal Account

Though the Committee has requested clubs not to make any further credits to the PayPal account it has retained the account for the use of paying GoDaddy and any other related costs of maintaining and developing the website.

## Sponsorship & Adverts

- The Association has for a number of years been grateful for the continued support and sponsorship of local clubs and businesses. In light of there being no snooker for the 2020/21 season it was deemed not appropriate to request advertising/sponsorship payment from for this period.
- Looking ahead the Association will endeavour to utilise its website for the purpose of sponsorship and advertising with all received funds reinvested in junior snooker, coaching and the promotion of billiards & Snooker locally. Anyone wishing to advertise on the website should speak to any committee member for further details.

## DETAILED ACCOUNTS

<u>HBSA Balance Sheet</u>	14-Jun-14	14-Jun-15	14-Jun-16	14-Jun-17	14-Jun-18	14-Jun-19	14-Jun-20	14-Jun-21
							<i>Please refer to footnote regarding 2020 current assets</i>	<i>Please refer to treasurers report regarding 2021 current assets</i>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>								
cash in hand	81	279.65	354.31	311.45	355.14	316.07	100	100
current account	2353.8	2214.17	2066.11	2302.54	1291.79	989.3	2200.57	8252.19
PayPal account				25.68	916.94	1,771.07	1104.9	586.32
deposit account	5,041.63	5,064.26	5,087.27	5,110.48	5,134.13	5,158.28	5,158.28	5,159.38
Scottish Widows a/c								0.08
	<b>7476.43</b>	<b>7558.08</b>	<b>7507.69</b>	<b>7750.15</b>	<b>7698</b>	<b>8234.72</b>	<b>8563.75</b>	<b>14097.97</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>								
trade creditors / accruals								
loans								
overdrawn bank balances								
other liabilities								
<b>REPRESENTED BY</b>								
opening balance	7048.66	7476.43	7558.08	7507.69	7750.15	7698	8234.72	8563.75
net profit/loss	320.77	-88.35	201.61	112.46	102.85	536.72	329.03	-517.4
Monies carried over from 2019-20 & 20-21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6051.62
charity monies	107	170	-252	130	-155	0	0	0
<b>c/f</b>	<b>7476.43</b>	<b>7558.08</b>	<b>7507.69</b>	<b>7750.15</b>	<b>7698</b>	<b>8234.72</b>	<b>8563.75</b>	<b>14097.97</b>

<b>HB&amp;SA PROFIT &amp; LOSS A/C</b>									
<b>INCOME</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>s/total</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>s/total</b>	<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>s/total</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>s/total</b>
<b>Affiliation Fees</b>					<b>Printing &amp; copying</b>				
league	1,100.00		-	-	handbooks	550.00		-	-
<b>League Entry Fees</b>					result cards	-		-	-
open snooker	1,950.00		-	-	photocopier	-	550.00	-	-
open billiards	220.00		-	-					
veterans	700.00		-	-	<b>Stationery</b>				
		<b>3,970.00</b>			printing/ink	29.00		-	-
					gen. envelopes, files, forms	-	29.00	-	-
<b>Competition Fees</b>									
open snooker championship	256.00		-	-	<b>Postage</b>				
leonard oldham pairs	224.00		-	-	stamps	7.80		-	-
open snooker handicap	414.00		-	-	gen. league admin.	-	7.80	-	-
open billiards handicap	108.00		-	-					
team snooker k/o	200.00		-	-	<b>Trophies / Prizes</b>				
team billiards k/o	40.00		-	-	Cash Prizes	2,520.00		-	-
veteran snooker team k/o	80.00		-	-	trophies & Engraving	520.00		-	-
veteran snooker handicap	136.00		-	-					
Steve Whiteley Vet Billiards Pairs	80.00		-	-					
		<b>1,538.00</b>					<b>3,040.00</b>		
<b>Other Receipts</b>					<b>Yorkshire Assoc.</b>				
adverts	205.00		-	-	affiliation	-		-	-
finer	34.00		-	-	referee fees	-		-	-
bank interest	-		1.18	-	league / competition fees	-		-	-
additional income	-		-	-	expenses	-		-	-
raffles / auctions	-		-	-					
creditors	-		-	-	<b>Secretaries</b>				
		<b>238.00</b>		<b>1.18</b>	honoraria	525.00		-	-
<b>Sponsorship</b>					expenses	150.00		-	-
Michael Rath Trombones	150.00		-	-			<b>675.00</b>		
		<b>150.00</b>			<b>Other Expenses</b>				
					referee fees	600.00		-	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>5,897.00</b>		<b>1.18</b>	presentation night	-		-	-
					veterans presentation	-		-	-
					computer / website	477.79		518.58	-
					repay o/payments	-		-	-
					training / coaching	-		-	-
					other	88.38		-	-
					donations	100.00		-	-
							<b>1,266.17</b>		<b>518.58</b>
					<b>Total</b>	<b>5,567.97</b>		<b>518.58</b>	
					<b>Profit (Loss) for season</b>	<b>329.03</b>		<b>- 517.40</b>	
						<b>5,897.00</b>		<b>1.18</b>	

## Footnotes

### Current Assets as at 14<sup>th</sup> June 2020

The current assets for 2020 reflect the projected balances using the expected income & expenses prior to the completion of the 2019/20 season. The following table shows the projected balances and the actual balances as at 14<sup>th</sup> June 2020.

### Profit & Loss Account

The Profit & Loss account has been compiled prior to the completion of the 2019/20 season and as such some figures may be subject to change. Please refer to the Profit & Loss for further guidance.

#### Income

1. Actual income - not subject to change.
2. Actual income - not subject to change.
3. Actual income - not subject to change.
4. Actual income - not subject to change.
5. Income not fully received and subject to change.

#### Expenses

1. Actual expense - not subject to change.
2. Actual expense - not subject to change.
3. Actual expense - not subject to change.
4. Figure for cash prizes, trophies and engraving based on 2018/19 figures and are subject to change.
5. Actual expense - not subject to change.
6. Figure for referee fees based on expected number of matches requiring a referee prior to completion of the competitions and as such is subject to change. Remaining expenses not subject to change.

### AUDITORS STATEMENT (R Taylor & B Keenan)

Having examined the interim Financial report of the Association, we consider that the A/c's presented are a true reflection of the Association's financial affairs for the season 2020/21.

## AGM RESOLUTIONS FOR NOTING

### HBSA RULES

HBSA rules have hitherto been split into the following 8 documents; (i) Association rules (ii) League rules (iii) Competition rules (iv) Snooker and billiards handicap rules (v) Open Snooker supplementary rules (vi) Billiards supplementary rules (vii) Vets supplementary rules (xiii) Yorkshire League rules.

We have taken the opportunity to combine these, make it easier to find a particular rule, correct some minor inconsistencies (errors), add some details (e.g., handicap calculations), and simplify as follows:

- Association rules
- League rules (*combining (ii), (iv), (v), (vi) & (vii), above*)
- Competition rules

Yorkshire league rules are completely unchanged (and not currently in use).

These changes are all clarification only, with no actual changes to the rules currently in operation. The new rules will be posted on the website in due course.

### RESULTS OF THE 2020 AGM VOTE – All carried

Resolution	VotesFor	VotesAgainst	VotesWithheld
1. Acceptance of minutes of 2018/2019 AGM	30	0	3
2. Approve the Annual Report and Accounts	30	0	3
<b>1. New qualifying criteria for entering competitions.</b> A minimum of 3 games in the current season OR 5 games in the current and last season combined. This does NOT apply to junior snooker competitions. With immediate effect.	31	1	1
<b>2. The handbook. A smaller handbook is proposed, reducing down to around 40 pages.</b> To include last season's league tables and results. 200 copies to be produced: 1 per team and 1 per premises.	33	0	0
<b>3. AGM attendance.</b> Non-attendance at the AGM will incur a 4-point deduction, starting in 2021.	20	10	3
<b>4. Late Payments.</b> League Entry Fees not received by the November meeting will incur a 4-point deduction. Teams not paying competition entry fees by this date will be scratched. Teams not paying fines by the March meeting will incur a 4-point deduction. With immediate effect.	27	6	0
<b>5. Venues for the 2020/2021 Finals fortnight.</b> Please tick a box indicating your preferred venue: All at Levels, Mix of Crosland Moor Con and Marsh Lib, or a mix of Levels, Crosland Moor Con and Marsh Lib	11	8	14
1. Secretary – B Keenan	32	0	1
2. League Secretary – J Bastow	33	0	0
3. Competition Secretary – P Schofield	33	0	0
4. Treasurer – D Poutney	33	0	0
5. Auditors – B Keenan / R Taylor	32	0	1

### AGM RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL

The Committee has decided that (due to our inability to meet face to face) one vote per Club, administered via the website, is the best practical voting solution (as per last year). A copy of the voting form that you will find on the website is attached, this is for information only (postal votes will NOT be accepted).

**Please can you therefore complete the on-line voting form by 21<sup>st</sup> July. You will need to log in using your "Club" log-in credentials (the same username and password that are used for registering teams).**

It is the responsibility of the person completing the voting form (on behalf of their Club) to ensure that their votes are representative of the teams and players at their Club.

The votes cast by your Club are confidential and will not be disclosed.

**--- COPY OF WEBSITE VOTING FORM ATTACHED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE---**

## 2021 AGM - VOTING FORM

Please reply by logging in using your "Club" log-in credentials and completing the form on the website by 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021. POSTAL VOTES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

**Please enter the votes for Meltham Lib then submit it.**

Ordinary Resolutions	For	Against	Withheld
1. Acceptance of minutes of the 2020 AGM	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Approve the Annual Report and Accounts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Special Resolutions	For	Against	Withheld
<p><b>1. Qualifying criteria for entering competitions.</b>            Competition entrants must have played a minimum of 3 games in the current season OR 5 games in the current and last season combined. (The '3/5 rule'). This applies to all competitions, the only exception being where the entrant is under 18 years of age (and does not play in other leagues or competitions outside of HBSA). In this scenario the '3/5 rule' is waived.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><b>2. AGM and meetings attendance.</b>            If a Club is not represented at the November or March meetings, points deductions will not apply to their Vets team(s).   <i>{Clarification: (i) If a Club is not represented at the AGM, points deductions will continue to apply to every team in that Club, including Vets. (ii) This rule is for face to face meetings in 'normal' times }</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><b>3. Match postponements/cancellations.</b>            Matches must be cancelled a minimum of 90 minutes prior to the match start time, otherwise the opposing team has the right to claim the match in full</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Election or re-Election of Officers	For	Against	Withheld
1. Secretary – R Taylor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. League Secretary – J Bastow	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Competition Secretary – P Schofield	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Treasurer – D Poutney	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Auditors – B Keenan / R Taylor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>