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MID-WEEK BOWLING LEAGUE



Walmsley Arms

A meeting of great interest to bowlers was held on Monday last (3rd March), at the Walmsley Arms, for the purpose of forming a Mid-Week Bowling League. The following clubs were represented: Anchor Cable Leigh Limited, Catholic Association, Leigh and Bedford Liberals and Westleigh, Bedford, Firslane and Leigh Coservative Clubs. In the absence of Mr. Higenbottam, Mr. T Lonsdale presided, and welcomed the representatives in a few well chosen remarks, after which the acting Secretary explained the proposal, and how it came to be made, to form a Mid-Week League, and of the generous offer by Mr. Higenbottam, on behalf of Messrs. G. Shaw and Co., to provide substantial prizes for competition, not in the form of a cup or shield, but individual prizes for the team winning the competition.



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League set up was resolved that all matches be played on neutral greens, sides to consist of 12 players and the game to be 15 up. All games to be played on Tuesday evenings as far as possible, to commence at 7 o'clock, previous to which each team shall have 15 minutes practice. The competition to be governed by the rules of the British Crown Green Amateur Association.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Lonsdale for presiding. In responding, he said he hoped the coming season would be as successful and happy as their first meeting had been. They had bright prospects and he hoped everyone would have a happy season.

After having the idea explained, it was unanimously resolved that a league be formed, under the title of **LEIGH SOCIAL AND POLITICAL MID-WEEK BOWLING LEAGUE**, to be composed of the clubs represented and that the meeting desired to thank Mr. Higenbottam, and through him Messrs. G. Shaw and Co., for their generosity in providing prizes for the winning team. Mr. W. Higenbottam was elected first president, and Mr. T Lonsdale vice-president, along with a Committee consisting of one representative of each club, with Mr. E Hill as secretary.

Mr. Higenbottam, who was unavoidably absent at the opening, congratulated Delegates on having formed the league and wished them every success. He hoped it would be the means of them spending many of their leisure hours in search of health and pleasure on the bowling greens, and in keen but friendly competition with their friends of the various clubs for the prizes offered.