

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE EAST KILBRIDE CHESS CLUB
HELD IN THE COURT SUITE ON 24 AUGUST 2000**

1999/00 COMMITTEE: I MacKenzie (President)
J Dykes (Secretary)
T Brisbane (Treasurer)

Ordinary Members: S McKay, P Gosetti, A Williamson and A McConnel

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence had been received from Susan McKinlay and Graham Kay.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

A Williamson proposed that the minutes of the 1999 AGM be accepted as a true record. This was seconded by S Miller. There were no matters arising from the minutes.

3. President's Address

The President delivered a brief address in which he looked forward to increase membership of the club. He also mentioned that a friendlier atmosphere had been generated within the club

4. Secretary's Report

The Secretary began his report by saying that generally in the West of Scotland chess was in a difficult position with many clubs losing members. He hoped that this trend would reverse in the near future. He apologised to members that he was not able to produce a club directory this year.

He mentioned that for the coming season the club would still have 2 teams in the Glasgow League and 2 (instead of 3 last year) in the Lanarkshire League. In addition, there would be an allegro competition run by the Glasgow League. This would take place on the last Wednesday of each month. The cost of entering a team would be £13.75 and any members interested in playing should let the Secretary know.

The Glasgow League A team should have won promotion but defaulted their first game due to a misunderstanding of the fixtures. No cards were sent in by the Lanarkshire C team (i.e. under 1100 grading). Therefore the controller could not send any games for grading purposes. Transport difficulties had been experienced by the B team as they only had 1 car available.

The secretary mentioned that he had contacted some former members to see if they would be interested in returning to the club but, unfortunately, all had declined. He also said that the photographer from the East Kilbride News would be coming to the club the following Thursday to take photograph of the prizewinners.

5. Treasurer's Report & 1999/2000 Annual Fees

5.1 Statement of Accounts

The Treasurer circulated a copy of the Statement of Accounts to each member. The total expenditure for the year was £1100.42 and the income was £1156.96, leaving a balance of £56.54 compared to £138.69 for season 1998/99. The rent of the hall for South Lanarkshire Council had come to £916.80 and the board fees collected had amounted to £825.00. It was noted that the average total board fee collected per night, £20.12 was less than the cost of hiring the hall, £22.80. Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report was proposed by A Williamson and seconded by J Johnston.

5.2 2000/2001 Annual Subscription & Board Fee

Due to the increasing cost of hiring the hall and increase in club affiliations, the management committee proposed an increase to the annual fees as follows:

2000/2001	Subscription	Board Fee	1999/2000	Subscription	Board Fee
Adult	£25	£2.50	Adult	£20	£2.00
New adult	£15	£2.50	New adult	£15	£2.00
Unwaged	£12	£2.50	Unwaged	£7	£2.00
Juniors	nil	£1.00	Juniors	nil	£1.00

As all members present were in favour, the motion was carried.

6. Report on the Wilson Tournament

Andrew Williamson, the Wilson Tournament Controller, presented a report on the tournament. The winner was Tom Brisbane with 17 points followed by Andrew Horn with 15.5 points and Piero Gosetti with 15 points. 18 members took part in the competition.

7. Report on the Club Championship

John Dykes, the Club Championship Controller gave his report on the tournament. In the final stages of the competition, 4 or 5 players were capable of winning until Vincent Farrell came out on top with 6.5 points out of a possible 7. The controller asked that in next years championship players should turn up on the night or let their opponent know beforehand if they cannot make the next round so that an alternative venue can be arranged.

8. Presentation of Trophies

The Secretary presented the Club Championship to Vincent Farrell, the Wilson Trophy to Tom Brisbane and Club Championship Ungraded trophy to Andrew Home. Susan McKinlay won the Sword of Damocles trophy for the largest increase in grading throughout the season with a minimum of 20 games played. There was no Junior Trophy presented.

9. Motions.

It was proposed by P Gosetti that a Rapid Play competition be organised by the club. This was seconded by F Whitelaw

10. Election of Office Bearers and Management Committee

President: Nomination - I MacKenzie, proposed by F Whitelaw and seconded by A Horn.

Secretary: Nomination - J Dykes, proposed by F Whitelaw and seconded by P Gosetti.

Treasurer: Nomination - T Brisbane, proposed by J Dykes and seconded by F Whitelaw.

All of the above remain in post as no other nominations were forthcoming.

Proposals for team captains:

Glasgow League: A Team - P Gosetti, proposed by J Dykes and seconded by T Brisbane.

B Team - A Williamson, proposed by J Dykes and seconded by J Johnston.

Lanarkshire League: A Team - A Nesbit, proposed by T Brisbane and seconded by P Gosetti.

B Team - A McConnel, proposed by J Johnston and seconded by A Williamson.

(Later changed to J Johnston).

Proposals for tournament controllers:

J Dykes remained as Club Championship Controller and A Williamson as Wilson Trophy Controller (with F Whitelaw as deputy).

All posts were accepted by the nominees.

11. AOB

The secretary noted that no Junior Trophy had been won this year and hoped that this could be avoided by recruiting more Juniors to ensure a future for the club. He also mentioned that the shields on the Club Championship Trophy were full and it would be necessary to attach a plate on the back for the names of future winners.

EAST KILBRIDE CHESS CLUB

Statement of Accounts 2000/2001

INCOME

	£
Balance b/f	56.54
Interest	1.86
Board Fees	889.00
Subscriptions	185.00

Total	1132.40

EXPENDITURE

	£
Rent of Hall	777.00
Glasgow League	88.25
Scot.Chess Assoc.	22.00
Lanarkshire League	33.00
Trophies	10.00
Stationery	1.00
Gratuity	5.00
Photocopying	7.00
Engraving	13.00
Brit.Legion Donation	40.00

Total	996.25

BALANCE

	£
Income	1132.40
Expenditure	996.25

Total Surplus (Deficit)	136.15

ASSETS

	£
Current A/C (July 2001)	118.88
Cash in hand "	17.27

Total Assets	136.15

T Brisbane
Treasurer
31 July 2001