

KENT COUNTY TABLE TENNIS ASSOCIATION



AFFILIATED TO TABLE TENNIS ENGLAND

**ACTING CHAIR: BOB BAKER
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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ADVANCE NOTICE

WEDNESDAY 13TH JULY 2016

7.30PM FOR 7.45PM COMMENCEMENT

AT THE MAIDSTONE Y CENTRE, LOOSE, MAIDSTONE, KENT.

ALL OUR LEAGUES ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE REPRESENTATION AT OUR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO VOTE ON MATTERS AFFECTING TABLE TENNIS IN KENT - A FULL FORMAL NOTICE WILL BE ISSUED IN JUNE

KENT MATTERS

**SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING
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SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

**Thank you to all those who attended on 02nd March 2016
The subsequent notice sent to all leagues was as follows.**

We did have people come forward to fill some roles but not the main roles of Chair and Secretary. It was agreed that County should not be allowed to fold, although without these officers in place at the next AGM the County would not be allowed to operate under the auspices of Table Tennis England.

All leagues are asked to discuss in the coming weeks whether they have persons capable and might be willing to join the County ranks. Every organisation needs new blood to sustainably continue. Whilst it is accepted many leagues do not have a close affinity with the County (as further witnessed by several leagues not even replying to

the invitation to the SGM) the loss of the latter, or any individual league does impact on everyone else in the County (less options to play TT and progress to higher competitive levels as just one example).

The gist of the meeting record is we need everyone to try and get new capable people into assisting with County and indeed many of our leagues as well. This is a TT problem, not just one specific organisation.

Please do discuss the issue within your league committees. We welcome hearing from all our affiliated leagues in the next couple of months, even if it is to say we have no one who will help. Reply to chair@kctta.net or secretary@kctta.net. We can follow up any likely interest by discussing with the individuals.

We shall not be making further blanket requests for people to fill vacancies.

Footnote: there has been no responses received at this stage.

PRIORITY ZONE IN KENT

Table Tennis England success with Priority Zone in Sussex moves to Kent

The Medway towns are next incorporating Canterbury and Thanet. The aim of the PZ is to increase participation in table tennis during 2016/17 with number targets aimed at recreational and development and indeed all levels. By increasing volume (of players) the numbers reaching higher levels, including your leagues will be higher than can currently be expected. We are sure those leagues and clubs in the PZ will aid the South East Regional Development Officer to work towards achieving the targets.

KENT LEAGUE

Incorporating two New Invicta Competitions

We look to continue the Kent League next season with the addition of two new competitions. The Invicta Development Competition to support the existing Development Leagues and maybe create more such leagues, which are the natural progression path to bring new players into the league infrastructure. The other is the Invicta Junior GP series offering an up to date junior competition replacing the defunct Closed championships. The entry forms for all these competitions will be issued with the AGM documents. Of course all these three competitions are dependent on Kent having the full suite of Officers and Committee in place for next season. As you know the Kent Closed has been lost due to the lack of adequate volunteers.

KENT IN THE UK

Figures released by Table Tennis England indicated Kent is 4th largest county

The measure is by players registered with Table Tennis England by Leagues. It tallies with fact we are fourth largest based on the number of affiliated leagues. The figures were though lacking the representation from four of our leagues (Canterbury, Dover, Gravesend, Thanet) who apparently did not submitted their annual returns to the Administration Department at Milton Keynes. The statistics show Kent having around 1500 members (includes multiple league players, who are counted more than once).

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Issued on behalf of KCTTA Roger Harris Secretary.

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Kent County Table Tennis Association

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The KCTTA like most organisations needs new Officers every so often. One of the first questions asked by anyone interested in taking up a role is what does it entail. So we have set out role descriptions that form the Kent County Table Tennis Association Management Committee and its related roles. Election to these roles is at the AGM or a SGM, except if stated otherwise.



CHAIR

Head of Management Committee.
Responsible for good running of the Association, includes inter alia;

- conducts KCTTA Annual General (unless President takes up option of doing so), Management and other meetings called by the Secretary, in manner where procedures are fair, reasonable and constructive
- ensures as far as reasonably practicable adherence to the KCTTA Constitution, Rules and otherwise within the framework of the declared aims and objectives of the Association.
- speaks on behalf of the Association at meetings with third parties on relevant matters.

SECRETARY

Member of the Management Committee.
Responsible for formal administration of the KCTTA including inter alia;

- the KCTTA administrative point of contact with Table Tennis England and our Affiliated Leagues and any Directly Affiliated Clubs
- receiving, distributing and responding to correspondence from these bodies
- general correspondence in respect of issues relating to the operation of the Association, including to our President, Life Vice Presidents and other persons external to the Association
- arranges the Annual General Meeting, Management Committee meetings in respect of venues, provision of agenda and related meeting documents, preparation and distribution of meeting records (minutes)
- administrator and keeper on behalf of KCTTA of its Constitution and Rules
- notifies Affiliated Leagues and relevant persons of the Management Committee and AGM or other meeting decisions relating to specific issues
- refers necessary disciplinary issues to the Disciplinary Sub Committee Chair and advises of its decisions.

Prepared by Roger Harris. Secretary. December 2015.