

SOMERSET SHORT MAT BOWLS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the meeting held by the above Association at Donyatt Bowling Club on 12th May 2016 at 7.30pm.

Present

Chairman.	Mr. Ian Collier
Vice Chairman	Mr. Geoff Nixon
Secretary	Mrs. Eileen Zoers
Competitions Organiser	Mr. Keith Hawkins
County Captain	Mr. Andrew Cowlin
South Somerset Rep	Mr. Alan Berry

Apologies

Apologies were received from, Mr. Mike Browring, James Scoins and Mrs. Jan Evett.

Minutes of the last meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held 21st March 2016 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising

a) Donyatt up date.

Geoff has spoken with Joe about the area outside the fire doors on April 23rd and was assured it was in-hand. Joe has also had someone in re the lighting. It was agreed to keep this item on the agenda.

Cost of rinks. It is understood that it was initially agreed that we would pay £50 per rink. The practice of mats being placed across all the rinks and not using the top area has resulted in us now incurring a cost for use for all the rinks. Andrew said he spoken with Joe and as a result Joe only charged £25 per half rink on that one occasion but has continued to charge £50 whenever the mats placed across any rink. It was agreed that Andrew would speak with Joe about the cost of the rinks.

b) Website.

Ian reported that he had met with James Hibbit and could report the logo was looking better however, it was noted the mace needs straightening. We need picture to form a montage.

Ian asked that following information is sent to him as soon as possible:

- Eileen send list of club contact details and details for SSMBA committee members.
- Keith to provide information about the competitions, including a diary
- Andrew to provide information about the County squad and ICC
- Ian would speak to James for information about leagues taking place in Somerset

Treasurers report

None tabled.

Andrew reported that collection of information about those who drove to away marches when the teams reached the knockout rounds so that they could receive a contribution to their fuel cost is in hand.

Secretary's report.

Eileen reported that after consultation with Ian, as Chairman the AGM has been booked for 25th August at Donyatt.

Keith offered to get someone for the Bowls Development Alliance to speak before the meeting, it was agreed to move the start time to 7pm to accommodate this.

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Competition Organisers report

Keith reported that:

The Spring Competition results for the Fours and Triples.

Fours were won by Kingscliffe with Ilchester the beaten finalist.

Fours Plate was won by Hadspen with Templecombe the beaten finalists.

Triples were won by Templecombe with Middlezoy the beaten finalists.

Triples Plate was won by Middlezoy with Camalot the beaten finalist.

It was suggested that a Triples Summer League could be played in the afternoon at Donyatt. Another suggestion put forward was possible knockout league perhaps in the Nat West format.

Eileen reported that we have received a complaint about use of e-cigarettes while playing. After a discussion it was agreed that people should not be smoking in any manner when on the mats. A note to that effect would be produced to inform players.

County Captains report

Andrew reported that the dates for the ICC have yet to be finalised as Devon and Cornwall wish to change a date.

The trials would be organised for August, Andrew would advise clubs accordingly.

Youth Team Report.

Alan reported that youth team had played in a three County match that included Dorset, Devon and Somerset.

Maddy has been offered a place in the England Under 21s, Alex has been offered a place in the England Ladies.

Alan has undertaken the updating training for Safeguarding.

Future Development of Short Mat Bowls in Somerset.

It was agreed to leave this for discussion for another meeting.

ESMBA

Eileen reported that she had sent an email to Barry Hedges, chairman of ESMBA enquiring when membership card will be available for those who joined during 2015/16 and when rules books will be available and to date has had no response.

District representatives report.

No report was made given.

Any Other Business.

There was no other business

Date of the next Meeting.

No date was agreed

Signed

Date