

KENT COUNTY SHORT MAT BOWLING ASSOCIATION  
 MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE MEETING  
 Held 20:00pm on 15<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at Zoom Meeting Room

1	CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS	
2	MEMBERS PRESENT	Mr T Rycraft, Mr B Baker, Mrs L Wynn, Mr R Offord, Mr N Tresadern, Mr A Ellis.
3	APOLOGIES	Apologies from Mr G Allard , Mr A Plowman.
4	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS	The minutes of the Zoom meeting held on 4 <sup>th</sup> February 2021 were agreed.
5	MATTERS ARISING	<p><b>NT</b> had arranged for the access to the ESMBA drop-box for Kent emails to be updated and that the revised access password would be sent to the chairman. He also said that there had been no progress in obtaining access to the secretary e-mail on the Kent website ( <a href="mailto:kcsmba.secretary@gmail.com">kcsmba.secretary@gmail.com</a> ).</p> <p><b>BB</b> further raised the question of free registration for a member's first year but nobody could clarify when or where this was derived from. This arrangement would need to be clarified and agreed at our next AGM.</p> <p>As the 'Word' version of the current Kent Constitution could not be located <b>BB</b> had commenced to reconstruct it from the pdf version on the website and was reformatting it at the same time.</p>
6	TREASURER'S REPORT	Treasurer absent.
7	CORRESPONDENCE	None
8	GENERAL UPDATE	<p><b>BB</b> confirmed that he had been able to access the <a href="mailto:kent@esmba.co.uk">kent@esmba.co.uk</a> emails and had forwarded all relevant ones since January 2020 to his own inbox. He would forward those relating to ESMBA AGM proposals for both the 2020 and 2021 meetings and committee minutes to all Kent committee members. The postponed 2020 AGM would take place immediately before the 2021 AGM whenever that may be. Several counties had questioned the need for a minimum of six player registrations for a club to be recognized and for all club players to be registered for the third party liability insurance cover. There were also some e-mails from Kent clubs to the Kent secretary regarding registration etc and he would forward those to <b>LW</b>. <b>BB</b> would continue to monitor this email and forward significant ones to the committee.</p> <p><b>NT</b> had signed off a further three clubs with Safe Bowls status and another was imminent. He also had three or four new enquiries to progress. He thought that there may be a surge in enquiries with the approach to the possible relaxation of restrictions on May 17<sup>th</sup> and was trying to make contact with NLL to make that a Safe Bowls venue. It is not currently known what restrictions may apply to short mat bowls when the general national restrictions are lifted.</p> <p>It was not yet possible to set any definite time scale for an AGM but a sufficient time was needed to invite proposals and nominations from clubs and to circulate these back to clubs for their considerations before an AGM date. The next committee meeting should be soon after the expected relaxation of restrictions due on 17<sup>th</sup> May.</p> <p><b>BB</b> said that he had noticed a number of parts of the constitution that he was working on which would benefit from amendments when we do have an AGM. He would attempt to complete the reconstruction of the 'Word' version before the next meeting and highlight possible change areas.</p> <p>It was noted that a provisional date for the ESMBA AGM was 24<sup>th</sup> July.</p>
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11	NEXT MEETING	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> May at 20:00 at Zoom meeting room.
12	MEETING CLOSED	21:00
	SIGNED	Gary Allard
	DATE	20/05/2021