



Elm Park Snooker AGM 2025
AGM held on 6 October 2025

Committee attendees:

Peter Cosgrove (Chair), Bernard Barron (Treasurer) Aidan Maher (Handicaps & Competitions), Conor O'Boyle (facilities), Andreas Saul-Rotne (Communications)

Members in attendance: G MacMahon, G Casey, M Carrigy P OHara O McDermott, M Byers, F Carr, A Metcalfe, M Poland, J Meehan

1. Introduction

- The Chair welcomed the committee and the members to the meeting
- The meeting was deemed quorate by the Chair
- A moments silence was held for deceased members

2. Approval of 2025 AGM Minutes

- The prior year minutes were presented by the Chair and approved.
- There were no questions on the Snooker constitution which was approved by the Board in April.
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3. Snooker Update Chair

Peter Cosgrove provided an update on snooker activities

Progress and improvements over the past 2 years:

- All snooker lockers have now been reviewed and updated with the office and we have all but two lockers in use
- Table lighting is now free, replacing the previous €1 coin-operated system.
- New state of the art snooker lights have been installed
- The original online booking system has now developed into a full snooker app, developed by Aidan Maher. The link is available on the club website and players need to register.
- Ladies snooker has happened on four occasions with lessons and time allocated for members
- There is a snooker section on the Elm Park website with all links updated
- A more robust handicap system is now in place, with clearer rules around handicap increases and decreases.
- Summer and winter ladder competitions have been established.
- Agreement has been reached to re-cloth tables on a regular cycle. Tables 1 and 2 will be done this year, with Table 3 on the alternate cycle.
- The annual allocation from the main club has increased from €2,500 to €4,000.
- A new trophy cabinet and trophies have been added, and the honours boards have been updated.
- A new Snooker Club Constitution has been introduced.
- The annual end-of-year prize-giving and drinks evening has become a regular event and will take place again this year.
- A short video has been produced showing members how to correctly brush, block and maintain the tables.
- Chalk, cues and other equipment are regularly checked and replaced where necessary.

Areas still to address

- The overall cleanliness of the snooker room needs to improve, and we will liaise with the main club regarding more regular cleaning.
- We need to liaise with the bar regarding service arrangements on nights when matches continue late into the evening.

Key successes;

- First century break recorded
- Second year in a row we won a pennant

4. Internal and External Competitions

Internal Competitions

- Aidan highlighted the winners of all the internal competitions:
- Club championship singles: Conor O'Boyle beat Mark Poland
- Sean Cox Doubles: James Kelly & Brian Rooney beat Gerry Irvine and John Shorten
- Michael O'Sullivan trophy: Owen McDermott beat Louis Murphy
- Flyers League: Peter Cosgrove, Flyers Cup: Joe Meehan

External Competitions

A League: Grange beat Elm Park in the final. Elm Park narrowly missing out beaten 4-3

B League: Semi final for the B Team, Newlands won the league

C League: No pennant this year, a rebuilding year!

Paddy O'Brien: Elm Park won the cup beating Grange 3-0.

Champion of Champions: Our own Conor O'Boyle won the champion of champions

Captains 2025/26: A: Aidan Maher; B: Bryan Kilty; C: Joe Meehan. For this year Rory Butler will run the C team.

We continued to offer lessons for the Ladies Snooker, this only happened once this year due to a lack of numbers.

5. Presentation of Accounts

Income & Expenditure Account

Overall, the deficit for 2025/26 was €1,527, compared with a deficit of €195 in 2024/25.

Income

During the year to September 2026, we received an annual subvention of €2,500 from the Parent Club, unchanged from the previous year. We also collected €1,536 in competition fees from the Wednesday Flyers, internal match-plays and winter/summer ladders.

Expenditure: Key outgoings for the year were:

€1,548 for teas and sandwiches for inter-club league matches, covering the A, B and C teams. This used a significant portion of our annual subvention.

€1,171 for competition prizes across the Wednesday Flyers, internal match-plays and winter/summer ladders, funded from competition fees.

€150 for annual entry fees for the A, B and C inter-club leagues.

€157 for food platters for special Flyers nights.

€1,692 to replace the lights and canopy for the three snooker tables.

€740 for a new trophy and trophy cabinet.

After amounts provided for in previous years, €38 was the net cost for engraving competition winner boards and the Flyers Cup. The Snooker Section was charged by the Parent Club for our specific boards in the Snooker Room.

2. Balance Sheet

Available funds, being cash in the bank less outstanding costs, were €886 at the end of September 2026, our accounting year-end. At the start of the season in October 2025, available funds were €2,413. The reduction of €1,527 reflects the operating deficit for the year. We therefore enter the 2026/27 season with a relatively low balance of €886. Following discussions with the EP Board, we are grateful to have received a written commitment to increase the annual subvention to €4,000 for 2026/27, reflecting the popularity of the Snooker Section.

6. Facilities

Re-clothing will happen on second week of October 2026

Ongoing discussions about room cleanliness

A new video for all members was created on how to brush and iron the tables

It was noted that despite best effort it is very difficult to take the roll completely off the snooker tables, all suggestions welcome

7. Election of Committee Members

- The following were elected to the committee for 2025/2026

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| ○ Chair: | Peter Cosgrove | (Pr/Sec: Aidan Maher, P O'Hara), re-elected |
| ○ Treasurer: | Bernard Barron | (Pr/Sec G Casey, A Maher) re-elected |
| ○ Communications: | A Saul-Rotne | (Pr/Sec: O McDermott, M Byers) elected |
| ○ Handicaps & Competitions | Aidan Maher | (Pr/Sec : G MacMahon, B Barron) re-elected |
| ○ Facilities | Conor O'Boyle | (Pr/Sec: G Casey, B Barron) re-elected |

8. AOB

J Meehan suggested looking at the way the ladders work as they are different to other ladders in the club

Gerry MacMahon thanked the committee for the work they have done

9. Closing Remarks

- a. The membership and Committee were thanked for their attendance, and the meeting was closed