EASTERN COUNTIES CARPET BOWLS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of meeting held at the New Astley Club, Newmarket on Thursday 12th March 2009

Apologies

Mervyn - Essex

Minutes from Previous Meeting

Minutes from previous meeting were signed and agreed.

Matters Arising

Maureen has booked Littleport from 2010 for the Team Bowl & Braintree has been booked for the 6 Counties.

Hertfordshire mentioned that they had issues with the venue for the 2009 Team Bowl as prices were very high. As the profit made on the day is to go to the chosen charity of Hertfordshire then it may be a possibility for this event to be held at Littleport.

Chairman's report

The Chairman congratulated Cambridgeshire for winning the 2008 National Championships, the final result was very close with Cambridgeshire having 18 more shots than Suffolk. Also congratulations were given to Cambridgeshire for winning the North v South on the Friday evening.

It also looks as though Cambridgeshire have won the league this season, well done Cambridgeshire.

As this is the last meeting before the AGM, just a reminder that Clare will be resigning from Secretary, therefore any nominations/volunteers for Secretary or other position please come forward.

Margaret is available for re-election as Chairman this year but will not be standing in 2010 so more volunteers required please!

Secretary's Report

The secretary had nothing to report

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer reported the balance as:

3772.70 Business Premium Account

1764.91 Community Account

55.88 Cash in hand

5593.49

Reminder – hall hire charges for this season are to be forwarded to Maureen asap, the ECCBA year end is end of April and Maureen needs to complete the books for auditing. There will be no entry fee for the 6 Counties at Littleport in April but £10 donation for the raffle prizes is required to be paid to the host County.

League Secretary's Report

Results so far:

Cambridgshire 97 Suffolk 81 Essex 80 Norfolk 75 Hertfordshire 66 Bedfordshire 33

Rob apologised for the incorrect league table that was issued.

It was raised that some Counties do not appear to be following the correct playing order. Please can ALL Counties follow the format as per the score sheets issued by Rob.

Also please allow at least 4 weeks notice for home game info to be passed to the away County as this seems to be slipping.

Review of Tournaments

National Championships, Blackpool - Winners Cambridgeshire

6 Counties 2009 - Cambridgeshire will be using 6 mats from Milton, 4 from Soham and 2 from Littleport. Please note that only food purchased from the bar may be eaten in this area. All other food has to be eaten in the main hall.

Champion of Champions - Needham Market, May 10th 2009 - Maureen will issue programmes.

Maureen has drafted a set of rules relating to ECCBA games. This is to be agreed at the AGM, any amendments that are required please contact Maureen.

Any Other Business

No other business was raised.

Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 11th June 2009 - AGM

Meeting closed at 9.10pm