

# KERNOW PETANQUE



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

### Report

12/04/2026

Oddfellows, Redruth 10.00 am

- Attended by: Andy Rose, Pete English, Colin Booth, Pippa Boardman, Sue Hardy, Mark Hypponen, Tim Austin, David Boardman
- Apologies for absence: Sharon, Sue & Ray, Vicki, Chris C, Ceri, Phil, Roy, Andy C, Graeme, Paul R, Pete L, Em, Nicky & Pete, Maz, Alwyne
- Minutes of last meeting: Signed by Andy Rose President, Report accepted unanimously.
- Matters arising: £1,108 was in KP bank at AGM 2025.

Money from raffles were transferred to Tregony throughout the year

Twitter and Instagram accounts were not set up

St Anthony Gardens new Piste , Penzance, up and running

Carried to AOB

Proposed by Pippa, seconded by Pete / carried unanimously

- **President's report**: If anyone wants to see the full report please contact Andy Rose, he will be happy to send you a copy

President thanked Boot and Pete for organizing our many events this year

The President hopes the new venues will attract more players

Sadly, KP will not be entering the Inter regionals this year due to change of dates

The President informed us he was unable to stand this year, he has felt honoured and privileged to lead KP, but due to various commitments and health he cannot continue. AR thanked the committee for the support he has received over the years he has stood.

The report was accepted unanimously.

- **Treasurer's report:** current balance £2089.26, but about £250 to fund the website very soon.

Proposed by Boot, seconded by Tim, unanimously accepted.

- **Membership Secretary's report :**

KP had 45 members last year. Not many of the new members have renewed their membership. Kernow paid the £10 club membership fees for four people, as an encouragement to their new hobby, however they have not rejoined this year.

There were 21 paid members last week, 16 from Tregony. Members to be contacted and encouraged. An informal post to remind of fees due to be put out on WhatsApp

The President thanked Pippa for her efforts

Tim proposed acceptance, seconded by Boot

Carried unanimously

- **Playing Officer's report:**

All events this year were fairly well attended, though would be better to see more players in the singles which was won by Drew. 16 took part, KP need to consider how to get more people into events and competitions.

The doubles had 12 teams enter won by Paul R and Pete L.

The triples had 8 teams, won by Roy, Sean and Boot.

The winter league had many different venues, Roy and Boot were the winners.

The Shooting competition was won by Andy C.

Devon/ Cornwall event Played at ISCA, was won by Devon.

The 3-way was cancelled, as ISCA was invaded by Travelers.

Consideration needs to be had for next year's formats and more support needed from people not playing, to track scores etc. AOB.

The next time we go to the Inter Regionals, responsibilities need to be shared

Coaching sessions were well received, and will be repeated this year

Events were well received and had good feedback.

Possible adding a skills session after the AGM next year

Proposed by Pippa, seconded by Tim, accepted unanimously

- **Regional Umpire's rep**

Andy Rose is technically KP's only umpire, though is officially retired from PE. We haven't needed umpire intervention this year, but Andy can advise when necessary

New members should be given a rule book, it is available on the PE website. All members should have a copy with them when playing.

Tim proposed, Pippa seconded, carried unanimously

- **Election of officers:**

- President : A new President is needed, however there were no volunteers for the post. Pete English agreed to act as Interim President for 6months. To be reviewed in October, when Andy R may be able to return.

Proposed by Pippa, seconded by Sue, carried unanimously

- Vice-President: Colin Booth to continue
- Treasurer: Pete English to continue
- Secretary: Sue to continue
- Membership Secretary: Pippa to continue
- Playing Officer: Boot to continue, with committee support
- Regional Umpire: Andy R
- Youth Development Officer- vacant
- Promotions Officer- responsibility of all as post is vacant
- Safeguarding Officer: Pete English
- Webmaster - To be confirmed
- Co-opted committee member -Tim Austin

- All of the above did not change from last year, so all proposed together by Pippa seconded by Tim, carried unanimously.

- **Any other business**

- Rule books. Boot has about 10, we will add addendums to bring up to date

To contain PE approved rules

David B offered to collate and print some rule books

- DBS will need to renewed- KP to fund Boot
- Youth development  
Gaynor has a link, to take pétanque into 18 schools in Devon and Cornwall, to be added to their curriculum. Wave Education. Meeting in coming weeks to take place
- New members will be given a code of conduct and rules/ a playing schedule for the coming year and all will invite and encourage them to get involved in events, skill days, fun days etc
- PE report. Pippa informed us that the PE are bringing counties together to meet regularly (by ZOOM) to discuss issues, our group is Cornwall/Devon/East Midlands.
- The committee discussed concerns with reference to the lack of support from members towards the committee and how it is a struggle to keep a core committee. The committee have had a lot of abuse recently, particularly on WhatsApp, to the point that current committee members have considered leaving. The committee feels there is a need to adopt a zero-tolerance policy and abusive members to be removed from WhatsApp. If members have any problems/ complaints etc, the committee requests that any committee member is to be approached in a private conversation, not in public chat. Remember all the committee are volunteers. Constructive criticism is welcomed.
- If you like what Kernow is providing -tell us and everyone... if not tell the committee privately please. Your problem will be addressed.

The committee will send the PE and KP code of conduct to everyone.

**“All members are expected to treat others with dignity, courtesy, and respect at all times, regardless of role, affiliation, gender, race, religion, age, sexual orientation, or background. Offensive, derogatory, or discriminatory language or behaviour will not be tolerated under any circumstances.**

**Members must remain mindful of how their words and actions may affect others, and strive to contribute to a positive and collaborative environment. “**

**All members have automatic acceptance to the above, as a member of Kernow Petanque and Petanque England and will automatically be under this governance**

Proposed by Pete E, seconded by Pippa, carried unanimously.

- The new Piste at St Anthony Garden, Penzance sea front is now up and running. North Inn and Penzance groups are using this weekly, 1 pm on Thursday afternoons. All are welcome. There are lights for evening play, seating, toilets and refreshments close by. 2 playing terrains. Please contact via WhatsApp if you wish to join a session. People who stroll by are showing interest and we hope to recruit some new players.
- The new Helston piste is now well on the way to completion. Funding was raised from the South Kerrier Alliance, Helston Town Council and Helston Rotary Club who did much of the manual labour. However, the surface is not compacted, just covered in 50 cm of loose sand. It isn't suitable for playing pétanque yet. A contact, Richard Middleton of the Hayle group has bought this concern up with the above and awaits the outcome. There are good toilet and refreshment facilities close to the 2 Pistes.
- The new PE committee intend to have a calendar out in good time this year so we should know about the inters for 2027 early. PE sets dates first, then Tregony and lastly KP.
- Boot commented that interest in playing drops in the winter and perhaps we need to consider events to encourage winter play. Other consideration for next year- Women's Day, and a group triples event when teams are one child/young person, a newer member and an experienced player to encourage weaker players.
- Boot is requesting £5 fees for the North Inn to continue to be part of KP. Only Tregony recognized as a PE Kernow club currently.
- Space still being looked for in the Bugle / Stenalees area for a suitable place for a piste.

- Possibly the building of a piste in Falmouth near the skateboard part. Pippa to put contact in touch with Andy R.

Meeting closed at 12:15