



Suffolk **Carpet Bowls** *Association*

**The Minutes of an Executive Committee Meeting of
The Suffolk Carpet Bowls Association
Held at Needham Market Community Centre
On Monday 20th March 2006**

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm

Those present: John Varden, (Chairman) Jim Goodrich, Richard Sago, Carl Buckle, Keith Hull, Margaret Southgate (Vice Chairman), Sally Goodrich, David Cobbold, Derek Brown, Marion Brown (Secretary), Tony Webber Rita Daniels, Steven Cain

1. Apologies for absence:- Paul Goulding, Mick Watkins, Keith Armes
2. The minutes of the meeting of 30th January 2006 were proposed by Keith Hull, seconded by Rita Daniels and confirmed by the meeting as a true record and signed with the alteration at item 11 that the proposal for Summer leagues was carried on a vote with one abstention.
3. Matters Arising from 2.
Item 5. The demonstration of carpet bowls at Framlingham did not take place and the Secretary would seek to rearrange this
Item 12. Winter league Rules: Sally Goodrich would produce a breakdown for the committee after the season had ended.
4. Chairman's Report: -
I would like to start my report by congratulating the County captain, Selectors and members of the County team for winning the County Championship for 2005/6. This was won yesterday by a victory over Essex . Well done to everyone involved.
My thanks are also given to Jeremy Brown who organised the County Junior Tournament held in Burstall Village Hall on Sunday 26th February. This event was well run and although the entry was down on last year, the standard of play, together with the high level of sportsmanship, was a joy to watch and did great credit to everyone involved. The organisers report is circulated with these minutes.
I would now like to thank Richard and Jane Sago and Rita Daniels for all their hard work in organising the County Singles, Pairs, Triples and Rinks competitions. Whilst they would, I am sure, wish to thank the helpers who have brought the equipment on a rota basis to enable these events to run, we must not forget the ultimate responsibility and effort they put in our behalf. Last but by no means least, I would like to mention the Suffolk Charity Rinks Tournament at Brackenbury Sports Centre in Felixstowe on Sunday 16th July where our nominated beneficiary is to be Mutiple Sclerosis. Arrangements are progressing well so far. I am delighted to announce that, through the efforts of Keith Hull we have secured sponsorship for at least £300 from Ipswich Plumbers and Keith has also gleaned some other valuable prizes to add to the three main Prizes of T.V. Combi, DVD and food hamper. Sally Goodrich has also sent out letters produced by our Secretary Marion to local businesses with some encouraging results. The Books of draw tickets have been printed and are now ready for distribution to member clubs and I would ask for players to support this county effort to bring some benefit to those less fortunate than ourselves. Our thanks are also due to Meld leisure for providing the mats and equipment for this event
5. Secretary's Report: Marion had received an offer from David Schofield of a trophy for a Club Champion of Champions singles tournament, we are thankful to David for offering this, the Committee agreed to pursue the idea.

6. Match Secretary's Report:- Up to date league tables were circulated. The Chairman's Plate final would be between Stanningfield and Belstead and the Joe Rice cup between Brockley and Great Blakenham.
7. Treasurer's Report: - The Treasurer had spoken to the Chairman about his regrets that he could not attend for health reasons and in Paul's absence the Chairman presented his report.
As at Friday 17th March: Community Account £2325.31 less unrepresented cheques of £12.31
Business Account £3161.07 making a total of £5474.07.
To this Richard Sago had a total of £1387.50 to add from the Singles, fours and raffles.
8. County Business:-
 - a) A full report on the victories over Cambridgeshire and Essex which clinched the overall title accompanies these minutes. A proposal that a match between the SCBA and Bury league was welcomed and the Chairman undertook to contact the Bury league.
 - b) Closed Championships:- Fours- teams from Hintlesham & Chattisham, Barking, Kelsale, East Bergholt, Bramford, Darsham and two from Knodishall were successful. The Committee agreed to a proposal from Jim Goodrich and seconded by Richard Sago that at Finals day 3rd and 4th positions would be decided on best runners up from the results. The finals on 2nd April would require help for the equipment layout and the Chairman would seek help to man the Raffle table. Tea and coffee making facilities would be available but no other refreshments.
 - c) Closed Finals Day League, Cup and Plate May 7th: Margaret Southgate agreed to run it on the day and Rita Daniels to run the raffle table.
 - d) Junior Championships :- A full report by Jeremy Brown accompanies these minutes and the Committee echoed the sentiments of the Chairman's report earlier and congratulated Oscar Mew on his win over brother Joe in the final and noted the mention of the proposed Junior/Senior competition for which the Secretary would be looking for a suitable date.
 - e) Charity Tournament :- Arrangements were well in hand for 16th July as reported earlier by the Chairman. The Committee hoped all would support the event and raise money by the raffle.
 - f) Arising from the proposition outlined at item 12) 2) of the last minutes it was proposed by Steven Cain and seconded by Margaret Southgate and carried by a vote that subsidies from the National Association for the Nationals at Blackpool later this year be put towards the cost of the coach travel which it was hoped all participants would use.
9. Eastern Counties Carpet Bowls Association:- A report accompanies these minutes.
10. English Carpet Bowls Association:- A proposed Code of Conduct had been circulated as a discussion paper by the National Committee and the idea was welcomed by a committee as necessary but there were reservations about the wording of parts of the paper and David Cobbold was asked to set out the concerns for our delegate Tony Webber for the next meeting on April 1st.
11. Summer leagues:- A list of the 38 teams entered was given to the sub committee of Steven Cain, Sally Goodrich and Carl Buckle to form the appropriate leagues.
12. Any other business:-
 - 1) Tony Webber asked for West/East winter league balance be put on a future agenda
 - 2) The Secretary said she needed responses now for the Durham Trip and that the Stutton Charity Pairs would be on August 20th

The meeting closed at 10.25 pm. The next meeting is on Monday 8th May



SUFFOLK JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

The Suffolk Junior Championship was held at Burstall Village Hall on Sunday 26th February with 8 juniors taking part. They were split into 2 Groups of Four with the group winners contesting the final.

Session 1, Mat 1. Elizabeth Rose against Luke Keeble this was a very close with Elizabeth winning by 6 shots to 4. Mat 2 was Tom Seymour against Oscar Mew, this was very one sided, but for Tom this was a new experience and was to gain confidence during the day, Oscar won 18 shots to nil.

Session 2. Mat 1. Joe Mew against Cheryl Chisholm, Cheryl held Joe until the last end when Joe managed to gain 3 shots, and coming out the winner 7 shots to 4. Mat 2. Sam Runnacles against Angus Chisholm again this was very closely fought with Sam winning by 7 shots to 5.

Session 3. Mat 1. Luke Keeble against Joe Mew. Luke got away to a good start but Joe pulled back to take the game 7 shots to 5. Mat 2. Tom against Sam, Sam won easily by 10 shots to 2.

Session 4. Mat 1. Elizabeth against Cheryl, this time Cheryl was starting to play well and won by 7 shots to 1. Mat 2. Oscar against Angus this was to be Oscar's closest game with Oscar winning 5 shots to 3.

Session 5. Mat 1. Elizabeth versus Joe, this was a good game and very closely fought all square going into the final end, Joe managed to get 1 shot therefore winning by 5 shots to 4. Mat 2. Young Oscar again this time against Sam, Oscar really was in good form, this time he came out the winner by 11 shots to nil.

Session 6. Mat 1. Luke against Cheryl again Cheryl was bowling well and won by 7 shots to 3. Mat 2. Tom against Angus, Tom really started to settle down and enjoy this and won by 9 shots to 1.

The final two to battle it out was Brother against Brother, Joe Mew and Oscar Mew. John Hayward kindly marked the final. It turned out to be a good final, which saw the young Oscar overcome his older brother Joe to take the title. The day saw some excellent bowling and played in the best possible spirit, which is a credit to all the juniors.

Our President David Schofield presented Trophies to the Finalists and medals to all the competitors.

Thanks are expressed to Kevin Keeble for getting all the equipment out before the game, also to the spectators; it was good to have such support.

A special thankyou to all the following competitors and we hope to see you all when the Junior/Senior competition is arranged.

Elizabeth Rose (Fornham All Saints) Luke Keeble (Burstall)
Oscar & Joe Mew (Kelsale) Sam Runnacles (Great Blakenham)
Cheryl & Angus Chisholm (Needham Market)
Tom Seymour (Chelmondiston)

Jeremy Brown