

MINUTES of a Committee Meeting held on 15th March 2010 at Langley Village Hall

1. MEMBERS PRESENT Mr T Rycraft, , Mr T Coles, Mr D Carpenter, Mr A Spelman, Mrs S Watson, Mr C England, Mrs I Benton, Mrs J Davey & Ms M Fitzgerald.
2. APOLOGIES Mr M Wiedeholz.
3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING It was proposed that the Minutes of the last Meeting held on 25th January 2010 be accepted. Agreed unanimously.
4. MATTERS ARISING (a) **COMPETITION SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Mrs Watson reported that all dates for the coming season have been confirmed with Strood. These dates will be available on the Kent website soon.

National Heats have now been completed with the following qualifiers;

Singles – Gary Allard

Pairs – Gary Allard & Linda Wynn

Triples – Gary Allard, Derek Ford & Linda Wynn

Under 18's – Andrew Rodgers.

Domestic competitions are close to completion with the singles & fours finals to be played. The club competition has had 14 entries to date. Entries are coming in slowly.

The Open Pairs Competition has 16 confirmed entries; Places are still available for interested bowlers.

- (b) **TEAM MANAGER'S REPORT:** In Mr Wiedeholz absence the following county team results were reported;

31-01-10

Kent Premier Win Preliminary Round - Kent Premier 29pts (217 shots) vs. Worcestershire 11pts (135 shots)

21-02-10

Kent Premier Lose Quarter Final - Kent Premier 12pts (152 shots) vs. Hampshire 28pts (184 shots)

Kent B-Team Win Away- Kent B-Team 27pts (200 shots) vs. East Sussex 13pts (136 shots).

24-02-10

Kent A-Team Win Quarter Final - Kent A-Team 24pts (190 shots) vs. Essex 16pts (165 shots)

27-02-10

Kent B- Team Win at Home- Kent B-Team 33pts (236 shots) vs. East Sussex 7pts (131 shots).

28-02-10

Kent A-Team Lose Semi Final - Kent A-Team 15pts (162 shots) vs. West Midlands 25pts (187 shots)

13-03-10

Kent B- Team Win at Home- Kent B-Team 24pts (185 shots) vs. Surrey 16pts (159 shots).

- (c) **TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Treasurer reported the insurance from ESMBA had risen slightly this year from £198 to £226 which she still considered exceptional value.

She confirmed receipt of a letter Mr R Anns requesting the hire of bowling equipment for the Swale league; this was discussed and agreed by the committee. The Treasurer agreed to notify Peter Winter (ESMBA) for insurance purposes.

A financial report & data sheet were handed out to the committee. The most two important fund raising events in the remainder of this season are the fashion show and the Open Pairs competition at Swale. The

Treasurer urged and hoped that these would be well supported by the members.

The bank balance stood at £14739.02. Coaches and the hire of Strood Leisure Centre were now fully paid up.

The next annual stock check is due on 31/5/2010. Three items still needed to be checked for this present year.

- (d) **EQUIPMENT UPDATE:** Mrs Watson reported that the mat with suspected water damage has now been checked and found to be fine.

Mr Carpenter reported that the county scoreboards were being damaged in storage. As the scoreboards are stored in front of the mats in open view it was agreed that the committee would investigate ways of altering the racking to create a special secure storage for scoreboards only. This would be reported on at the next meeting.

The Chairman will also communicate with Strood asking for their support to keep the KCSMBA equipment safe & secure.

- (e) **MATS & SURPLUS EQUIPMENT:** The Chairman reported that the mats on loan to Mote Park were being returned as they had found some cheap second hand equipment instead. He also asked that we log that the county still has a number of mats for sale should any clubs be interested.
- (f) **FUND RAISING:** Mrs Benton reported that the fashion show has 34 confirmed ticket sales with 38 more provisionally booked. She asked that anyone wishing to see the Chairman in tights should contact her for tickets.
- (g) **SPONSORSHIP:** The Chairman reported an approach from a Mr Craig Chisholm who was interested to make a donation to the KCSMBA in return for advertising his company. It was agreed that the Chairman would write back to agree to his offer.
- (h) **COACH UPDATE:** Mr Coles & Mr Carpenter agreed to investigate coach costs for the county games in 2010/11 season & will report back in the next meeting for further discussion.
- (i) **PRESIDENT:** The committee wanted it noted that no further nominations had been received since the last meeting however as per the constitution nominations would be accepted up to 1st April.
- (j) **CPO POSITION:** Mrs Davey agreed to define a draft job description for this role which will be reviewed by the committee thereafter.

Following the resignation of Mrs Spelman, any interested applicants should contact the secretary for further information.

- (k) **COUNTY REGALIA:** The Secretary confirmed that 20 new county badges had been ordered and will be available mid-summer.

Reference the service badge for long term county bowlers, Mr Coles presented an example for review. After some discussion it was agreed that a price should be investigated, Mr Coles to report back at the next meeting. In combination with this it was confirmed that Mr Wiedeholz is investigating the county players service record.

- (l) **AGM:** The Secretary confirmed that the AGM will be held on Sunday 13th June 2010, the venue is to be confirmed.

The committee would also like to highlight that any nominations or proposals need to be with the Secretary no later than 1st April.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) **ESMBA SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING:** The Chairman and Mr Coles reported that this meeting had now taken place and the request by Ms Morokutti for a vote of no confidence in the ESMBA committee was strongly rejected by the membership with a resounding 50 to 10 margin.

The ESMBA management committee had also asked for permission to employ a paid administration, after some discussion whereby the membership wanted a clearer & more defined employment contract the ESMBA decided to withdraw the proposal & resubmit it to the membership in a new SGM probably after their AGM.

Any Kent members interested in this role can contact the Chairman for further details or the ESMBA direct.

- (b) **CORRESPONDENCE:** Nothing received.
- (c) **GENERAL:** The committee wanted to record the sad passing of two of our county bowlers; Mr Reg Wager (Langley SMBC) and Mr Brian Porter (Snodland SMBC). Anyone or any club wishing donate in their memory should contact the Heart Of Kent Hospice for Reg Wager and The Paula Carr Trust for Brian Porter.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next Meeting would be held on Monday 10th May 2010 in Burham Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 21.55

SIGNED _____

DATED _____

Please send all stories/club news/club winner's information to Mick Sayer at micksayer@clara.co.uk for inclusion on the Kent Website www.kentshortmatbowls.co.uk

And also to the editor of our new newsletter Tony Mulcuck on tony@tmulcuck.wanadoo.co.uk

We need your support to continue these valuable assets!!