

EASTERN COUNTIES CARPET BOWLS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the meeting held at the New Astley Club, Newmarket on Thursday 11th March 2010

1. Apologies

Mr M Bushe, Miss R Gammage.

2. Minutes from Previous Meeting

The minutes from the previous meeting were agreed and signed subject to one correction; that Essex (Mr M Bushe) had given apologies.

3. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Chairman's Report

The Chairman had nothing to report.

5. Secretary's Report

The Secretary had nothing to report.

6. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported that Barclays have changed the title of the account from Business Premium to Business Saver and the current balance is:

£4,174.71 Business saver Account; £850.61 Community Account; £86.31 Cash,
giving a total balance of £5,111.63.

Hall hire fees will be due shortly together with costs of trophies. Counties are reminded that the financial year for Eastern Counties ends in April.

7. League Secretary's Report

The League Secretary apologised to the Chairman for forgetting to post her copy of the League table! There was a discussion regarding the situation – should it arise - of equal points awarded within the league table. Rob had not found any record in earlier minutes of an agreed solution. Following a short debate the following ruling was agreed:-

In the event of points being equal, placings shall be determined by consideration of 'Shots For' then, if necessary, 'Shots Against'.

It was also agreed that to avoid any misunderstandings this ruling will be added to the rules for every tournament - where appropriate.

8. Review of Tournaments

The Chairman commented that there have been no tournaments since the last meeting but she wished to record her congratulations to Cambridgeshire for their success in the Inter-League Trophy event at Norbreck Castle in November 2009. Suffolk won the following National Championship, Cambridgeshire were 2nd and Sunderland 3rd.

8. cont'd.

Forthcoming events:-

11th April, the Six Counties Championships to be held at Braintree, hosted by Norfolk.

Maureen reported that the programme has been completed and will be issued shortly. Clare Lord is the main contact and gave a reminder that refreshments need to be pre-ordered by 11.00am. Maureen will provide the score-sheets and Clare confirmed that Norfolk have organised mats, a PA system and the Raffle – for which a 'spend' of £90 was confirmed.

9th May, the Champion of Champions event – also at Braintree, hosted by Essex. Maureen has prepared the programme and this will be issued together with the Six Counties programme.

26th September, the Teambowl at Littleport, to be hosted by Bedfordshire. Maureen will provide the paperwork. Two additional mats have been donated to Littleport and Maureen will organise any further mats.

9. Any Other Business

The Secretary will request, compile and issue an up-date of County representatives' contact details.

The Chairman reminded all that this is her last period in office (Margaret has been Chair since 1998) and to date there has been no response from counties. Trevor agreed to continue as Secretary for one more year and gave advance apologies for absence at the forthcoming AGM.

10. Date and Time of Next Meeting

Annual General Meeting on 10th June 2010 , New Astley Club, Newmarket at 8.00pm

Please note the date which has been altered to suit most members availability!

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.20pm.