

EASTERN COUNTIES CARPET BOWLS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of committee meeting held on Thursday 14th October 2004 at the New Astley Club, Newmarket.

Apologises from Bedfordshire.

Minutes of last meeting were signed as a true record.

Matters arising the chairman thanked Rob for coming up with the new format of dates.

For the smooth running

The chairman thanked Norfolk for the smooth running of the Six Counties, she was disappointed that Cambridge had not returned the shield to be presented back to themselves. The Chairman has now presented the shield. Maureen from Cambridge apologised and said that it would not happen again. The Chairman then wished Cambridge good luck on Friday night at Hemsby in their match against Northumberland.

Secretary had nothing to report .

The treasurer said that all was going well and all counties except one had paid the league fees. At the moment the balance is £3296.45 with the only major expense expected is the hire of the halls for games. She reported that all competitions had made a profit.

League secretary said that he would distribute league score sheets before the first game. Reminded counties to make sure referees wear their badges, He wished everyone good luck for the new season.

Six Counties 2004

The venue was good and Norfolk were thanked again for the smooth running of the event. Maureen distributed the results and gave a special thanks to Lin for doing the scoring on the day. It was disappointing again that people had left before the presentation was made.

Team Bowl 2005

Will be held at Littleport in Jan. Cambridge have not yet chosen a charity. Entry fees to be paid to Maureen £84.00 on the day and each county to give £10.00 raffle. Games will start at 9.30am.

VAT

Ann explained about paying or not paying VAT on hall hire.

AOB

Rob brought up about having individual membership. There was lots of discussion and food for thought.

Discussion was had about the development of bowls.

Bedfordshire suggested that the competitions be centralised and be played at Littleport. Each county would still take turns in administration on the day.. Also each County would still have its turn at choosing the Charity for the team bowl. Cambridge were happy to supply the mats and equipment.
All counties to go back to their committees and discuss for next meeting.

Next meeting will on Thursday 10th February 2005