



**Minutes of the 144<sup>th</sup> Management Committee Meeting held at Ladock Village Hall on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2012.**

**Present:** Henry Kendall, Elise Daniell, Peter Hore, Lesley Barker, Bob Flower, Ken Horrell, Ian Perry, Nigel Nicholls, Nick Truscott, Chris Roberts.

**144.00 Chairman's welcome:**

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed everyone present and introduced the new West Area Representative, Ian Perry.

**144.01 Apologies for absence:**

Chris Cawse, Derek Newton and Sheila Hodge.

**144.02 Approve and sign minutes of the 143<sup>rd</sup> committee meeting:**

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

Proposer: Peter Hore

Seconder: Ken Horrell

**144.03 Matters arising from previous meeting:**

None.

**144.04 Correspondence:**

Letters from Ricoh – Negotiations are on-going with Ricoh regarding the cancellation of the photocopier lease so that the CCSMBA can obtain a much cheaper deal

Email from Victor Jones (ESMBA General Secretary) providing a copy of the ESMBA Committee Meeting Minutes from the 26<sup>th</sup> May 2012.

Letter from Keith Hawkins (ESMBA ICC Secretary) regarding the ESMBA Information Pack. The CCSMBA have recently received copies of the ESMBA Information Pack in disc form (copies can be obtained by contacting your Area Representative or from Lesley Barker) however due to the amount of time it takes the ESMBA to produce the packs, the information is often out of date by the time clubs receive it. The ESMBA have also made a mistake on the rules section by publishing the old rule book rather than the new one. Due to this the ESMBA Committee have decided to create a new section on the ESMBA website for the Information Pack which will be updated every three months. Clubs will then be able to print off any relevant sections. Any clubs wishing a paper copy will be able to apply to Keith Hawkins and one will be forwarded on.

Letter from Keith Hawkins (ESMBA ICC Secretary) introducing the National Short Mat Top Club Competition. All clubs are invited to enter this new competition which will take place in counties or regions on a knock out basis with the last 16 teams playing in the finals to be held at TLH Leisure Resort. Copy of entry form enclosed.

**144.05 Treasurer's report:**

For the period 09/07/12 to 10/09/12:

Credits = £2200.50

Debits = £484.97

Total = £1715.53 profit for this period.

Proposer: Lesley Barker

Seconder: Chris Roberts

The CCSMBA is still without a Treasurer, clubs are reminded of the importance of our current volunteers who

spend many hours of their own spare time to keep the Association running for it's members. Without a complete committee the Association will not be able to continue to function, therefore the committee would encourage any member thinking about volunteering for this position to approach a member of the committee asap.

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

Additional member registrations have been coming in and the entire updated County affiliation list was emailed to the Competition Secretary in advance of the County Competitions closing date of 8<sup>th</sup> September. I have also emailed their own list to each Area Rep in preparation for the winter league programme. We now have 1136 affiliated members (of which 5 are juniors) affiliated through our 61 clubs. Sections 1, 2 and 3 (Management Committee, Registered Clubs and Constitution) have been updated incorporating this year's revised contact details and the changes agreed at the SGM and AGM on 27<sup>th</sup> May. Section 7 (Cornwall's ESMBA Umpires) has also been updated having been checked with the County Umpired Co-Ordinator. Nick's new Section 13 on Child and Vulnerable Adult Protection Policy is on the agenda for tonight. I have not yet sent out any amendments as Nick is also working on putting the complete Information Pack on the website where most Committee members and clubs will be able to view them. I have sold the last of our stock of ESMBA Rulebooks and will now order a fresh supply.

I shall be away from the middle of October to the beginning of December so would suggest that clubs do their utmost to let me have any affiliation updates before 12<sup>th</sup> October. Any amendments after that date will not be processed until I return, but clubs will be able to put new players into matches as long as Area Reps are notified in advance. Clubs should email/write to me as usual to await my return but also make sure that their Area Rep is advised before putting the new player into their team.

#### **144.07      Competition Secretary's report**

The closing date for County Competition entries has now passed, apart from the Under 25s and Champion of Champions, and I am pleased to say that every competition has seen an increase in entries. Compared to last year's entries we have received 112 more entries across all of the competitions, which is certainly one of the biggest increases in recent years, possibly even the biggest (17.36%). On top of that we also have one extra entry in the Rae Francis competition. The entry forms for the National Championships have been sent out, with a closing date of Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2012. The national finals will move venue once again this year and are to be held at Bromsgrove Indoor Bowls Club. The draws for the county competitions will take place this Saturday (15<sup>th</sup>) at Luxulyan Village hall at 2pm. The draws will then be forwarded to all clubs the following week and will appear on the county website as soon as possible.

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

No Report.

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

No Report.

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

I have expanded the number of organisations that press releases will be sent to as I have been able to get in contact with some community radio stations who have agreed to use our reports on their websites. The County Summer League is drawing to a close with the final being between the Nomads and Dobwalls Club; the Nomads have a large advantage of 19 shots following the first leg away to Dobwalls who will be hoping to turn this around at Newlyn tomorrow (11<sup>th</sup>).

#### **144.11      Area Representatives' report:**

**Central area:** Our area meeting has been held and the draw for teams has been done. We have again had the issue regarding the County Treasurer raised to which I advised that a letter should be sent to the County Secretary voicing the concerns but I did inform the person voicing the concerns that the committee have been left with little choice in the current situation.

**East area:** No Report.

**North area:** A meeting was held in July which all but 2 clubs attended. Congratulations were given to Lanteglos for winning the Bebbington Cup and to Tintagel for winning the Rae Francis. Clubs were asked to get as many entries as possible for County Competitions and also for players for the Inter Area. We also had 44 entries for the Northern Competitions. Our next meeting will be held on 20<sup>th</sup> September.

**West area:** As mentioned in the minutes of previous meetings, the West Area has "secured" the

membership of another club, Gweek. Their numbers are made up principally from St Keverne SMBC who are unable to use their hall during the afternoons. For the time being they will be playing only in the local afternoon leagues. We also have hopes of persuading members of Bickford Smith BC to broaden their horizons by asking West Area clubs to contact them with a view to playing some friendlies which might lead to a desire competitive play. I also intend to talk to Truro BC who currently play on a social basis. Our league programs start in a couple of weeks and a full programme of local knockout competitions will be discussed at the pre-season meeting arranged for this Thursday.

**144.12            Items for discussion from correspondence (if necessary):**

None.

**144.13            Any other business:**

**Rules Amendment:** A discussion was held regarding the points penalties for teams in the Northern Winter League and the Summer League following recent events which led to a team being awarded an extra point from a game following penalties due to a mistake in the way the current rule as written. It was proposed that point 8.4 Rescheduling of Fixtures, Appendix 1 Rules and Conditions of Play – Area Winter League should be amended so that the conceding team are penalised by 4 points and the opposing team will be awarded 2 points plus the 2 bonus points for the game in the Northern Area/Summer League. The Committee agreed by majority vote for this point to be amended and implemented for the coming season.

**Signs for Carnmoggas:** Following the previous meeting a cheaper revised quotation of £345.77 has been obtained for two signs to be supplied for the CCSMBA which will be installed at Carnmoggas Holiday Park.

**ICC Consolation Competition:** Deferred to next meeting.

**County Safeguarding Officer/CRB Checks/Section 13 of the CCSMBA Information Pack:** Nick Truscott agreed that he would continue in the role of County Safeguarding Officer and would contact the National Safeguarding Officer to obtain CRB forms to be completed for himself, County Competitions Secretary, Assistant Competitions Secretary and the County Team Manager who have regular contact with junior members or vulnerable adults. It was also agreed that the updates to Section 13 of the information pack should now be put into format and included with the rest of the updates to the CCSMBA Information Pack.

**Uniform:** Following a query from a club, a discussion was held regarding whether club shirts could have two colours. The committee looked into both the CCSMBA and ESMBA rules and it was agreed that the CCSMBA rule would be amended to follow that of the ESMBA which would allow shirts to have two colours. It was also agreed that small bowls manufacturer's logos on shirts would be acceptable.

**144.14            Date of next meeting:**

The next meeting will be held 19<sup>th</sup> November 2012 7.30pm at Ladock Village Hall.

**144.15            Close meeting:**

With no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.21pm.

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

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

**Hon: Secretary:    Elise Daniell**

**Dated: 14<sup>th</sup> September 2012**