

MINUTES OF 2007 AGM

Updated Monday 10 June 2013

The AGM was held at The Fingerpost, Offerton on Thursday 10 May 2007.

Present were representatives from: Alexandra, Devonshire, Mute Swans, Printers, Tiviot and Traveller's Call.

1. Minutes

Confirmed The minutes of the Annual General meeting held on 11 May, 2006

2. Re-election of Committee

Resolved That the Committee be re-elected to serve for a further year.

3. Final Results

Received The final results from the League, Cup and Plate for season 2006–2007.

Noted That the following had ended the season as winners and runners-up in the competitions indicated:

	Winners	Runners Up
A Division	Chunky	Alexandra
B Division	GM Club	Devonshire
Cup	Flying Swans	Ring O'Bells
Plate	Griffin	Printers

That the GM Club and the Devonshire were therefore promoted to the A Division for season 2007–08, with the Griffin and the Royal Oak being relegated to the B Division.

4. Knockout Competitions

Noted The arrangements for progression to the next round of either the Cup or Plate competitions, including those pertaining to “highest scoring loser”, were reviewed and clarified as follows:

Week 1

Cup round 1 10 matches: 20 teams and 1 bye (question setters)

Week 2

Cup round 2 6 matches: 10 Cup winners, Week 1 question setters and highest scoring loser (HSL) from Cup

Plate round 1 4 matches: 8 losers from Cup (remaining cup loser gets a bye and sets questions for both competitions)

Week 3

Cup round 3

4 matches: 6 winners from Cup; HSL1 and HSL2 from Cup

Plate round 2

4 matches: 4 winners from Plate; HSL3, HSL4 and HSL5 from Cup; question setters from Week 2

Week 4

Cup Semi-finals

2 matches: 4 winners from Cup round 3

Plate semi-finals

2 matches: 4 winners from Plate round 2

Week 5

Cup Final

1 match: 2 winners from Cup Semi-finals

Plate Final

1 match: 2 winners from Plate Semi-finals

Resolved Following discussion, that the handicaps be recalculated immediately prior to each round of the knockout competition. Teams should be aware that their handicap may therefore be subject to change as the season progresses.

5. Question setting

Agreed That in general the standard of question setting for the season 2006/07 had been particularly good. However, all teams are reminded that written rounds and spare questions should not be paired.

6. Scoring of Questions

Considered A proposal that a system for scoring of question sets should be re-introduced.

Agreed Following discussion, that a scoring system was unlikely to serve any useful purpose, and the current option to post feedback on questions via the website provided an adequate facility for comments etc.

7. Attracting new teams

Considered The possibility of securing a weekly feature (scores/sample questions) in the local free newspaper(s) and/or *Opening Times* in order to publicise the League's existence and attract new teams.

Agreed That the Chair would explore this further.

8. Withington Quiz League

Considered The following proposals:

1. That prior to the 2007-08 season a representative team from the Stockport League should play a match against a team from the Withington Quiz League, with a view to this becoming an annual event. Likely dates for this would be 12 or 13 September.

The WQL is prepared to make a contribution towards the purchase of an appropriate trophy; would the Stockport League be prepared to contribute the other half of the cost?

2. A joint end-of-season cup competition between the Stockport and Withington Leagues, over a period of four weeks, thus extending the season into early June.
3. The formation of a 'South Manchester Champions League'. Four teams from each league play in a mini cup competition throughout the 2007-08 season, played on a straight knockout basis. Teams finishing first to fourth in the A Division would get 'first refusal' on places in the competition.

Noted That Mike Wagstaffe was due to meet with the Chairman of the Withington League to discuss these proposals further.

Agreed

1. That the Stockport League would be prepared to make a contribution of £25 towards the cost of an appropriate trophy for a pre-season 'all stars' fixture.
2. That the Stockport team for this fixture should be made up of one player from each of six league teams, with those teams finishing in the top three of the A and B Divisions to be given first refusal in nominating a representative.
3. That Mike Wagstaffe would investigate with the Withington League the proposals under (1), (2) and (3) above and report back in due course re any possible implementation for 2007/08.

9. Website

Resolved To record on behalf of all members of the Quiz League our appreciation of the continued work put in by Mike Wagstaffe in developing and maintaining such an excellent website for the League.

10. Accounts

Noted That the Quiz League account currently showed a healthy balance, and that the Registration Fee for 2007/08 would therefore remain at £25 per team.

Approved The accounts for the season 2005/06, which had been previously circulated.

Noted That the accounts for the season 2006/07 would be circulated at the start of season 2007/08.

11. Date of Registration meeting and start of 2007/08 season

Agreed

1. That the Registration Meeting would be held on **Thursday, 6 September, 2007.**
2. That the 2007/08 League season would start on **Thursday, 20 September, 2007.**
3. That the Christmas Quiz would be held on Thursday, 13 December, 2007
4. That the season would recommence on 3 January, 2008, following the Christmas break.
5. That there would be no matches scheduled for Maundy Thursday, March 20, 2008.
6. That requests for byes, etc., would be considered at the Registration meeting.

12. Change of Team name

Noted The Mute Swans were to change their name to The Cygnets with effect from the 2007/08 season.