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South Norfolk Pool League  
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## Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026

Meeting registration from 7:00pm, meeting to commence at 7:30pm

Attleborough Snooker Centre, Function Room

## AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of 2025 AGM
3. Matters arising from these minutes
4. Sponsorship
5. League Proposals
6. Chairman's Report
7. Secretary's Report
8. Treasurer's Report
9. Election of Officers (Chairman, Treasurer & Minutes Secretary) plus Committee Members
10. Composition of the 2026/27 Winter League
11. Any other business

**ALL TEAMS SHOULD BE REPRESENTED AT THE MEETING**

Please ensure a member of your team has registered between 7:00pm and 7:30pm and they are in receipt of a voting card. This will entitle each team to vote on each proposal ONCE and ensure a fair vote.



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## South Norfolk Pool League AGM meeting minutes

Location: Attleborough Snooker Centre

Date: July 16<sup>th</sup> 2025

Time: 7:30pm

Attendees: Peter Leeder (Vice Chair), Marcus Burrows (Chairman), Tim Duffield (Treasurer), Phil South (Secretary), Steve Burley (Minutes Secretary)

Apologies: Ady Wood (Hockham Eagle B), Fighting Cocks Wombles

Teams Represented: ASC Exiles, ASC Guilts, ASC LT, Banham Comm Centre A, Banham Comm Centre Bees, Carleton Rode Haddocks, Carlton Rode Trojans, Diss Greyhound Hounds, Diss Greyhound OAPs, Hockham Eagle B, Hockham Eagle Is, Hopton Vine Panthers, Jolly Famers B, Long Stratton Queens Head A, Long Stratton Queens Head B, Mikeys Bar A, Mikeys Bar Stewards, Mulbarton Socil Club Kings, Pulham Falcon, Scole Crossways, Wymondham Sports Bar Rebels, Wymondham Sports Bar Rejects, Wymondham Sports Bar Wanderers, Wymondham Sports Bar Great Racks

### Agenda items

#### 1. Apologies

Apologies received from Ady Wood, Fighting Cocks Wombles

#### 2. Minutes of 2024 AGM

The minutes of the 2024 AGM were agreed as accurate

Proposed: Paul King

Second: Kat Lawson

#### 3. Matters arising from 2024 minutes

No Matters arising from previous years' minutes

#### 4. Sponsorship

Dave Mallindine of Eastern Flow Screed agreed to continue to sponsor the league

We would also like to thank all the trophy sponsors and Andy at ASC for hosting the finals nights

#### 5. Chairman's Report

Marcus gave his Chairmans report. Copies of the report were in the pack

#### 6. Secretary's Report

Secretary's report was given by Phil. Copies of the report were in the pack

#### 7. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was given by Tim. Copies of the report were in the pack

#### 8. Election Of Officers

The positions of Vice Chair, Treasure, Secretary, were up for election

No names were put forward therefore the incumbents of the positions will remain in place

#### 9. Composition of 2025/26 Winter League

We will have 4 leagues of 12 teams

Winter League to commence on 4<sup>th</sup> September

Two top teams and two bottom teams from 2023.24 tables will be promoted/relegated

Some teams will be offered promotion due to teams not re-entering, there are some new teams entering

The losing player offering a drink is not compulsory just a courtesy

A review is needed to change how often and order one player can play. This needs to be submitted to be discussed at the next AGM

League games to be played by league date, if an upcoming event is known which will mean a team cannot get a team, the games can be played prior to league date or forfeit the game

QF and SF dates cannot be rearranged

#### 10. AOB and Proposals on Rule Changes

- a. Emma Anderson-Herring, Wymondham Sports Bar, proposed that a Ladies plate was introduced as well as the Ladies Knockout Cup. A new trophy will be purchased.

This was agreed unanimously

- b. Jon Kenny proposed changes to any future play off frames at finals night, this will involve the whole team taking one shot each

This was agreed unanimously

- c. Adan Sturman, Long Stratton Queens Head, proposed having the shot clock in the Premier League and Division 1, but not in Divisions 2 and 3

This was agreed unanimously

- d. Chris Horsley, Hockham Eagle Is, proposed bringing in the "golden break" and "golden duck" rule.

This was not passed

- e. Aaron Lambert, Hockham Eagle, raised concerns from a landlord's perspective regarding the league and competition structure. The last Winter League season ran for 40 weeks but they only had 22 weeks of league games and 2 cup matches, leaving 16 weeks of no pool trade.

The committee assured the teams present that every effort is made to distribute cup games fairly

Meeting closed at 8:38pm



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## AGM Proposals – 2026

(Copied and pasted in the version they were sent to the league)

### Proposal - Doubles Knockout Competition

The scotch doubles best of 7 format has been a success, however I believe it has been widely agreed that the matches are taking too long to finish. This is typically as a result of discussions between pairs being allowed between each and every shot.

My proposal, which I feel is the simplest solution, is to only allows pairs to talk at the beginning of their visit to the table.

### Matt Large, Fighting Cocks Legends

Can we introduce a shot clock to div 2 and 3. Some nights seem to drag on forever and hopefully this would help!

### Chris Horsley, Hockham Eagle Is

Can I propose that all draws for cup competitions including singles, doubles and team games are drawn live.

### Josh Jex, ASC Mallindines

Team playing orders. Each team captain presents there own team order for the night and these teams are then place on the official scorecard. Means each frame is completely random and does away with away captains picking and choosing who plays who after studying the averages

The league considers using one of the pool apps now available, it stores all the teams information, players, does all the leagues, averages and does this all in real time. For example last game of the season every champion, promotion, relegation was up for grabs last game of the season, the live scoring within the app would allow everyone to see the match scores live league ladder from every league game as the night progressed. Would also take the pressure off Phil as the as the app would do automatically what he does on Friday Saturday or Sunday.

The league likes to make Christmas the half way point of the league season, that means in the first half we play league games almost every week but because the second half is so much longer you only play 2 league matches a month. Could we play a couple of rounds of singles or doubles in the first half and push a couple more league games into the January to June period.

my only other observation was division 2 was very nearly decided by the rearranging a match before the official match date rule. Carlton Rode had to concede the very first match of the season, bearing in mind the season is 9 months long surely forcing a side to forfeit a match when we still have 38 weeks of a session to go is ridiculous. If Carlton Rode had not won their last game they would have lost the league to the team they were forced to concede the game to. Titles should be won or lost on the pool table not to a rule like this, I can't believe that over the period of 38 weeks the 2 sides could not have found a suitable date for both sides to play this match

**Gary Jackson, Wymondham Sports Bar Wanderers (all four proposals)**

I would like to propose that matches in the Premier Division are changed to 16 frames and a minimum of 4 players are needed to make up a team.

**Steven Fearn, Diss Greyhound Hounds**



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## Chairman's Report – 2026

Hi Guys

It is nice to see plenty of people once again at the AGM, I would like to thank you all for coming, another season completed, hope you have enjoyed your pool throughout the season.

Firstly, I would like to apologize for not being at Finals day this year, I just couldn't make it, I had something else I had to concentrate on, people who know me know what that was, yes, I was getting slightly drunk in London due to a certain football team "yep ARSENAL won the league"

I do hear from the committee though that everything went smoothly, and you all enjoyed yourselves.

I would like to thank all of the committee for the job that they have done again this season, without the committee as you know we would have no league (they all must be gluttons for punishment LOL)

A thank you from me goes to our secretary Phil, without him I think we would seriously struggle.

Also, a special thank you goes to Tim or treasurer who is standing down this year, he has kept everything in line with regards to accounts since we took over the running of the league, so from me Tim "thank you"

Now to you guys the players, I am so pleased you guys keep supporting the league, without players we would have no league, so thank you all for that, a huge congratulation goes out to all the winners this year of leagues, cups etc etc.... commiserations to the teams and players that lost in the final (always next year hey)

I think everything seems to be running smoothly with the league, no major dramas, everyone seems to be enjoying their Thursday nights playing pool, so actually with me saying that, I think I will call it a day, plus I am sure you don't want to keep hearing me waffling on saying thank you, thank you etc..

Forward to next season.....

"Once again thank you to everybody"

Regards

Marcus J Burrows

Mr Chairman as some of you call me.....



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## Secretary's Report – 2026

Thanks to everyone able to attend the AGM. I appreciate people giving up their time to help shape the new season of the South Norfolk Pool League.

Thanks also to those who have offered proposals to attempt to improve the way the league is run. In my opinion, there are some that simply aren't viable for the league to pass as rule changes (and we will discuss why when we come to those proposals) but all input is appreciated – whether positive or otherwise. With that in mind, we will continue to run the league in the way we see best and with common sense to enable as many people as possible to play pool in a structured way. As ever, anyone is welcome to be nominated to join the committee, so if you feel that strongly about something, please come and have a go!

As always, I will echo what Marcus has just said and thank the entire committee for their input over the season. Things don't just happen, and it requires the input of multiple people to keep this well-oiled machine oiled!

I would also like to thank Andy Brett for being so amenable in letting us use Attleborough Snooker Centre for our Finals Days and for our AGM (and other committee meetings). His flexible nature ensures that we have a "home" for our league, and I hope we can remain here for the foreseeable future.

Finals Day was once again a success. I think we have got the order of play nailed on and the right number of finals played – the timing works. I can't see it changing massively over the next few years.

Continued thanks go to David Mallindine of Eastern Flow Screed for agreeing to sponsor the South Norfolk Pool League for the coming Winter League and Summer League in 2027. We can all appreciate that times are tough for everyone so for David to dip into his pocket once again to help keep the league running with the strength it has been running with, is real testament to him, so I send my thanks on behalf of the committee.

This part of the report has been left in from the last two years but is equally as relevant as previous, if not more so:

The secretary's job can be really easy – but it can also be made very hard by various things that happen over the course of the season. I want to once again bring your attention to a short list of things to think about:

- The League Secretary (as well as every other committee member) has a life outside Pool! Before you send a message at 8pm on a Saturday evening, think to yourself whether he/she might be with his/her family or partner and whether it can wait until a more suitable time.
- Just about every answer to your questions can be found on the website ([www.snpool.co.uk](http://www.snpool.co.uk)), or in the League Rules (which can be found on the website). Please try those routes before messaging.
- We ask for results to be in by 11:45pm on the evening of the match – please try and get into the habit of doing it as soon as the match finishes. The League Secretary may have the opportunity to update them first thing on the Friday – that said, sometimes it may not be until the Monday/Tuesday of the following week so please DO NOT CHASE for updates!
- Please accept that competition draws are difficult to do. Venues are difficult to decide on and multiple people asking to change venues or dates/times becomes an issue. This season, there will be multiple matches on one evening so venues, dates and times will have to be adhered to. The round dates are released in advance so if you know you cannot attend one of those dates, please do not enter the competitions. Naturally, we will try and accommodate people as we have in the past but sometimes it can't happen.
- Finally, a reminder that we are all human beings, that includes the committee, players in the league and landlords. We encourage everyone involved in the league to treat everyone else with the utmost respect, no matter the results on the day. We are here for an enjoyable Thursday night of pool!

To conclude, we will start the league on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September with a full set of fixtures so please get your entry forms in ASAP to allow us to get the fixtures sorted.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Phil South – snpool Secretary. July 2026.

# South Norfolk Pool League Income & Expenditure 2025/26

| Income                           | £            | Expenditure                                 | £            |
|----------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Cash at bank @ 8th July 2025     | 2,666        |                                             |              |
| 2025/26 Winter League Entry Fees | 2,350        | 2025/26 Winter League Trophies              | 2,742        |
| Singles Entries                  | 360          | 2025/26 Winter League Finals Night Referees | 400          |
| Doubles Entries                  | 500          |                                             |              |
| Divisional Singles Entries       | 150          | 2026 Champion of Champions Entries          | 140          |
| Divisional Doubles Entries       | 210          |                                             |              |
| Over-50s Singles Entries         | 150          | 2026 Summer League Trophies                 | 505          |
| Ladies Singles Entries           | 40           | 2025 Summer League Finals Night Referees    | 175          |
|                                  |              |                                             |              |
| 2026 Summer League Entries       | 900          | Inter League Shirts                         | 623          |
|                                  |              | Website Costs                               | 73           |
| 2026/2027 Winter League Entry    | 50           | Software                                    | 50           |
|                                  |              | Bank Charges                                | 51           |
| Miscellaneous                    | 35           | Misc Expenses                               | 58           |
|                                  |              | Trophy Engraving                            | 83           |
|                                  |              | Cash at bank @ 7th July 2026                | 2,511        |
|                                  | <u>7,411</u> |                                             | <u>7,411</u> |