

EASTERN COUNTIES CARPET BOWLS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the AGM held Thursday 16th June 2005

No apologies received

Minutes of last AGM were signed and agreed.

No matter arising.

Chairmans Report

The Chairman welcomed the two new representatives from Bedfordshire. Chairmans report attached.

Secretary had nothing to report.

Treasurers Report

The treasurer distributed balance sheets that were very well presented and she informed us that they had been audited. She reported that we have a healthy balance and it was agreed that the fees remain the same for affiliation and league fees. Suffolk proposed that we adopt the accounts and this was seconded by Norfolk and carried.

League Secretary

Congratulated Suffolk for winning the league and said that Essex had a good season. It was good that it all went to the last game. The final positions were as follows:

Suffolk	124
Essex	113
Cambs	112
Norfolk	84
Herts	72
Beds	35

He reported that the league had ran smoothly last season.

Election of Officers

Chairman	Margaret Southgate
Secretary	Clare Lord
Treasurer	Maureen Giddens
League Sec	Rob washbrook
Comp Sec	Maureen giddens

It was agreed that the league match in November 2006 will be moved to 29th October 2006.

The team bowl is to be held at Braintree Leisure Centre and the charity is going to be Essex Air Ambulance. Normal refreshments will be available.

The insurance for the coming year will be with the same company as there had only been a small rise.

Next Meeting will be Thurs 6th October 2005 at The New Astley Club Newmarket at 8.00pm

Chairmans Report to AGM on 16th June 2005

At the AGM last year we had a long discussion on the revised programme of events which Rob Washbrook had obviously spent a lot of time reorganising and from September this year we will start using this new calender. I would like to record my thanks to Rob, especially as he is resigning this year as our league secretary.

We again showed our dominance in the sport last November when Cambridge as Eastern Counties champions beat Northumberland on Friday night and then went on to win the National Championships over the Saturday and Sunday with Suffolk as runners up. The league was completed in April with Suffolk coming out on top but for the first time the second place in the table was taken by Essex with Cambridge third. I believe that Suffolk will be playing against Durham for the overall league title this year so I wish them all the best of luck.

The National Champion of Champions have recently been held at Barnsley and the eastern counties were again well to the fore. The Suffolk pair of Andy Gilder and Jeremy Brown from the Barking club won their discipline whilst the Essex triple of Anthea, Daniel and Mervyn Bush from the Langham club won the triples. Essex also won the team trophy. I would like to congratulate all the bowlers who took part in the event because they have all won their own county championships and so qualified to represent their county at both the national champion of champions and this coming weekend at the Eastern Counties champion of champions. I wish them all well, I am sure we will see some excellent bowling.

The other two events when we all get together are the Six counties championship which was hosted by Norfolk and won by Cambridge and the charity teambowl hosted by Cambridge and also won by the host county, it seems that they could do no wrong but it does mean that the other counties know that they must keep trying and success will come their way.

This has been the first year that Maureen Giddens has been treasurer and I think it is fair to say she was a little concerned a year ago but she has made an excellent job and I would like to thank her for all she has done.

As I said at the beginning of this report Rob Washbrook has decided to step down and at the same time we are going to lose our secretary Sandra Gammage and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them both very much for all they have done for the association and wish them well in the future, I hope we will continue to see them at our County events.