



The Marches Pétanque Society

Chairman

Jens Bryan

Secretary

Douglas Like

Minutes of AGM at The New Strand, Eardisley, 21st October 2025

These Minutes Remain Draft until signed off at the March 2026 Team Representative Committee Meeting

Meeting started at 19.31hrs.

Present : Shirley Colins, Roger Colins, Peter Allen, Alan Watkins, Mal Jones, Phil Lear, Stewart McDonald, Christine Deane, Jim Page, Tony Griffiths, Gareth Smart, Trevor Allen, Melanie Williams, Ian Williams, Scott Shaw, Chris Cooper, Peter Wigington, Gwyneth Elliott, Gemma Allen, Roy Wilkes, Barabara Clarke, Chris Complin, Lorna O'Donnell, Mark Jones, Michael Hewitt, Paul Morgan, Marcus Farr, Paul Smith, Ian Clark, Ken Davis, Adrian Reeve, Helen Reeve, Alan Turner, Barabra Turner, Julie Standen, Diane Magnes, Jens Bryan (Chairman), Steve Bradley (Vice-Chairman), Douglas Like (Secretary) & Andrew Roberts (Treasurer)

1. **Apologies:** Rhys Stewart, Roger Marshall, Jon Pearce, Peter Dawson & Carol Bradley.
2. No items were raised for AOB.
3. There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes of the last meeting.
4. **Officers Reports :**

Jens Bryan - Chairman - Since the last AGM the Winter League 2024-25 finished but not without a hiccup. The Executive apologised for the rules not being clear in the event of a draw for the Winter League Knockout stages, since then the rules have been clarified, and a copy of the amended rules was approved at The Team Representative Meeting on Tuesday 10th July 2025.

The excellent numbers of entries for the Marches Competitions, the Triples having 10 Teams, Pairs having 16 Teams & the Singles having 24 players, proved the worth of continuing with these competitions. This was double the number of entries compared to last year. The good weather helped (maybe TOO hot) but with this showing of support the competitions will stay for 2026. Dates and venues will be set at the March Team Representative Meeting. Thank you all for saving the competitions.

Summer League – 18 Teams entered and played out well with the results which you will see later.

Summer League Knock Out Cup – entries were up by 2 teams from the previous year to 10 teams.



The Summer League rules have been updated to reflect required changes in the Knock out Stages (as per the Winter League ones).

The Wyestitch Cup – 14 teams played, again an increase on the previous year. A more flexible calendar was used, to shorten the playing season so we are not playing into the colder evenings.

Progress to date on The Winter League 2025-26 will be reported in the following Team Representative Meeting. Overall, entry levels are increasing but we are not yet at the Pre – Covid level.

5. **Visit / Event Reports** – These were covered in the following Team Representative Meeting.

6. Election Of Officers

No nominations were received, and all existing Officers were re-elected by an unanimous vote.

Chairman – Jens Bryan

Vice- Chairman – Steve Bradley

Secretary – Douglas Like

Results Secretary – Adrian Reeve

Treasurer – Andrew Roberts

PRO – Vacant

Douglas will continue the results secretary's job and Adrian will stay on the committee to organise Competitions and to provide the executive committee another voice and ideas. No body came forward for the Vacant PRO Position which has been vacant for a few years now.

The Society Team Captain role has been unused for many years. By an unanimous vote It was agreed to discontinue this position.

7. Ewan Cardwell & Douglas Like were voted to be verifiers for next year's accounts.
8. Summer & Winter League Entry Fees were voted to stay the same with Summer League being £25 and Winter League being £5.
9. The Wyestitch Cup Entry Fees were discussed with the executive feeling that it has to be raised from £5 to £10 Per Team. Unfortunately, few teams have placed orders with the sponsor. The Sponsor has agreed to supply winners' shirts at cost and embroider them for free. The £10 entry fees will cover the cost of shirts for the winning team. A few people were against the proposal but the majority voted for the change to £10.
10. There was no AOB for this meeting.

Meeting Finished at 19.54hrs.