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SOUTHAMPTON REGIONAL POOL LEAGUE

ANNUAL CAPTAIN'S MEETING
VOTING OUTCOMES

Baizz Club
57-59 Castle Way
Southampton

Monday 14th April 2014
7:30 p.m.

Rules Of Debate

- *Delegates must be recognised by the chair before they speak.*
- *All delegates will be given the right of speech during debates.*
- *No delegates will be allowed to 'talk across the floor'.*
- *The Chairman has the right to end discussion on an item if no progress is being made and/or the points being raised are repeating*
- *The Chairman reserves the right to alter the running order of the agenda if he so desires.*

Agenda

1. Meeting opens at 7:45 p.m.
2. Election of scrutineers
3. Chairman's Report
4. Finance Report
5. Motions For Debate
6. Election Of Ordinary Committee Members
7. Close Of Meeting

Items passed at this meeting will take effect from the start of the Winter 2014/5 Season.

Motions For Debate

Total Eligible Votes: 42

League Rule Amendments:

1. New players may not be registered for, or play in, the last 4 league matches.
Proposed: Steve Farrow
Seconded: John Miller [Kings Arms A]
For: 42 Against: 0
Motion Passed
2. Talking between doubles partners. Doubles partners may talk to each other while their opponents are at the table. Once the balls stop moving from the last shot of their opponent's visit, talking must stop and the relevant player must move to the table and commence their visit.
Proposed: Steve Farrow
Seconded:
No Seconder – Motion Fails
3. Proposed that we start to record player statistics.
Proposed: Peter Elliott
Seconded: Vicky Coleman
For: 24 Against: 18
Motion Passed
4. Proposed that Dan Grennell joins the committee to compile player statistics.
Proposed: The Committee
Seconded: G.Biddlecombe [Brass Monkey]
For: 40 Against: 2
Motion Passed
5. Proposed that we use the player statistics to introduce a new Player Of The Division award for the player that wins the most singles frames in the season. Win percentage to be used in the event of a tie.
Proposed: Steve Farrow
Seconded: Paul Botley [Rileys C]
For: 42 Against: 0
Motion Passed
6. Proposed that if an away team fails to show for a match in the first half of the season, the second match is reversed so the offending team does not benefit from a corresponding home match.
Proposed: Lee Bell [Gardeners Arms]
Seconded: Paul Alders [Inferno]
For: 2 Against: 40
Motion Fails
7. Proposed that we change from 7 frame matches to 9 frame matches consisting of 6 singles frames and 3 doubles frames.
Proposed: Nick Cremin [Elephant & Castle A]
Seconded: Dave Wood [Elephant & Castle B]
For: 7 Against: 35
Motion Fails

8. Proposed that the points system is amended to 2 points for a win, with an extra bonus point for a 7-0 match result [3 points].

Proposed: Nick Cremin [Elephant & Castle A]

Seconded: Dave Wood [Elephant & Castle B]

Proposed amendment that the points system be amended to 1 point per frame won by the team, plus 4 points awarded to the team winning the match.

Proposed: John Miller [Kings Arms A]

For: 1 Against: 41

Amendment Fails

Vote For Main Proposal:

For: 12 Against: 30

Motion Fails

9. Proposed that the committee explore all options for reducing travel to away matches, possibly by forming divisions based on venue locations leading into a Knockout stage to decide the league champions. To be implemented if a feasible solution is identified.

Proposed: Paul Lanahsdad

Seconded: Ryan Watts

For: 2 Against: 40

Motion Fails

Playing Rule Amendments:

1. Proposed that the SRPL offer the option for teams to play Blackball rules instead of usual SRPL rules and a separate Blackball division/league is run alongside the usual Tuesday and Thursday matches. This is subject to sufficient demand to allow fixtures to work alongside the existing leagues. The committee to determine the exact structure required.

Proposed: Mick Warner [Bitterne RBL]

Seconded: Steve Farrow

For: 22 Against: 20

Motion Passed

2. When a player has cue ball in hand, they can play from baulk. The use of the 'D' is removed.

Baulk is the rectangular area of the table that is bordered by the Baulk Line and the three cushions at that end of the table.

When playing from Baulk:-

- i) The centre point of the Cue Ball must be in Baulk when a shot is played. (If the centre point of the Cue Ball is directly on the Baulk Line it is not deemed to be in Baulk.)
- ii) The Cue Ball can be moved into position by hand or with the shaft of the cue, but when touched by the tip of the cue, a shot is deemed to have been played.
- iii) The Cue Ball may be played in any direction.

Proposed: Steve Farrow

Seconded: Paul Botley [Rileys C]

For: 37 Against: 5

Motion Passed

3. If the cue ball has come to rest on the playing surface following a foul shot, then the player having two visits may proceed to play from where the cue ball lies, or the cue ball may be played from any position on or behind the baulk line [or D if point 2 above is not passed]. Moving the cue ball in this manner does not count as a shot, or visit. (Players are advised to ask the referee to hand them the cue ball).

Proposed: Steve Farrow

Seconded: Mick Warner [Bitterne RBL]

For: 9 Against: 33

Motion Fails

4. Deciding Colours From the Break
 - a. If no Colours are potted on the break the table is "Open".
 - b. If one or more Colours are potted on the break the player then has a right and obligation to verbally advise the referee of a choice of Colour before proceeding. Failure to do so is a Foul. If a player is fouled under this rule the opponent faces an "Open" table.
 - c. If the player nominates a Colour that was potted on the break, the player is on that colour no matter what happens next.
 - d. If the player nominates a Colour that was not potted on the break, to be on that Colour, the player must pot a ball of that Colour on the next shot.

Proposed: Paul Botley [Rileys C]

Seconded: Lee Betteridge [Rileys B]

For: 15 Against: 27

Motion Fails

5. Legal Shot:

1. On all shots, the player must:-

- a) Cause the Cue Ball's initial contact with a ball to be with a ball "On", AND THEN
- b) Pot a ball "On" OR; Cause the Cue Ball or any Object Ball to contact a cushion.

2. Failure to play a Legal Shot is a Foul.

3. Exceptions:

a) On the Break, the conditions of a Legal Shot do not apply.

b) When playing out of a Total Snooker a player is only obliged to meet the conditions of (1)(a) above.

i) Definition: A player is in a Total Snooker when it is impossible to play any part of any of the player's own Colour by way of a "straight line" shot. Leaving an opponent in a Total Snooker is not a foul.

ii) If a player believes that a Total Snooker exists, the player may ask the referee for a ruling.

iii) If the referee rules that a Total Snooker exists, the player's obligations under the "Legal Shot" rule are relaxed as follows:- The player need only cause the Cue Ball's initial contact to be with a ball "On". The requirement to pot a ball and / or cause a ball to strike a cushion is waived.

iv) In a Total Snooker, the straight sections of the cushions DO come into consideration. If a player has to strike a cushion prior to impact with a "ball on", then a "Total Snooker" does exist.

4. Interpretations:

a) If the Cue Ball's initial contact is with an Object Ball that is touching a cushion, simply forcing that Object Ball into the same cushion does not constitute a Legal Shot.

b) If the Cue Ball and an Object Ball are touching the same cushion, simply forcing the Cue Ball and / or that Object Ball into the same cushion does not constitute a Legal Shot.

Proposed: Paul Botley [Rileys C]

Seconded: Ryan Watts

For: 9 Against: 33

Motion Fails

Ordinary Committee Members

The following volunteered to join the committee to assist with the running of the league as required:

Paul Alders – Inferno

Tony Adams – Bridge, Woolston

Mick Warner – Bitterne RBL

Mike Smith – Drummond Arms B [Bitterne Park Hotel]