

MINUTES of a Committee Meeting held on 16th December 2009 at Burham Village Hall

1. MEMBERS PRESENT Mr T Rycraft, , Mr T Coles, Mrs J Davey, Mr D Carpenter, Mr A Spelman, Mrs S Watson, Mr C England & Mrs I Benton.
2. APOLOGIES Mr M Wiedeholz & Ms M Fitzgerald.
3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING It was proposed that the Minutes of the last Meeting held on 28th September 2009 be accepted. Agreed unanimously.
4. MATTERS ARISING (a) **COMPETITION SECRETARY'S REPORT:** To date all competitions had gone well. This years Triples will only see the mat winners going forward to the finals. The Triples & Pairs round robins had been completed.

In the Bowls & Brains only 12 teams have entered & Mrs Watson could not envisage any more teams entering so in her honest opinion she felt it best to cancel. The Committee agreed.

Nine teams have entered the club pairs on the 10th January so it was decided to go ahead with his competition.

The National local heats will be held at Ryarsh village hall on the 9th January 2010.

- (b) **TEAM MANAGER'S REPORT:** On behalf of Mr Wiedeholz, Mr Carpenter asked for clarification about the wording to be put on team supporters shirts; the Committee decided that the Kent horse logo was to be used. The shirt could also have the name of the person if they so desired it. Shirts would be paid for by supporters.

03-10-09

Kent B-Team win at Home- Kent B -Team 24pts (180 shots) vs. London 16pts (165 shots)

04-10-09

Kent Premier Win at Home- Kent Premier 38pts (258 shots) vs. London 2pts (109 shots)

Kent A-Team Win at Home- Kent A Team 40pts (296 shots) vs. East Sussex 0pts (143 shots)

17-10-09

Kent B-Team Lose at Home- Team Select side (non Badge players) 31pts (290 shots) vs. Kent B -Team 29pts (308 shots)

18-10-09

Kent Premier Win Away- West Sussex 13pts (158 shots) vs. Kent Premier 27pts (194 shots)

Kent A-Team Draw Away- West Sussex 20pts (172 shots) vs. Kent A Team 20pts (178 shots)

01-11-09

Kent Premier Win at Home- Kent Premier 22pts (184 shots) vs. West Sussex 18pts (156 shots)

Kent A-Team Win at Home- Kent A Team 23pts (184 shots) vs. West Sussex 17pts (181 shots)

Kent B- Team Win at Home- Kent B Team 21pts (185 shots) vs. West Sussex 19pts (159 shots).

07-11-09

Kent B- Team Win at Home- Kent B Team 30pts (187 shots) vs. East Sussex 10pts (182 shots).

15-11-09

Kent Premier Win Away- London 10pts (162 shots) vs. Kent Premier 30pts (211 shots)

Kent A-Team Win Away- Hampshire 15pts (180 shots) vs. Kent A Team 25pts (197 shots)

Kent B-Team Win Away- London 8pts (141 shots) vs. Kent B Team 32pts (212 shots)

21-11-09

Kent A- Team Win Away- East Sussex 16pts (150 shots) vs. Kent A Team 24pts (170 shots)

22-11-09

Kent B-Team Lose Away- Surrey 23pts (190 shots) vs. Kent B-Team 17pts (181 shots)

12-12-09

Kent Premier Lose Away- East Sussex 28pts (189 shots) vs. Kent Premier 12pts (146 shots) **Kent A-Team Friendly-** Kent A Team 26pts (194 shots) vs. Kent B-Team 14pts (146 shots)

If the Premier team win or come Runners up in their group they will have to play a preliminary round. If the A Team win their group they will progress straight to the quarter final.

Mr Carpenter also asked if the team managers could have a rule book each. Committee agreed.

- (c) **TREASURER'S REPORT:** The Treasurer reported that the financial position for 2009/10 was now clearer & possibly easier to forecast. She was very pleased that the membership received was on a par with the previous year (566 members compare with 587). It would really be lovely if a few more members could be registered. The number of affiliated clubs was 68 at the moment – a drop of 4 but they were a number of clubs still outstanding. The Treasurer emphasised that if these clubs had ESMBA insurance then it would be void and they should re-affiliate ASAP.

The financial forecast was, at the worst scenario, a small loss of about £1000 but the Treasurer recorded it was a extremely cautious budget and as usual a lot depended on how successful the county teams were as to whether the full allowance for coaches was used. It was hoped that, once again, the finances would break even.

- (d) **CRB UPDATE:** Everyone on the Committee plus the Premier, A and B team managers were now all CRB checked and cleared.
- (e) **MATS FOR SALE:** Three more mats had been sold including a mat to a club on the Isle of Skye. An improved offer for a mat was rejected.

The Chairman had received an email from Stone Lodge Indoor Bowls Club enquiring if the mats were only for sale or if they could be hired. The committee confirmed that both options were available and that mats could be hired for £10 per month for a maximum of 6 months.

Mote Park Indoor Bowls Club have now signed a formalised agreement for a mat loan purchase.

- (f) **PRESIDENT:** Three nominations, so far, had been received fir President:-
Tony Mulcuck – nominated by Ditton SMBC
Andrea Rycraft – nominated by Shorne SMBC
Bryan Smith – nominated by Wye SMBC
- (h) **COACH UPDATE:** Mr Coles reported that a coach firm had enquired why their recent quotation to supply coaches had not been accepted. Mr Coles was asked to reply, in percentage terms, how much higher their quotation was compared to the most competitive option.

Mr Coles and Mr Carpenter were asked to organise coaches for the forthcoming knockout rounds of the ICC competition.

- (i) **NEW CONTACT SHEET:** The Chairman would email the new contact sheet to Mrs Davey to laminate & put up at Strood.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) **COUNTY BADGE STATEMENT:** The county badge statement was reviewed by the committee & was accepted as a starting point to be included as an annex to the constitution & would be published on the website.
- (b) **CPO POSITION:** The Chairman asked if the role of the CPO should be formalised as a position on the committee. The terms of the appointment needed to be clarified for constitutional purposes and the committee agreed to investigate this further.
- (c) **WEBSITE:** It was decided that the front page of the website should be changed to show that Aford

Awards was the only sponsor for 2009/10. Any business or individual who would like to sponsor the association would be gratefully received. Please contact the Secretary for further details.

- (d) **CRB VERIFIER:** The committee congratulated Mrs Davey on becoming a CRB verifier for Tmg for Short Mat, Long Mat & Outdoor Bowls.
- (e) **CORRESPONDENCE:** Following a request from the umpires for expenses for the hire of Langley hall for umpire meetings, the committee agreed to financially support bi-annual meetings. This support would be backdated to their last meeting held in October 2009.

A letter had been received from the ESMBA minute secretary asking for support for an EGM. The committee decided that the county secretary should be asked to write to the ESMBA for clarification whilst reaffirming the committee's support to the ESMBA.

- (f) **GENERAL:** Mr Spelman reported that Mr Baker, had queried if the annex on Child Protection needed to be ratified at the AGM. The Secretary would be asked, to reply, on the committee's behalf, that it was not necessary.

Mr Carpenter reported that he had taken two tins of sweets to James Villas Holidays in gratitude for allowing the county teams to park in their premises. It was confirmed that these parking arrangements would be available for next season.

Mrs Watson requested that the Premier teams mat should be checked for water damage following the leaking roof at Strood.

Mr Coles asked that when arranging the domestic competition dates for 2010/11 could the possibility of playing on some Saturdays be investigated. It was agreed to look into this.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next Meeting would be held on Monday 25th January 2010 in Burham Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 22.00

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!!