

Brentwood & District Summer League

Minutes of the AGM & Fixtures meeting – Held on Wednesday 28 January 2026 in the Clubhouse at Brentwood Hard Courts TC at 7:30pm

Present -

Officers: Peter Cook – Hon League Match Secretary – Brentwood Lawn TC.
Andrea Goodman – Hon Treasurer – Brentwood Hard Court TC.

In Attendance: Representative from 11 of the 19 active member clubs.

Apologies: These were received in advance from the 3 clubs. Namely -
Cranston Pk, Old Brentwoods & Stockbrook,

[1] Introduction

Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting. Thanked Andrea for her work as Hon Treasurer & for arranging & hosting tonight's meeting at Brentwood Hard Court TC. He also thanked Gillian (Brentwood Lawn) for her diligent work throughout the season recording results then updating the website.

2] Minutes of the previous AGM/Fixtures meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated, There were no questions arising.

3] League Secretary's Report

Following last years meeting. Gillian (Brentwood Lawn) took over recording results & updating the website during the season much more regularly than Peter (Brentwood Lawn) previously was able to do. This has proved a better arrangement all round.

With the initial assistance of Vicky (Writtle TC) the league email address was able to be shared/accessed by both Peter & Gillian. However at some point google changed this shared access, so this link was lost. Consideration will be given to finding a way round this loss going forward.

The new arrangement in 2025 has worked & Gillian was warmly thanked.

4] Treasurers Report.

The Treasurer reported that Lloyds bank were introducing a £4.25 monthly fee to run the Bank Account which will add (12 x £4.25) = £51 to annual expenditure. The current balance was £326.

So the entry fee of £3 per team would continue for 2026. It was reported that the 2025 fees for a few clubs were still outstanding despite several reminders being sent during the year. After discussion it was agreed they should be collected together with the current years fees. Should any remain outstanding at the AGM for 2027 then consideration will be made for dropping those clubs for playing in the 2027 season. The League Bank Account remains -

Sort Code: 30-91-17

Account Number – 00003330

Name – Brentwood & District LT Association

5] Trophy's

Peter had previously circulated that because fees were slow in being paid & insufficient funds the trophy's had not been engraved. So no presentation tonight. Instead when fees for 2026 and all 2025 arrears have been collected, trophy's will be engraved. But only then distributed to those clubs who've paid their fees. Peter repeated that the local shop in Ongar Rd Brentwood preferred to engrave all the Trophy's in one go.

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6] The Proposed Composition of League for 2026.

Peter had previously circulated this. There were two requested changes since circulation. These were -

- [a] Writtle TC withdrawing Men's 1 from Division 2. As a consequence all subsequent Writtle men's teams were renumbered [eg - Writtle 2 become Writtle 1 & so on].
 - [b] Clearview requested entering a men's team. Adding 'The team would be of a decent standard so would be grateful if they could go into one of the higher divisions but appreciate they may have to start at the bottom and work their way up'.
- After discussing the two options. The meeting agreed this new team should start at the bottom in Div 6.
- Peter read through the effects of [a] & [b] to confirm 'The Final league structure for 2026'. After this point no further entries could be made but teams can always be withdrawn.

7] Election of Officers

The meeting appointed -

Gillian Came (Brentwood Lawn TC) as Hon League Match Secretary, to replace Peter and re-appointed Andrea Goodman (Brentwood Hard TC) as Hon Treasurer.

The change in League MS to be gradually introduced after all the loose ends of this meeting have been tied up.

8] Rule Changes

There were no requests for rule changes & none were discussed.

9] Date of next years AGM.

It was pointed out that the Annual Essex League Meeting was tomorrow night Thurs 29 Jan.

Moved from its traditional date of the second Wednesday in January. Should this change become the norm, [likely known at tomorrow night's Essex Meeting], it would be asking too much of clubs to attend such meetings two nights running.

So the first week in February will be considered. With date to be confirmed & circulated when known. Brentwood Hard are happy to host in 2027.

10] Any Other Business

- [a] Peter reported receiving an email regarding 'ringers' being used in a fixture late season. He explained it was impractical to investigate such an incident so took it no further. After discussion the meeting agreed the same conclusion. Matter closed.
- [b] There was no further business .

11] Commence arranging the fixtures for 2026.

Peter closed the meeting at 8-20pm requesting clubs to start arranging their fixtures.

12] The meeting was closed.

Peter Cook – League Match Secretary.

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