

## EASTERN COUNTIES CARPET BOWLS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2004 at the New Astley Club, Newmarket.

No apologies for absence.

The minutes of the 2003 Annual General meeting having been previously circulated were agreed to be a true record.

Matters arising – We did take out insurance with Pegasus.

The Chairman gave her report attached.

Secretary had nothing to report.

Treasurers report – Gill said goodbye after 12 years and asked that the committee to give their full support to the new treasurer. When renewal of insurance comes through she will pass it on. We have a healthy balance due to putting league match fees up. It was agreed that match and membership fees to remain the same. *Balance sheet attached.*

League Secretary's Report – He congratulated Cambridge for winning the league. Said it had ran well. Reminded referee's to wear their badges.

The following officers were elected

Chairman	Margaret Southgate
Secretary	Sandra Gammage
Treasurer	Maureen Giddens
League Sec	Rob Washbrook
Tournament Sec	Maureen Giddens

There was a lot of discussion on the new date format that Rob had circulated. The new agreed dates are attached.

### AOB

Amendment to the chairmans report that Ron and Anne Dodd from Norfolk had won the English Pairs at the Champion of Champions.

Norfolk said that they would be playing their league games at Wortwell on three mats.

The team bowl to be held at Cambs, it was agreed that the pairs would be 3 woods and 7 ends.

Maureen to update list of duties- see attached

League fees to be paid in October.

Maureen agreed to take on buying trophies.

Date of next meeting – October 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Chairmans Report AGM 17th June 2004

Tonight is the end of an era, we are saying goodbye to our longest serving Officer, Jill has been our Treasurer since the Eastern Counties Assn was resurrected on 27th February 1992. I am sure you will all join me in offering our thanks and appreciation for all she has done for the Association and hope she will enjoy her bowls without having to worry as to whether all the counties have paid their playing fees and having to make numerous phone calls to chase the delegates prior to the year end.

Our bowling season started with the 6 Counties Championship hosted by Cambridgeshire and this was won by Suffolk, we then all went to Seacroft for National Championships when Cambridgeshire did the double, although it was a very close run thing. We then started the league matches and in January went to the Putteridge Centre in Luton for the Teambowl, Cambridgeshire were still on a roll and ended the day as winners, their success continued throughout the league season and they again ended the year as league winners. Our last event of the year is Champion of Champions which will take place this coming Sunday and we wish all participants the very best of luck. Two weeks ago at the National Champion of Champions there were several very tight results and I would like to congratulate Rebecca Gammage, Craig and Mick Hearn of Hertfordshire on winning the Triples title and commiserations to the Singles player from Essex and the Rink from Cambridgeshire who missed out by a few shots.

My thanks go to Maurcen Giddens who has done an excellent job as our tournament secretary and to Rob Washbrook in keeping us up to date with the league tables also Sandra for sending the minutes out so promptly. I have already mentioned Jill as our Treasurer and I thank her once again for all her work over the years.

M J Southgate  
Chairman

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