



**Minutes of the 143<sup>rd</sup> Management Committee Meeting held at Ladock Village Hall on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2012.**

**Present:** Henry Kendall, Elise Daniell, Peter Hore, Chris Cawrse, Lesley Barker, Sheila Hodge, Derek Newton, Bob Flower, Ken Horrell.

**143.00 Chairman's welcome:**

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.31pm and welcomed everyone present.

**143.01 Apologies for absence:**

Nick Truscott, Nigel Nicholls.

**143.02 Approve and sign minutes of the 142<sup>nd</sup> committee meeting:**

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

Proposer: Ken Horrell

Seconder: Bob Flower

**143.03 Matters arising from previous meeting:**

None.

**143.04 Correspondence:**

Email from Victor Jones (ESMBA General Secretary) providing copies of Officer's reports for the ESMBA AGM on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2012.

Letter from Mr Eric Body (Withiel SMBC) appealing the County points deduction for the 2011/12 season. Matter to be discussed further under item 143.12.

Email from Mr John Wakelin (Boscastle SMBC) informing the committee of their decision to claim a County Summer League game following the late arrival of Dobwalls SMBC. Matter to be discussed further under item 143.12.

Letter from Mr Max Burden (Dobwalls SMBC) informing the committee of the dispute between Dobwalls and Boscastle Bees in the County Summer League and appealing the decision made by Boscastle Bees to claim the game. Matter to be discussed further under item 143.12.

**143.05 Treasurer's report:**

For the period 08/05/12 to 09/07/11:

Credits = £4990.60

Debits = £124.00

Total = £4866.60 profit for this period.

Proposer: Lesley Barker

Seconder: Bob Flower

**143.06 Membership Secretary's report:**

All club registrations have been completed and the entire County affiliation list was emailed to the Team Manager on the 17<sup>th</sup> June. We currently have 61 clubs with 1093 affiliated members, of which 5 are juniors. We finished last year with 1245 members, of which 13 were juniors. I am about to reissue Sections 1,2 and 3 (Management Committee, Registered Clubs and Constitution) incorporating this year's updates to contact details and the changes agreed at the SGM and AGM on 27<sup>th</sup> May. Some amendments are needed to Section 7 (Cornwall's

ESMBA Umpires) which I propose to check with the County Umpires Co-Ordinator before issue. Nick has been working on a new Section 13 on Child Protection. Once this has been finally approved by the committee I can put it into the standard format and issue it.

### **143.07 Competition Secretary's report**

All of the entry forms for the 2012/13 County Competitions were sent out to clubs last week and the closing date has been set as Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2012. The draws will take place on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September and will be sent out to clubs during the following week. I have also sent all of the entry forms and the fixture list to Nick so clubs should be able to download them from the website if necessary.

F.A.O Club Secretaries – From 4<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> August I am away on holiday so will not be contactable by phone, however I will be checking my emails every 2 or 3 days. Since sending the entry forms I have also found out that Assistant Competitions Secretary Nigel Nicholls is also away from the 7<sup>th</sup> August so neither of us will be able to answer phone calls through this period. However, with 3 weeks still to go after I get home before the closing date I am not anticipating this causing any problems. I would recommend email as a first point of contact as I will be able to answer this from abroad and if you feel a phone call is necessary then please wait until the 20<sup>th</sup>.

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

I have sent out 57 invites for the County Team 2012/13 and some have been returned already. I have met Anne Curtis about meals for the Inter-County matches and she is willing to provide meals for our players as well as the away teams if she knows in advance how many players want meals. The meals will cost £7.00 and will be two courses. I have sent out requests for coach quotes and I have had the following returned:

Roselyn Coaches	Somerset £596	Dorset £675
Hopleys Coaches	Somerset £460	Dorset £595
Williams Coaches	Somerset £480	Dorset £575
Wheal Briton Coaches	Somerset £580	Dorset £690

It was agreed that the County Team would continue to use Hopleys Coaches for their transport to the above destinations.

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

No Report.

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

No Report.

### **143.11 Area Representatives' report:**

**Central area:** I have received a letter from Cubert asking for some clarification regarding playing league matches over two mats where possible. It will be explained that this would be acceptable only in extreme circumstances such as severe weather conditions and only with the agreement of both captains as per the Rules and Conditions of Play.

**East area:** No Report.

**North area:** No Report.

**West area:** The West Area is yet to appoint an Area Representative. The County Secretary will write to the West Area committee asking them to appoint an Area Representative as soon as possible.

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

**Appeal from Mr Eric Body** – Mr Body wrote to the Committee for clarification about what he and his wife had done wrong regarding withdrawing from the Finals Day of a County Competition due to a medical reason which resulted in the deduction of points gained throughout the 2011/12 season. The County Competitions Secretary explained that as a substitute for the County Fours Finals Day had been found, no penalties were implemented as per the Rules and Conditions of Play. However, when Mr and Mrs Body failed to attend or find a substitute for the County 2 Wood Pair Finals Day a penalty unfortunately had to be applied according to CCSMBA Rule 9.4 (Section 8 of the CCSMBA Information Pack). The Committee considered amending the rules regarding the withdrawal from a Finals Day due to a certified medical reason. However, it was agreed that this could cause future problems with teams withdrawing before trying to find substitutes. The Committee, by majority vote, agreed that the rules

currently in place are sufficient and would hope that in future teams in this situation will actively try to find a substitute.

**Dispute between Dobwalls Club and Boscastle Bees** – As Derek Newton had a declared interest in this matter he left the room after explaining his version of the events. The committee received correspondence from both parties regarding a situation that occurred in the County Summer League on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2012. The fixture between these two teams was scheduled to be played at Boscastle beginning at 7pm. However, this game was not played and the game was claimed by Boscastle Bees under Section 9.1 “Start Times” of the Rules and Conditions of Play – Appendix 1 Area Winter League (under which the Summer League is also run) as the team from Dobwalls arrived around 20 minutes late. Boscastle explained within their email to the committee that they were fed up of teams arriving late thinking the start time was 7.30pm. Within the letter received from Dobwalls it is admitted that they thought the start time was 7.30pm but it states that they were held up by storm damage due to the bad weather conditions. The committee discussed this matter for a number of minutes and discounted the issue regarding the weather conditions. This was because Dobwalls club had been contacted earlier in the day to warn them about the problems on the roads due to the weather and also down to the fact that it had been admitted that they thought the start time was 7.30pm. In fact, as Dobwalls thought the start time was 7.30pm they actually arrived in time for the believed start time even with the weather conditions so the committee felt that this was not a valid excuse. The committee felt that good sportsmanship would be for the game to be played, however the committee unanimously agreed that they had no other option but to regrettably enforce Section 8.4 Rules and Conditions of Play – Area Winter League. Dobwalls Club will therefore be penalised 2 points and Boscastle Bees will be awarded 3 points with no shots scored for or against as per the North Area League upon which the Summer League is based.

**143.13      Any other business:**

**ICC Consolation Competition** – Deferred to the next meeting.

**County Safeguarding Officer / CRB Checks** – Deferred to the next meeting.

**Carmoggas Funding / Signs** – A meeting took place with Carmoggas on 5<sup>th</sup> June to further discuss the funding application with remains on going. A quote of £387.29 for two signs to be supplied and installed at Carmoggas for the CCSMBA had been received by a local supplier. The committee discussed this quote and felt that it would be beneficial to the CCSMBA to have these signs in place at Carmoggas and would therefore pursue this further.

Proposer: Chris Cawrse

Seconder: Ken Horrell

**Umpires Equipment** – A question had been received from the County Umpires Co-Ordinator asking if the committee would consider funding new umpire’s kit. The committee discussed this but felt that if any of our members wanted to become an umpire it was their own decision and part of this would be to buy their own kit. Just as if you were a new member, you would have to buy your own equipment in order to take part.

**143.14      Date of next meeting:**

The next meeting will be held 10<sup>th</sup> September 2012 7.30pm at Ladock Village Hall.

**143.15      Close meeting:**

With no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.44pm.

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

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

**Hon: Secretary: Elise Daniell**

**Dated: 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012**