

MINUTES of a Committee Meeting held on 16th June 2008 at Langley Village Hall

1. MEMBERS PRESENT
Mr T Rycraft, Ms M Fitzgerald, Mrs S Watson, Mr T Coles, Mr D Carpenter, Mr M Wiedeholz, Mrs J Davey, Mr A Spelman, Mrs I Benton & Mr C England.
2. APOLOGIES
Apologies for absence were received from Mr E Messer.
3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING
It was proposed that the Minutes of the last Meeting held on 7th May 2008 be accepted. Agreed unanimously.
4. MATTERS ARISING
 - (a) **COMPETITION SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Mrs Watson reported that competition paperwork for the coming season had been forwarded to clubs; she also confirmed that the Kent open pair's competition had been booked for 17th May 2009.

The presentation bowls day was confirmed for 31st August with the theme being one select team and the three county teams playing in a friendly four way challenge; ****non county badged players interested in playing in the select team should contact the secretary****
 - (b) **TEAM MANAGER'S REPORT:** Mr Wiedeholz reported that the summer league was looking promising at the halfway stage. There are two games left to play; Northants & Essex.

He requested a uniform review following a correspondence request from a group of county players; after some discussion an amendment to the existing uniform was agreed which will be confirmed to the players prior to the winter season.
 - (c) **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Mrs Davey reported that she attended a presentation by Tonbridge & Malling Council at the Angel Centre on the 22nd May to receive a cheque for £200. The council invited all this years recipients to apply next year.

The Treasurer handed out a report showing the major areas of income and expenditure over the last four years and the financial report. She requested that the committee think about expenditure over the next four years as we need to formulate a new plan and also complete a wish list highlighting new equipment to be purchased.

A stock take of assets has been started and this will be completed by 31st August. The main area to be checked is the stock cupboard at Strood.
 - (d) **TROPHIES:** Mr Coles confirmed that the trophies had been sent away for refurbishment; it was confirmed the presentation trophies would fall within the same budget as last year i.e. up to £500.

A question was raised as to whether a trophy should be presented to the winners of our Open Pairs Competition? After a brief discussion it was agreed to review this at the next meeting.
 - (e) **KCSMBA NEWSLETTER:** The Chairman confirmed that due to the number of issues requiring discussion he had deferred the editor of the newsletter Mr Mulcuck from this meeting to the next.
 - (f) **MATS FOR SALE:** After a short summary of association bowling equipment, it was agreed that the Chairman would re-contact known interested parties for the remaining mats.
 - (g) **KENT & SOUTHERN COUNTIES v ENGLAND:** The Chairman confirmed that confirmation for the above game had been received for 20/21st September. It will be held in Swale Indoor Bowls Centre and will involve both England senior & junior teams. The cost for the home players was agreed as £5 for one day or £8 for both days; raffle prizes will be expected from the players. Spectators will be welcome for both days.

The Chairman also confirmed that he had agreed with the ESMBA for half of the hall hire costs for the weekend. It was agreed that we would use this opportunity to fund raise.

- (h) **GENERAL FUND RAISING:** The following events for the forthcoming season were confirmed;-

Bowls & Brains – 3rd January 2009 at Snodland
Autumn Triples – 25th October 2008 at Snodland
KCSMBA Open Competition – 17th May 2009 at Strood
Race Night – Date to be confirmed at Burham.

- (i) **AGM:** The Chairman reported that a constitutional discrepancy had been noted with regards to the voting; seven representatives had voted on behalf of clubs that they were not registered in Kent with. This meant one problem with regards the Harrietsham proposal; as this was the only motion with split voting, everything else had unanimous agreement and was therefore not a problem.

It was therefore agreed that out of courtesy the Chairman would visit Harrietsham club to highlight this issue and confirm the possible next steps; it was also agreed that the committee would review this following the Chairman's visit to Harrietsham at the next meeting.

5. ANY OTHER
BUSINESS

- (a) **SPONSORSHIP/GRANTS:** Mr Wiedeholz confirmed that he hadn't been able to get any resolution as yet from his company with regards possible sponsorship.
- (b) **CHILD & VULNERABLE ADULT PROTECTION:** After a brief update and discussion it was agreed to adopt the ESMBA policy and to make an annex to the constitution referring to their policy & guidelines. A Child Protection Officer is required; the committee will ensure this position is covered in due course; it will not entitle the person to join the management team.
- (c) **KENT BOWLS DEVELOPMENT MEETING:** The Chairman confirmed that the next meeting will be held on the 3rd July and he will be attending.
- (d) **CORRESPONDENCE:** The Chairman confirmed that communication had been established with Cranbrook Leisure Centre; they are interested to start up a short mat facility and have asked for our assistance and help; after some discussion it was agreed that maybe an exhibition open day with our support might help lift this off the ground. The Chairman will contact the centre to discuss this idea further.

The Chairman read a letter from the Faulkner family from Newington thanking Kent, Strood Leisure Centre & the players for their support in aid of the Demelza House Charity Event.

- (e) **GENERAL:** Sadly Mrs Davey confirmed that Ray Owen one of the original committee members invited to our 20th Anniversary tournament did not arrive as expected. There was a small gift which is now unclaimed, Mrs Davey will therefore write to Mr Owen to invite him to our presentation day instead.

6. DATE OF NEXT
MEETING

It was agreed that the next Meeting would be held on Monday 28th July 2008 at Langley Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 10.05pm.

SIGNED _____

DATED _____

Anyone interested in either A or B Team Managers posts should send a CV to Mr Wiedeholz either by email mark.wiedeholz@infinis.com or by post to 9 Bredhurst Road, Wigmore, Gillingham, ME8 0PF by 1st August 2008

Please contact the Secretary if you have any donations for the Kent Youth Team

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!!

NB – CHANGE OF DATE

KCSMBA PRESENTATION DAY IS NOW SUNDAY 5TH OCTOBER

BEING HELD IN STROOD LEISURE CENTRE – ALL WELCOME!