MINUTES of a Committee Meeting held on 1st September 2004 at Kingswood.

1. MEMBERS
PRESENTMr E Messer, Ms M Fitzgerald, Mrs I Benton, Mr R Nicoll, Mr C England, Mr D Carpenter, Mrs J
Davey & Mr P Ramsden.

2. APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were received from Mr B Smith & Mr D Ford.

 3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING
 It was proposed that the Minutes of the last Meeting held on 21st July 2004 be accepted. Agreed unanimously.

In the absence of both Chairman & Vice Chairman, The Treasurer agreed to act as Chairperson. Mrs Davey welcomed Phil Ramsden to the meeting.

MATTERS (a)
 COUNTY MANAGERS REPORT: Mr Ramsden opened his report by saying that he recently held a Manager's meeting & was pleased that they are all communicating with each other & heading in the same direction, he also reported that Gary Allard from Hawkinge & Nicky Bartlett from East Farleigh will be taking over the running of the Juniors, it has been decided to up the age limit to 25 to help the younger bowlers. Gary Allard has agreed to speak with the Manager of Hempstead Valley about sponsorship; hopefully this will mean that Hempstead can continue to be the Juniors home base free of charge.

Mr Ramsden also reported that unfortunately a few players have dropped away from County Games this season. Mr Carpenter proposed that a Questionnaire be put together & sent out to all clubs requesting their input. The Committee agreed this is a good idea and would like to appeal for volunteers to organise this task; *if interested, please contact the Secretary by 1st December.*

Mr Ramsden went on to say that he has had boards made up for the A & B teams displaying their sponsor's details. He also showed the Committee a few items he would like to be considered, the first being a new county jacket that matches the new shirts at a cost of £17.50 each, these will also be shown to all county players, second, a new lapel badge to replace the current county badge, the new badge has a bar to include the year you won your county badge; costs have been put forward and will be discussed at the next meeting.

Mr Ramsden also asked if a flyer could be arranged to put up at clubs that at present do not affiliate to KCSMBA – Committee to discuss further.

(b) <u>COUNTY COMPETITIONS:</u> The Competition Secretary confirmed that paperwork for the County Competitions had now been sent to all clubs. The Competitions are being held at Hawkinge Community Centre over eleven dates, however, one of these dates need to be changed due to a clash with the Inter County Championships.

Mr Messer has agreed to approach Hawkinge and ask if we can store some equipment there until the end of the competitions.

Mrs Davey proposed a vote of thanks to Mr Nicoll for all his hard work.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS
 (a) TREASURERS REPORT: The Treasurer informed the meeting that the Association Bank Account stood at £3674.59, the Treasurer also confirmed that a cheque had been received for £350 from Warmans Leisure Holiday; the Secretary will write a letter of thanks to Warmans for this sponsorship.

Mrs Davey also confirmed that a meeting took place with Mr J Rycraft where he handed over cashbook, invoices, bank statements and a cheque book for the Junior account. The Treasurer recommends that this Junior account is closed and the finances consolidated – Committee agreed.

Mrs Davey asked the Committee if a Finance Sub-Committee could be set up – Committee Agreed. Finance Sub-Committee: Mrs Jan Davey Mr Derek Ford Mr Derek Carpenter

(b) **CORRESPONDENCE:**

The Secretary informed the meeting that the next ESMBA AGM will be held on 9th July 2005 at Roade in Northampton.

(f) <u>GENERAL</u>: Mr Nicoll stated that the County really needs to invest in a trailer to transport equipment to and from County & Competition games. Mr Ford has agreed to look into this and would be willing to store the trailer at his home. To be discussed further.

Mr England announced that Tony Mulcuck from Ditton Club is thinking of scrapping the county newsletter due to lack of information, the Committee agrees this would be a great shame and would like to urge clubs to send in any news & reviews to Tony to keep this publication alive.

Mrs Davey proposed a vote of thanks to Mr England & Mr Ford for their hard work in retrieving the County mats & equipment from Larkfield Leisure Centre. The Committee agreed to pay 20p per mile for Mr England's fuel costs.

The Committee have agreed that in the absence of a Rules & Regulations Officer, Mrs Benton should cover this position. Mrs Benton asked if umpires can make their availability known by ringing the Secretary.

6. DATE OF NEXT
MEETINGIt was agreed that the next Meeting would be held on 6th October 2004 at Kingswood, commencing at
7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 10.30pm.

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