

# **EASTERN COUNTIES CARPET BOWLS ASSOCIATION**

**Minutes of a Committee Meeting  
held at the New Astley Club, Newmarket, on Thursday 14th March 2013 at 8.00pm**

Present: Officers: M. Walker- Chairman  
M. Giddens – Secretary & Treasurer  
County Representatives: G. Savage (Beds), B. Giddens (Cambs), M. Cook (Herts),  
G. Sutton (Norfolk) and N. Jolly (Suffolk)

1. **Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from M. Bushe - Essex and R Hearn - Hertfordshire.

2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 18th October 2012 were confirmed.

3. **Matters Arising**

Ref Item 7 ii relating to the hire cost at Braintree. An email had recently been received to confirm a 10% discount for the 2014 booking.

4. **Chairman's Report**

The Chairman had nothing specific to report relating to the Eastern Counties but commented on the following items from the English CBA committee meeting.

The Chairman Tony Cuthbert will be standing down at the AGM. With the Festival of Bowls held at Potters at this moment in time it is unknown of his input with the running of this event.

After 2013 the National Champion of Champions will no longer be held at the Norbreck in Blackpool. A venue for 2014 is to be arranged.

5. **Secretary & Treasurers Report**

The account stands at:

Business Saver Account £4,160.76 Community Account £1,107.18 and Cash £85.32  
totalling £5,353.26

With the year end at the end of April, apart for the Six Counties Championships, the main expense will be for the cost of hall hires following the league matches. These costs to be advised as soon as possible but by the end of April so they fall within the same financial year.

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6. **League & Tournament Secretary's Report**

No report had been forwarded by the League & Tournament Secretary.

The programmes for the Six Counties Championships and the Champion of Champions have been produced and uploaded on the website.

7. **Review of Rules in preparation for the AGM**

- i. The rules regarding postponement of league matches were discussed. This was raised following the match between Norfolk and Cambridgeshire being rescheduled after the last set of games.

After discussion it was left that should a match need to be rearranged, every effort should be made for the match to be played before the last set of matches are played.

- ii. **Registration**

Clarity was needed regarding players taking part in the county disciplines and taking part in county team events.

Under the Registration section it was suggested to add:

Once played in a closed competition or county team match for a county, that is the county you have chosen to represent for that season, and is the only county you can play in either closed competitions or county team events during that season.

This will be put forward at the AGM.

8. **Any Other Business**

Norfolk suggested that raffle tickets are sold at £1 per strip instead of currently 50p per strip. With no other county supporting this it was left for each county to decide on the price they sell the raffle tickets.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.00 pm.

In confirmation of the foregoing minutes.

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Chairman

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Date