

EASTERN COUNTIES CARPET BOWLS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of committee meeting held on Thursday 26th February 2004 at the New Astley Club, Newmarket.

No apologies for absence.

No matters arising from previously circulated minutes.

The Chairman thanked Bedfordshire for hosting the Charity Team Bowl, where £691.00 was raised for the Pasque Hospice. The chairman read a letter of thanks from the Pasque Hospice, which was handed to the secretary to keep on file.

Secretary had nothing to report.

The treasurer reminded all Counties that they can only claim for the hire of the hall and reminded everyone to put claims in as soon as they could, there was nothing stopping Counties that knew how much hire costs were, in putting in their claims now.

The treasurer recommended that the joining fee remain at £50 and it would be good if Counties could pay that at the AGM. Norfolk asked if you could pay all match fees up front the treasurer confirmed that she would gladly take the money.

Match fees of £3.00 per player and raffle, she recommended to remain the same.

The League Secretary reported that the league was running smoothly and he distributed the current league tables to each County. Next time he will try and email results out.

He then asked that referees wear badges so they can be identified to be asked to measure. Also to make sure that carpets were marked with the delivery boxes.

Team Bowl 2004

Maureen gave out results. In the future it was agreed that the raffle would be drawn and displayed on board after last game at all Eastern County Competitions.

It was requested that at the AGM we would propose that the pairs go back to 3 woods and 7 ends.

There was some discussion about better trophies, but the committee decided that trophies would be kept to a minimum and give more of the money to Charity.

Champion of Champions 2004

It is being held on June 20th at Needham Market. It was agreed that the roll of honour on the programme would show the last 3 years due to the space and have a full roll of honour displayed at the tournament. Singles will play 4 woods and the other disciplines 2 woods each and the triples and the fours would be given an hour to play.

Six Counties 2004

It is being hosted by Norfolk and will be held at Wymondham. Counties were told that catering could be slow and taking own food was recommended.

Champion of Champions 2005

Discussion was had about moving the Easterns competition before the English. It was suggested that league games start earlier in the year. After a lot of discussion and trying to find free dates it was left that the league secretary try and come up with suggestions before the AGM.

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The treasurer said that she would not be available for re-election at the AGM. The Chairman thanked her for all the hard work that she had put in and she would be greatly missed. All counties were asked to have a think who could become treasurer.

Next Meeting will be AGM on Thursday 17th June 2004