



DEVON COUNTY INDOOR BOWLS ASSOCIATION

**Ken Brenchley
County Secretary**

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING HELD AT MID-DEVON INDOOR BOWLING CLUB ON 30TH SEPTEMBER 2019

1 NEW PRESIDENT GEORGE MABON OPENED THE MEETING WITH A WARM WELCOME TO ALL AND THANKED MID DEVON FOR HOSTING US AGAIN. GEORGE THEN ASKED ALL PRESENT TO STAND AND TAKE TIME TO REFLECT ON THE SAD LOSS OF BILL DOLAN AND HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THIS COMMUNITY OVER THE YEARS.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE WERE RECEIVED FROM MOUSA AL-KORDI, LARRY CROXFORD, KEITH YOUNG, BARRY GELDARD, KEN WHEELER, PAUL GRIFFIN, TREVOR KNIGHT, MIKE SAMPSON AND MIKE GORMAN.

3 THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HAVING BEEN PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED WERE APPROVED AND SIGNED OFF.

4 THERE WERE NO MATTERS ARISING

5 THE MEETING THEN RECEIVED WRITTEN REPORTS FROM MATCH SECRETARY, TREASURER, UNDER 25s MANAGER, INTER LEAGUE SECRETARY, WEBSITE MANAGER, FIXTURE SECRETARY, AND COUNTY SECRETARY. A COPY OF THESE REPORTS ARE ATTACHED TO THESE MINUTES AS IS THE WRITTEN REPORT FROM THE COLTS/UNDER 18s MANAGER.

OUR SAFEGUARDING OFFICER REPORTED ON THE ONGOING CHANGES IN LAWS IN REGARDS TO SEPARATE GENDER CHOICES BEING INTRODUCED IN TO LAW AND WE MUST ALL BE CAREFULLY AWARE OF THE IMPLICATIONS FOR ANY PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR SAFEGUARDING RESPONSIBILITIES IN ANY FORM. COUNTY COMPETITIONS WERE REPORTED BY KEVIN PHILLIPS TO BE BEING SENT OUT IMMINENTLY AND ENTRY FORMS WERE AND POSTERS WERE ON WAY TO CLUBS.

COUNTY COMPETITIONS ORGANISER CHRIS BEER REPORTED THAT ALL ENTRIES WERE IN FOR COMPETITIONS. HE THEN CONDUCTED THE DRAW OF THE OPTIONS FOR EACH COMPETITION FOR 2020/2021 ASSISTED BY JOHN SAYER. THE OPTIONS CHOSEN WEREAS FOLLOWS:

**CHARLES PARROTT OPTION 6
COUNTY TROPHY OPTION 3
TOP CLUB OPTION 1**

IN ANSWER TO A QUESTION FROM THE FLOOR IT WAS CONFIRMED THAT COUNTY SEMIFINALS WILL BE HELD AT ISCA ON 22ND MARCH 2020 AND COUNTY FINALS DUE TO BE HELD AT AXMINSTER ON 28TH MARCH 2020.

OVER 60s COUNTY TROPHY. WITH THE ADDITION OF TWO ADDITIONAL TEAMS IN THIS YEARS COMPETITION, THE GROUP POTS WILL HAVE TO BE REDRAWN TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF SEPARATION OF TEAMS FROM SAME CLUBS AND ALSO TO TRY TO REDUCE EXCESSIVE TRAVELLING.WHEN DONE THIS INFORMATION WILL BE SENT DIRECTLY TO ALL CLUBS.

COUNTY SECRETARY IS TO SEND VACANCIES NOTICES TO ALL CLUBS AND WILL BE LOOKING TO APPOINT NEW REGIONAL COORDINATOR TO REPLACE KEITH WEEKS WHO IS STEPPING DOWN NOW. IN ADDITION KEITH WILL BE RELINQUISHING THE POST OF MATCH SECRETARY ALON G WITH KEN BRENCHLEY AT THE AGM IN 2022. IN AN ATTEMPT TO GAIN A SEAMLESS SUCCESSION FOR THESE IMPORTANT POSITIONS WE WILL ADVERTISE FOR AN ASSISTANT FOR EACH OF THESE POSITIONS TO COMMENCE IN ABOUT FIFTEEN MONTHS.

6 KEVIN PHILLIPS REPORTED THAT OUR FIRST GAME IN THE LIBERTY IS AGAINST DORSET AT ISCA AT 10-00AM ON SATURDAY 26TH OCTOBER. OUR FIRST GAME IN THE INTER COUNTY OVER 60sTROPHY IS AGAINST SOMERSET ON TUESDAY 22ND OCTOBER WITH THREE RINKS AT EXONIA AND THREE RINKS AT BRISTOL. HE ALSO CONFIRMED THE OVER60s TRIALS WILL BE HELD AT MID DEVON ON FRIDAY 11 TH OCTOBER AT 9-30AM.

KEVIN CONFIRMED THAT THE COUNTY O60s TRIALS AS POSTED ON WEBSITE FOR SOME TIME WILL TAKE PLACE ON 11TH OCTOBER AT MID DEVON. IT HAD BEEN HOPED THAT ALL CLUBS WHO HAD PLAYERS WHO WERE INTERESTED WOULD HAVE CONTACTED APPROPRIATE PERSON BUT IN THE EVENT ONLY KINGSLEY NOTIFIED THE SELECTORS OF THEIR INTEREST. THE SELECTORS FELT THAT THEY KNEW WHO WOULD FORM THE SQUAD TRIALISTS AND WOULD PROCEED ON THAT BASIS.

IT WAS THE COUNTY INTENTION TO OFFER ENCOURAGEMENT TO PLAYERS WHO FELT THEY HAD THE NECESSARY ABILITY TO PLAY FOR THE COUNTY OVER 60s TO PUT THEMSELVES FORWARD AND HOPEFULLY IN THE FUTURE THAT WILL HAPPEN.

7 AS MENTIONED ABOVE NICK OLIVER PRESENTED HIS EARLY SEASON COMMENTS.HE ALSO WISHED TO PLACE ON RECORD HIS APPRECIATION AND THANKS FOR AN ANONYMOUS DONATION OF FIFTY POUND FROM A MEMBER HERE TONIGHT TO BE USED TO HELP FUND SUPPLY OF JACKETS FOR OUR YOUNGSTERS.HEHOPEFULLY MENTIONED HIS GRATITUDE IF ANYONE ELSE WOULD LIKE TO FOLLOW THE LEAD GIVEN.

THERE HAD BEEN CONCERNS RAISED BY NICK AND KEN AS TO THE REVISIONS IN THE DRAW PROCEDURES GIVEN AND CHANGED BY EIBA. KEN HAS WRITTEN AND BEEN IN CONTACT WITH EIBA AND MIKE BIRCH UNDERTOOK TO USE HIS GOOD OFFICES TO TRY AND GET PROPER CONSULTATIONS BETWEEN COUNTIES

IN THIS MATTER AS THIS HAS SAFEGUARDING IMPLICATIONS FOR YOUNGSTERS BEING SPLIT IN TO HOME AND AWAY FIXTURES ON SAME DAY WITHOUT PROPER CARE FOR THEIR WELLBEING. NICK IS AT PRESENT IN DISCUSSIONS WITH COUNTIES IN OUR GROUP TO COME UP WITH A SATISFACTORY AGREEMENT TO PROCEED IN THE COMPETITION.

8 PROPOSAL TO REVISE GENERAL COMPETITIONS RULES BRINGING RULES SIX,SEVEN AND EIGHT UNDER ONE RULE. WHILST THE PROPOSAL HAS BEEN ON WEBSITE FOR A PERIOD OF TIME THE SECRETARY READ THE COMPLETE PROPOSALS TO THE MEETING.

THE CHANGES WERE PROPOSED BY JOHN BERRY AND SECONDED BY KEVIN PHILLIPS. THE VOTE TAKEN SUBSEQUENTLY APPROVED THE PROPOSAL UNANIMOUSLY. THE RULES WILL BE AMENDED ACCORDINGLY.

9 REVIEW AND ARBITRATION OF RULES HAD BEEN ADEQUATELY COVERED IN ITEM 5 OF AGENDA BY INTER CLUB ADMINISTRATOR.

10 COUNTY SECRETARY TOLD MEETING OF IMPORTANCE OF JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT SUCCESSION.HE HAS ASKED SIDMOUTH FOR A NOMINATION BUT AS OF THIS DATE HE HAS HEARD NOTHING. IF HE DOES NOT HEAR FURTHER THEN HE WILL PROCEED TO THE NEXT CLUB DUE TO SUCCEED.

11 DAVID BUTTERWORTH REPORTED THAT HE WAS HAPPY WITH AFFAIRS OF THE WEBSITE AND EVERYTHING PROCEEDING AS NORMAL.

12 GDPR REPORT FROM KEN WAS AS USUAL RAPTUROUSLY RECEIVED.HE DID EMPHASISE THAT LATEST COMMUNICATION REGARDING REGISTRATION FEES TO INFORMATION COMMISSIONER (GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT) BE ADDRESSED. QUESTION SIX OF ICO FORM REGARDING CCTV MUST BE ANSWERED AND THE RESULT OF THAT QUESTION WILL DETERMINE THE NEED FOR REGISTRATION FEE TO BE PAID OR NOT.

13 KEN SPOKE OF COUNTY TOUR ON BEHALF OF LARRY CROXFORD AND READ HIS REPORT.KEN ADDED THAT HE HOPED THAT EVERYONE WOULD HURRY UP WITH THEIR DEPOSIT PAYMENT AND ALSO LET THEIR CLUB COLLEAGUES KNOW ABOUT THE TOUR AS NOTICES ARE NOT ALWAYS READ. LAST YEAR WAS A GREAT SUCCESS AS WILL THIS YEARS BE.

14 ON BEHALF OF THE VICE PRESIDENTS ASSOCIATION KEN CONFIRMED THAT HE WOULD BE ACTING AS SECRETARY / TREASURER FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS UNTIL MOUSA COMPLETED HIS TERM AS DCIBA PRESIDENT AND THEN WOULD SUBMIT HIMSELF AS THE NEW SECRETARY/TREASURER. IN REPLY TO A QUESTION KEN DID CONFIRM HIS INTENTION TO MAINTAIN THE IDENTITY OF THE VPS BUT ALSO THAT FINANCIALLY THE VPS WOULD BECOME A PART OF DCIBA ACCOUNTS WHEN PRACTICABLE.A FULL PROGRAMME OF FIXTURES HAD BEEN SET FOR THIS YEAR THANKS TO THE SUPREME EFFORTS OF OUR COUNTY FIXTURES SECRETARY TONY DAVIES AND PLANNING IS UNDERWAY FOR

2020/2021 BUT WITH A REDUCED FIXTURE LIST AND GAMES NOT CLASHING WITH COUNTY AND PRESIDENTS GAMES.

15 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

JOHN BERRY ASKED THAT THE SAD PASSING OF MICHAEL MARKS THE SECRETARY AND EXECUTIVE REPRESENTATIVE TO OUR COMMITTEE FROM MADEIRA BE RECORDED IN THESE MINUTES. THIS WAS APPRECIATED BY THE COUNTY SECRETARY WHO GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGED THE CONTRIBUTIONS MADE TO DCIBA BY MICHAEL AND HE WILL BE GREATLY MISSED BY BOTH US AND MADEIRA. OUR SYMPATHIES REST WITH HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

NICK OLIVER REITERATED HIS THANKS FOR HIS ANONYMOUS DONATION RECEIVED FOR THE COLTS AND CONFIRMED HIS PLEASURE AT THE PROSPECT OF RECEIVING MORE.

16 THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING WAS SET FOR 27TH JANUARY 2020

17 PRESIDENT GEORGE CLOSED THE OFFICIAL BUSINESS OF THE MEETING AT 8-40 PM AND WISHED ALL A SAFE JOURNEY HOME.

ADDENDUM to DCIBA EXEC MINUTES 30/9//19

There was an omission from the report from John Berry on behalf of the U25s whereby he could not really accept the time delay between the first and second games that the team had to play in the National U25s which appeared inordinately long. Mike Birch agreed to take up the issue with EIBA at the earliest opportunity.

David Butterworth in his report concerning the league competitions stated that all teams MUST observe Rules by notifying him of A and B Squad Names prior to season starting.

The County Finals Day will be at Axminster on 19th APRIL 2020 and not as stated previously.

The date of DCIBA AGM will have to be rearranged and you will be informed as soon as possible.

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