## EASTERN COUNTIES CARPET BOWLS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of AGM held at the New Astley Club, Newmarket on Thursday 11th June 2009

## Apologies

No apologies received.

## Minutes from Previous Meeting

Minutes from previous meeting were signed and agreed.

## Matters Arising

No matters arising.

### Chairman's report

Chairman gave her report - see attached.

## Secretary's Report

The secretary thanked Margaret & Maureen for their support during her 4 years as secretary.

#### Treasurer's Report

Maureen will ask Mr Wilson, the Auditor, to sign the accounts in future, Margaret signed this years copy of accounts.

Insurance renewal is due in July, Maureen had not received any correspondence from Endsleigh.

Balance stands at £3457.30

## League Secretary's Report

Rob apologised for the incorrect league tables being issued. Apologies also given to Norfolk who had not received the league tables via email.

A league table was issued after all games had been played but due to a breach of the rules which was to be discussed later in the meeting, final standings were not confirmed.

Cambridgeshire	126
Suffolk	107
Essex	96
Norfolk	95
Hertfordshire	76
Bedfordshire	46

#### Review of Tournaments

Bedfordshire were able to attend all Eastern Counties events this year.

Results from the 2009 Champion of Champions held at Suffolk were:

Singles - Cambridgeshire Spencer Maltby

Pairs - Suffolk Triples - Suffolk Andy Gilder, Mick Watkins Michael, Rita & Paul Daniels

Fours - Essex

Marie & John Rookard, Marie & Peter Boyton

Team - Suffolk

Thanks were given to Maureen for completing the score sheets.

Team Bowl winners - Cambridgeshire

6 Counties winners - Cambridgeshire

### Election of Officers

Chairman - Mrs Margaret Southgate

Secretary - Bedofrdshire, Margaret to make contact with Trevor Tumber

Treasurer - Mrs Maureen Giddens

Competition Secretary - Mrs Maureen Giddens

League Secretary - Mr Rob Washbrook

Auditor - Mr Billy Wilson

#### Fees

The treasurer could see no reason to increase the fees for the coming season.

Annual ECCBA subscription

£50 to be paid within 28 days of the AGM

League Fees

£360 to be paid before first league game in Oct

Competition Fees

£3 per player

#### Insurance

Renewal due in July.

#### Discussion - Letter from Hertfordshire

Peter Jones apologised to Hertfordshire in that Suffolk had used 3 substitutes during a league match. The Suffolk Captain was not aware of the ruling on substitutes as Peter had been too slow in passing over the paperwork.

After much discussion on this topic the Suffolk apology was accepted by Hertfordshire.

# Proposals

Cambridgeshire

An amendment to the rules relating to Eastern Counties events.

Players Names

Prior to the commencement of a League Match the Team Captain is to issue to the opposing Team Captain, the names of their team players. Should a substitute be used after the Team Sheet has been issued, the name of the substitute player must be informed to the opposing team captain before taking part in the match.

It was agreed that a team sheet was to also be issued for the 6 Counties & Team bowl events. For these two events team captains are to hand in the team sheet to the main desk prior to commencement of games, any substitutes used are to be reported to the main desk.

All Counties in favour.

Add to section that covers Substitutes

Should more that 2 substitutes play in a match, the 2 points for the game where the extra substitute is used will automatically go to the opposing team.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that if more than 2 substitutes were used in a league match, then the 2 points would automatically be given to the opposing team.

If more than 2 substitutes were used in the 6 Counties or Team Bowl events then the County would be disqualified.

All in favour.

Maureen will amend the rules accordingly.

Any Other Business

No other business was discussed.

Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 15th October 2009

Meeting closed at 9.55pm

# Chairmans Report to AGM on 11th June 2009

This year I am pleased to say we have not had as many problems as in the past two years. However we never go through the year without at least one problem and this year was no exception but that matter will be discussed later in this meeting.

Since our AGM in 2008 we have seen Cambridgeshire win the Teambowl in September followed by a very close finish to the National Championships in Blackpool with Cambridgeshire winning by 18shots from Suffolk and they completed the set by also winning the 6 Counties in April. Our last event was the Champion of Champions when the Club Teams from the Closed Championships of each County played as Representatives of their County and the results from this event was Singles—Cambridgeshire Pairs—Suffolk Triples—Suffolk Fours—Essex and Team Suffolk Congratulations to all the winners. I would also like the say Thank You to the Counties who have been our Hosts at all of our events

Tonight we say goodbye and thank you to Clare our Secretary who has done an excellent job for the last 4 years, I hope she will still attend at least some of our meetings with Gerald. Maureen has once again kept the Finances in good order and produced all the Formats. Programmes and paperwork for all our events. This is not a 5 minute job but I have never heard her complain. She also went through all of our Minutes to pull together the decisions which have been made at various meetings and produced a Document which states exactly what has been decided by you the Delegates over several years. Finally thanks go to Rob who once again has been the League Secretary.

We held our usual 2 committee meetings during the year and I thank the Delegates who contribute at these meetings so that we know that all our decisions are made democratically, you all have an equal voice and the Officers try to carry out your wishes

Chairman

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