

KENT COUNTY SHORT MAT BOWLS ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT

D.J. Butters

CHAIRMAN

E. Messer

SECRETARY

Mrs. A. Rycraft

MINUTES of a Committee Meeting held at Tovil Working Mans Club on Tuesday, 4th December, 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

1. MEMBERS PRESENT E. Messer, A. Mulcuck, D. Butters, Mrs. C. Wells, Mrs. L. Hampson R. Hampson, J. Rycraft and Mrs. A. Rycraft.
2. APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were received from E. Pocklington, L. Frampton and G. Hibbert.

Apologies were also received from the Chairman, Mr. Messer, for his absence for part of the Meeting owing to a League Match. He requested the President, Mr. Butters, to take the chair in his absence which the President readily agreed to do.
3. MINUTES Minutes of the last Meeting held on 30th October, 1990 were read and agreed.
4. MATTERS ARISING
 - a) COUNTY TIES: The Secretary, on behalf of Mr. Hibbert, presented three samples of material showing the proposed County emblem. The decision as to which sample was most suitable, was postponed until the Chairman returned to the Meeting.
 - b) INSURANCE OF MATS: The Treasurer confirmed that the cheque for £100.00. had now been forwarded to the Prudential in this respect.
 - c) RULE BOOKS: The Secretary confirmed that the Kent County Rule Book was now on sale to Members at 70p per copy.
 - d) OPEN COMPETITION AT PONTINS HOLIDAY CAMP: Further discussion on this project was also delayed until the return of the Chairman to the Meeting.
 - e) SINGLES COMPETITION: Apologies were received from Mr. Mulcuck for being unfit to Umpire the Singles Competition on Sunday, December.
 - f) COUNTY TEAM -v- NORFOLK: The Secretary confirmed that she had written to Mr. Brian Kinsey, Sports Development Officer for Sevenoaks, accepting his offer of a venue for this match, at Edenbridge and requesting confirmation of any charges to be made for the day.
5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS
 - a) TRAILER: Mr. Mulcuck, after prior discussions with the Chairman, proposed that, should funds be available, the Association purchase a second-hand trailer for the transportation of mats for Competitions. The Secretary confirmed that in the absence of Mr. Pocklington and Mr. Frampton, they had requested her to state their agreement of this proposal. It was agreed that this proposal be discussed further at a later date.
 - b) UMPIRES COURSE: Mr. Mulcuck also proposed, after having been approached by several Members, that he organize a Kent County Umpires Course. He confirmed that, with the assistance of the President, a written and practical exam would be organized, hopefully in the Spring of next year. The cost of hiring halls for this purpose would be investigated by Mr. Mulcuck.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS c) CONTINUED

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer confirmed that:-

- i) The raffle at the first day of the Singles Competition had raised £120.00. less the cost of the prizes.
- ii) Cheques totalling £75.00. had been received from Lodge Sports Hubble & Freeman and Inplay, in respect of relevant advertisements in the new Rule Book.
- iii) The Bank balance stood at £178.00. and the Building Society at £2,581.00. with outstanding commitments due to the Black Lion for Competitions to date.
- iv) 100 Lady bowler badges had been purchased and would be on sale at Competitions for £1.00. each.
- v) A cheque for £109.00. had been paid to Grain in respect of the hire of their hall and the buffet provided for the County match against Essex. A further £40.00. in Marks & Spencer vouchers had been forwarded to the 8 ladies of Grain Club who prepared the magnificent buffet, as appreciation of the Association's thanks for their hard work.

d) A.G.M.: The President proposed that a date and venue be agreed for the A.G.M. Mrs. Wells offered the facilities of the Maidstone Community Support Centre which was accepted by Members present. A tentative date of 17th February, 1991 was agreed on the provision that this would be available. Mrs. Wells to confirm.

e) SECRETARY'S REPORT: The Secretary confirmed that:-

- i) She had written to the Mellotones Dance Band who had been booked for the Presentation Dinner Dance and had received a reply, confirming the booking for 27th April, 1991.
- ii) She had been contacted by Apples Bowls Club from E. Peckham who had requested further information about our Association and who were interested in joining Kent Bowls next season.

f) PRESENTATION DINNER DANCE: The President requested that when the booking was made for 1992, if possible, the last week of April be avoided as he would normally be unable to attend at this time. Noted by the Secretary.

g) VOTE OF THANKS: Mr. Mulcuck stated that the Members of Ditton had expressed their appreciation of the first day of the singles competition.

CHAIRMAN'S RETURN TO THE MEETING: The Chairman thanked the President for taking the chair in his absence.

h) COUNTY TIES: A decision was reached between Members present as to which emblem for the tie was to be ordered. The Secretary confirmed that she would contact Mr. Hibbert regarding this matter.

i) CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: The Chairman reported that:-

- i) He had been approached by Mr. Hibbert regarding a nearly new mat for sale in East Kent. The Chairman proposed that the Association purchase this mat at £120.00. which was agreed by Members present.
- ii) Regal Green would now be supplying the mats for the open competition at Pontins and that the Association would be given two mats, free of charge, after this event.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS
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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT CONTINUED: The Chairman reported that:

- iii) He confirmed that he had written to Pontins Holiday Camp accepting arrangements regarding next year's booking. One or two points were left in abeyance however and as soon as these are cleared, Pontins would proceed to promote this venue. After a query from Mrs. Wells as to accommodation at Pontins in respect of her disabled members, it was stated that non-playing visitors would be accepted by Pontins but people would not be allowed to play in the Competitions unless they were booked in to the Camp. Mrs. Wells confirmed that she would be contacting Pontins personally, to qualify the facilities available in respect of the disabled. It was suggested that, in due course, a list of all Kent County Clubs should be forwarded to Pontins by the Secretary in order that information could be forwarded to them by Pontins.
- iv) The Treasurer, Secretary and Chairman had visited Tricia Ives in Sussex, during November, to discuss the running of the two Associations. Unfortunately, Mr. Mulcuck had been unable to continue with the journey to Sussex when he was taken ill en route and had to return home. Tricia Ives had since written a letter to the Chairman thanking him and the Rycrafts for their visit.
- j) PAIRS & RINKS FINALS: It was agreed that a further date was required for the final rounds of both the pairs and rinks. The Treasurer to contact the Black Lion to ascertain dates available, possibly 3rd March, 1991.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next Committee Meeting would be held at Tovil Working Mans Club on Tuesday, 8th January, 1991 at 7.30 p.m.

Meeting closed at 9.25 p.m.

Chairman



Date 8.1.91