

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE EAST KILBRIDE CHESS CLUB  
HELD IN THE COURT SUITE ON 26 AUGUST 2004**

**2003/04 COMMITTEE:** I. MacKenzie (President), J. Dykes (Secretary), T. Brisbane (Treasurer)  
A. Nisbet, A. Howie, A. McConnell, S. McKay, J. Melvin, J. Johnston

**1. President's Address**

The President welcomed everyone to the meeting and made a few opening remarks from the chair. He noted that 16 members were in attendance at the meeting.

**2. Apologies for Absence**

No apologies had been received.

**3. Minutes of Previous AGM & Matters Arising**

Andrew Howie proposed that the minutes of the 2002/03 AGM be accepted as a true record, this was seconded by John Melvin. There were no significant matters arising which would not be covered in the course of this meeting.

**4. Secretary's Report**

The Secretary reported that the membership had increased since last season. Twenty-two members had played in the Club Championship. As the club had expanded the amount of teams in the Glasgow and Lanarkshire Leagues could be increased. He mentioned that most members are coming to the club on a regular basis and turnout at League matches was good. Last season the club had teams in the Spens Cup and National League. The Secretary would be keen to get more members and planned to send an article to the East Kilbride News with a view to encourage people to come to learn how to play chess.

**5. Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer circulated a copy of the club's statement of accounts to all members. The total income for the year was £1911.85 and expenditure amounted to £1426.03, making a surplus of £485.82. The Treasurer noted that the club had made a net loss of £63.21 as £549.03 had been brought forward from 2003. The report was accepted by all members present.

**6. Wilson Trophy Report**

A brief report was given by the controller, Andy Howie. John Dykes and Jim Johnston share the trophy. These were the only 2 players in contention in the final round.

**7. Club Championship Report**

The controller, John Dykes mentioned that all 22 members of the club had played in the tournament. There was a surprise result in every round. After a close finish the result was a 4-way tie between Alex Nisbet, Tom Brisbane, John Dykes and Duncan McDonald. There were good performances by Frankie Murray who beat Alex Nisbet and by Ian Nisbet who played 5 out of the top 6 payers with a score of 4.5 points. The 2 juniors, Ian and David Nisbet are good prospects for getting high gradings. The controller mentioned that Ian Nisbet had played for Scotland in the under 14s and David Nisbet was a Scottish junior chess youth team member. Due to people being unavailable, some games had to be re-arranged. It was proposed that next season the option of taking a 1/2 point bye in rounds 1 to 6 would be introduced. This would have to be decided before the draw was made. Once the draw was made and opponents named, any re-arranged games must be reported by the Tuesday before the next round. This proposal was accepted by all members present.

**8. Gosetti Shield Report**

This new trophy which had been presented last year by Piero Gosetti was won by Peter Sidebotham who had the best percentage score in representative games having played a minimum of 6 games.

**9. Sword of Damocles Report**

This trophy was won by Peter Sidebotham whose grading had gone from 976 to 1063.

## 10. League Reports

Congratulations were given to the Lanarkshire League 'B' team members, who had won their division. Five players would each receive a keepsake trophy. The Glasgow League 'A' team had suffered in Division 2 as the standard was quite high. The Lanarkshire League 'A' team had finished in the middle of the table and the 'C' team had finished 4th or 5th in their division.

## 11. Team Selections

The Secretary reported that Steven Hilton of Inverclyde had said that he would be interested in playing for East Kilbride in the Lanarkshire League. His grading was 1742 and therefore would increase the playing strength of the team. Two other players, David Ross and Gordon Loudon had also shown an interest. The Secretary mentioned that if they came, the club could have a 'D' team in the Glasgow League. There may be possible problems in arranging fixtures for next season as the 'B' and 'C' teams were in the same division of the Lanarkshire league. The Secretary circulated a list of members in grading order and proposed the following for the set up of the teams: Three teams in the Glasgow League. Players 1 to 9 in 'A' team pool, players 10 to 14 in 'B' team pool and the rest of the players in the 'C' team pool. Four teams in the Lanarkshire League. Players 1 to 5 in the 'A' team pool (including Steven Hilton), players 6 to 10 in the 'B' team pool, players 11 to 15 in the 'C' team pool and the rest of the players in the 'D' team pool. It was noted, however, that the club may not have enough members for 4 teams in the Lanarkshire League.

## 12. Election of 2004/05 Committee

### Office Bearers:

Post	Nomination	Proposed by	Seconded by
President	Ian MacKenzie	Andy Howie	Alex Nisbet
Secretary	John Dykes	Andy Howie	Alex Nisbet
Treasurer	Tom Brisbane	Andy Howie	Alex Nisbet

### Team Captains:

Team	Nomination	Proposed by	Seconded by
GLA	Alex Nisbet	Andy Howie	Andrew Williamson
GLB	Jim Johnston	Andy Howie	Alex Nisbet
GLC	Andrew Williamson	John Dykes	Peter Sidebotham
LLA	Alex Nisbet	John Dykes	Piero Gosetti
LLB	David Potts	Piero Gosetti	Jim Johnston
LLC	Piero Gosetti	Andrew Williamson	Andy Howie
LLD	Alan McConnell	John Melvin	Andy Howie
Nat'l League	Andy Howie	Alex Nisbet	Piero Gosetti
Allegro 'A'	I. MacKenzie	Alex Nisbet	Tom Brisbane
Allegro 'B'	Andy Howie	Jim Johnston	Peter Sidebotham
Allegro 'C'	Jim Johnston	Alex Nisbet	David Potts

### Tournament Controllers and Auditor:

Post	Nomination	Proposed by	Seconded by
Club C'ship	John Dykes	Andrew Williamson	Jim Johnston
Wilson Trophy	Andy Howie	Tom Brisbane	Ian MacKenzie
Auditor	Andrew Williamson	Andy Howie	Piero Gosetti

## 13. AOCB

- 1) It was noted that there was no Spens Cup team but there would be 3 teams in the AK Miller Cup.
- 2) The Secretary reminded prize winners to attend the club the next week as photographs would be taken for the East Kilbride News.
- 3) Congratulations were proposed to Jim Johnston, David Potts, Alex Nisbet and Andy Howie for their performances in tournaments during last season and to Ian Nisbet for playing well for the Scotland squad in the Junior International Chess Championships and to David Nisbet for securing a Scotland Grand Prix prize.

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Statement of Accounts 2004/2005

INCOME		EXPENDITURE	
	£		£
Balance b/f	485.82	SLC (Rent of hall)	1059.03
Board fees	973.00	Trophies & Engraving	186.50
Subscriptions	395.00	Glasgow League	151.00
LCL (Trophies)	21.75	Lanarkshire League	42.00
SNCL Rebate	10.00	Lanark.League (2002)	42.00
Bank Interest	4.32	National League	40.00
	-----	Photocopying	5.50
Total	1889.89	Total	----- 1526.03

BALANCE		ASSETS	
	£		£
Income	1889.89	Current A/C	357.62
Expenditure	1526.03	Cash in hand	6.24
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Total Surplus	363.86	Total Assets	363.86

T Brisbane  
Treasurer  
25 August 2005