



# CORNWALL COUNTY SHORT MAT BOWLING ASSOCIATION

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## Minutes of the 149<sup>th</sup> Management Committee Meeting held at Ladock Village Hall on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2013.

**Present:** Henry Kendall, Elise Daniell, Peter Hore, Ken Horrell, Nigel Nicholls, Lesley Barker, Sheila Hodge, Chris Roberts, Ian Perry, Bob Flower, Neil Gribble

### **149.00 Chairman's welcome:**

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.25pm, welcomed everyone present. He also thanked Neil Gribble for attending the meeting to be co-opted onto the committee in the role of Assistant Competition Secretary. The committee unanimously voted in favour of Neil's appointment.

### **149.01 Apologies for absence:**

Nick Truscott, Derek Newton

### **149.02 Approve and sign minutes of the 148<sup>th</sup> committee meeting:**

The minutes were taken as read and approved by those present.

Proposer: Chris Roberts

Seconder: Ken Horrell

### **149.03 Matters arising from previous meeting:**

None.

### **149.04 Correspondence:**

Letter from Chris Hopkins (ESMBA Chairman) providing copies of the ESMBA's AGM documents. The AGM will be held on 13th July 2013 at Caroline Chisholm School in Northampton. As the CCSMBA had put forward the proposal regarding the ICC Consolation Competition which is due to be discussed at the forum following the meeting it was agreed that Nigel Nicholls would attend this meeting in order to answer questions and report back from the meeting.

Email from Victor Jones (ESMBA General Secretary) inviting committees to nominate players to play against the England Squad for the Presidents Day on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September at Northampton Indoor Bowls Club. For performances in the County Team last season it was agreed that David Studden (from the Premier Team) and Luke Jolly (from the A Team) would be asked if they would like to play in this event.

Email from Victor Jones (ESMBA General Secretary) providing a copy of the ESMBA Committee Meeting Minutes for February 2013.

### **149.05 Treasurer's report:**

For the period 13/05/13 to 08/07/13:

Credits = £7024.50

Debits = £0

Total = £7024.50 profit for this period.

Proposer: Lesley Barker

Seconder: Ian Perry

The profit for this period included a cheque for £400 from Spinnaker International as sponsorship for the County Team. The committee are actively seeking further sponsorship and would welcome further suggestions for potential sponsors.

#### **149.06      Membership Secretary's report:**

Registrations have been completed and the complete County affiliation list was emailed to the Team Manager on 15<sup>th</sup> June. Area lists have been emailed to the Area Reps. A few updates have come in since initial registrations and we currently have 57 registered clubs with 1060 registered members (2 of the juniors). This compares with 61 clubs and 1093 members (5 juniors) at this time last year. None of the 4 clubs which have so far not re-registered had any affiliated members last year. The updated Committee and Club Secretaries lists will be sent out after this meeting.

#### **149.07      Competition Secretary's report**

Entry forms for this year's competitions were sent out in the first week of July as usual with a closing date of 31<sup>st</sup> August. They have also been forwarded to Nick to put on the website. The draws will take place on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 7pm at Woodbine Farm Business Centre, Threemilestone, Truro. The entry forms for the national championship qualifiers have also been sent out with a later closing date of 27<sup>th</sup> October.

#### **149.08      Team Manager's report:**

There is little to report at the moment other than this year's County Team trials invites have now been sent out and are gradually being returned to me, I look forward to seeing everyone at the trials.

#### **149.09      Social Secretary's report:**

No Report.

#### **149.10      Press & Promotion Officer's report:**

No Report

#### **149.11      Area Representatives' report:**

**Central area:** All winter league fee payments are in, which has resulted in there being 9 teams in the Premier League and 10 in Division One. This being brought about by Withiel going back to one team reducing the premier by one team and Cubert entering another increasing division one by an extra team.

**East area:** No Report.

**North area:** The North Area is struggling with very few teams being interested in entering teams into the league system. I will have to seriously consider our options going forward and would be interested in looking into possibly running an afternoon league alongside the County league as is already done in the West Area. I would hope that this would increase membership and competition in the area.

**West area:** Very little to report at the present time. Next year's league fixtures have been distributed, with Mabe SMBC having withdrawn from the County League and concentrating their efforts on our local afternoon triples league. Our local competitions will continue in a county-style round-robin format next winter; a new Competitions Secretary has been appointed, together with a committee of three other members to assist with the actual running of the events.

#### **149.12      Items for discussion from correspondence (if necessary):**

None.

#### **149.13      Any other business:**

**AGM Voting Procedures:** Deferred to the next meeting in order to allow a proposal to be drafted.

**Fund Raising:** At the previous meeting the committee had agreed to revive the sponsorship package to send to some local companies to raise funds for the association. A list of possible companies that might be willing to give some sponsorship had been drawn up and will be written to once the document had been updated. In order for the sponsorship to be revived the committee held another discussion making suggestions for what the CCSMBA would be able to offer potential sponsors. It was agreed that these ideas would be forwarded to Nick Truscott to update the document he currently holds and once this has been seen by the committee and they have agreed it's contents it will be sent out to local companies before the new season.

**Rule Reviews:** Following a discussion at the previous meeting a draft of the proposed changes to rule 5.6 and Appendix 1 Rule 8.4 were drawn up and presented to the committee for approval. Both changes were an expansion of the current rules to make them clearer following issues last season. Copies of these changes will be

sent to club secretaries in the updates to the information pack.

Proposer: Peter Hore

Secunder: Ken Horrell (unanimously approved by the committee)

**149.14      Date of next meeting:**

The next meeting will be held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2013 7.30pm at Ladock Village Hall.

**149.15      Close meeting:**

With no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.12pm.

These are a true record and representation of the minutes taken at the above meeting.

***Signed..... (Chairman) Dated.....***

**Hon: Secretary:    Elise Daniell**

**Dated: 15<sup>th</sup> July 2013**