KENT COUNTY SHORT MAT BOWLING ASSOCIATION

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PRESIDENT
E. Messer

CHAIRMAN
B. Smith

SECRETARY
Ms M Fitzgerald

MINUTES of a Committee Meeting held on 22nd March 2005 at Kingswood.

1. MEMBERS PRESENT — Mr B Smith, Mr E Messer, Ms M Fitzgerald, Mrs I Benton, Mr D Ford, Mrs J Davey, Mr C England & Mr T Rycraft.

2. APOLOGIES — Apologies for absence were received from Mr D Carpenter & Mr R Nicoll

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING — It was proposed that the Minutes of the last Meeting held on 16th February 2005 be accepted. Agreed unanimously.

4. MATTERS ARISING

(a) **COMPETITION SECRETARY'S REPORT:** In the absence of the Competition Secretary, The Secretary reported that the pairs, triples and fours competitions had now been completed. Mr Nicoll only has 20 entries so far for the Club Championships and is hoping to run with at least 24 triples.

(b) **COUNTY TEAM RESULTS:** The Chairman informed the meeting of the county's recent results;

Kent Premier v Norfolk (1/4 Final)	32 points to 4 points
Kent Premier v W. Midlands (Semi Final)	19 points to 17 points
Kent Premier v Essex (Final)	22 points to 14 points
Kent 'A' v Staffordshire (1/4 Final)	23 points to 13 points
Kent 'A' v W. Sussex (Semi Final)	10 points to 26 points
Kent 'B' v W Sussex (Win Shield)	30 Points to 22 points

The Chairman went on to congratulate the Premier team & offered his commiserations to the A team. He went on to thank the spectators for their support for both teams during the season.

(c) **SQUAD MANAGER UPDATE:** The Secretary informed the meeting that following the interviews on the 1st March, Mark Wiedeholz from Tunbury had been nominated by an independent panel for the post of County Squad Manager. The Committee ratified this suggestion; the Secretary was asked to write to Mr Wiedeholz to welcome him to his new post, which will be subject to contract; he will be invited to the next meeting for a general discussion on his appointment.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(a) **TREASURERS REPORT:** The Treasurer informed the meeting that the Association Bank Account stood at £8484.66; everything seems to be on target as forecasts.

Demelza House are using Snodland for a competition on May 2nd 2005 and have asked to use the county mats. Mrs Davey suggested we let them have them free of charge; Committee agreed.

(b) **STROOD LEISURE CENTRE:** Mr Rycraft reported that the meeting between Mr Ford, Mr Carpenter and Mrs Davey took place & following this meeting, provisional bookings have been forwarded to Strood, as yet no formal response has been received, however Mr Rycraft did report that Strood had verbally commented that the bookings should all be ok. This will have to be reviewed again at the next meeting.

(c) **PRESENTATION EVENING:** Following some discussion whereby different options, locations & dates for this years presentation evening, it was finally decided that the Committee would organise a barn dance on one of the following dates; 14th or 21st May, location will be confirmed at a later date.

(d) **BRITISH ISLES INTER TEAM CHALLENGE:** Following the Kent Premier team's success in this year's final, Kent is required to host the above tournament. Mr Messer reported that he has started enquiries for venue, hotel & other details that will need to be worked on. A date has been confirmed for this event from 2nd to 5th December 05. Mr Messer also reported that he has informed the new Squad Manager of proceedings so far and that he has agreement to work on this project from him. Further details will be issued as and when they are known.

(e) **GENERAL:** With the formal resignation of this years Competition Secretary, the protocol for issuing the ranking list was re-confirmed; the Competition Secretary will confirm to the Committee the complete standings after the last competition is finished, this will then be reviewed by the Committee and a cut off point for the county squad will then be agreed, this list will then be issued to the Squad Manager & all clubs by the Secretary including detail of new badge holders.

Mr England reported that the Junior squad has a game planned for 8th May to be held in Hawkinge, he also announced a possible challenge home & away game with Mote Park long mat to be held 22nd/23rd October, further details will be issued nearer the time.

He also made a request for donations of any spare bowls equipment for the junior players; anybody with information should contact the Secretary.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next Meeting would be held on 28th April 2005 at Kingswood, commencing at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 10.40pm.

SIGNED B. Smith

DATED 28/4/05