

Minutes of the BBA Inaugural Council Meeting held on Saturday, 10th April 2010 at Aylesbury Town BC.

Present: Only thirty Clubs were represented by male delegates and only twenty-four Clubs were represented by female delegates.

Apologies: S Faulks (President), S Botterill, F Memery, D Parr, M Price and A Smith (Honorary Members). S Manderfield (Aylesbury Rivets), G Spenceley (Aylesbury Town), R Seabrook (Broadway), L East and R East (Buckingham West End), L Smethurst (Chesham), M Baker (Chess Vale), E Bamford (Marlow), A Johnson (Newport Pagnell), A Larr and J Kayne (North Crawley), D Munford (Scot), S Green (Stoke Poges), R Pye (Stony Stratford), B Watts (Waddesdon) and M Hope (Wolverton Park).

Substitutes: A Dimmock for R Pye (Stony Stratford), L Richardson for G Spenceley (Aylesbury Town) and W Faulkner for L Smethurst (Chesham),

Clubs not Represented by either Delegate: Aston Clinton, Bletchley Town, Buckingham West End, Cheddington, Cippenham, Flackwell Heath, Hazlemere, Molins, North Crawley, Richings Park, Wing, Wingrave, Wolverton Park and Wolverton Town.

Correction to Delegates – Association Secretary not informed by Clubs: C Jones - no longer the male delegate for Glory Mill, D McLaughlin - female delegate for Bletchley St Martins, S Churn - female delegate for Glory Mill, E Bamford - female delegate for Marlow.

1. Welcome: The Chairman welcomed all to the inaugural Council Meeting.

2. Minutes: None.

3. Additions to the Agenda: There were no additions to the Agenda.

4. Correspondence: A letter of thanks was received by the Association Secretary for the Honorary Members Lunch where they were presented with their Lapel badges.

5. Constitution: Issue 3.3 of the Constitution was **ratified** by the Meeting – to the AGM for resolution.

6. Regulations: Regulation 2, issue 3.1; Regulation 9, issue 1.1; Regulation 12, issue 1.1; Regulation 21, issue 2.1; Regulation 34, issue 1.1; Regulation 37, issue 1.3 and Regulation 38, issue 1.0 were **resolved**.

The deletion of Regulation 5 in line with the Constitution was **resolved**.

The Constitution and Regulation Index, issue 1.8 was **resolved**.

7. Coloured Shirt: The Unified Coloured Shirt as recommended by the Executive Council was **resolved**. The male and female representatives of the U25s and U31s respectively were asked to provide the Association Secretary with the shirt sizes required.

8. Communication at Club Level: The Association Secretary reported that information did not appear to be passed on by Club Secretaries to Council Delegates and Club Members. Many changes are taking place at all levels and it is essential that Club Bowlers are kept up to date.

9. Tours: Reports on tours for the next three years were given – all were in hand with no apparent problems.

10. Dinner/Luncheon: Both the Men's Dinner and the Women's Luncheon were reported on and again all was in hand.

11. Bowls England Report: This had been circulated prior to the meeting.

12. HCBA Report: This had been circulated prior to the meeting. Council Meeting: 2010 - April

13. Vetting and Barring: The Association CP&VA Officer gave a brief report on the new Independent Safeguarding Authority (ISA) which will eventually replace the CRB clearing procedure – copy attached below.

14. Competition Entry Fees for 2011: It was **resolved** that the Trundel Trophy entry fee would be £10.00 providing sponsorship continues, otherwise it would be £13.00, the Burnham Plate entry fee would be £6.00 and all other entry fees would remain the same.

15. Benevolent Fund Update: The Chairman gave a brief update on the Fund and reported that it would become a Charity with its own Trustees and independent from the BBA.

20 Date of Next Meeting: 2nd October 2010 starting at 10.00am at Aylesbury Town BC.

Signed: _____ Chairman

Date: _____

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Child Protection and Vulnerable Adults

ISA vetting and barring scheme which will eventually phase out CRB certificates.

A Presentation was made by an intelligent and knowledgeable lady who works for TMG, the company that Bowls England uses to issue CRB certificates. They will be issuing ISA certificates. The Act of Parliament comes into being in July this year, and the vetting will begin in November.

It is estimated that there are 11million people who will apply.

The good news is that the certificate is ‘portable’ like a passport and lasts for life, and covers any activity.

If circumstances require its cancellation, it will be withdrawn.

Certainly the frightening rumours that have been circulating are considerably over the top and the scheme is nowhere as onerous as we have been told.

Definition of a vulnerable adult: someone who needs constant supervision from a carer. (that eliminates all your senior citizens)

ISA’s or CRB’s will be needed in dealing with under 18’s, but only if there is continual contact. Continual contact is deemed to be 4 times a month.

Under 18’s that play in open games i.e. club games, league games or competitions with a majority of adults will not need protection.

Under 18’s who travel to away games in a car with adults will not need protection.

Under 18’s who travel in a car with one adult will be deemed to be under parental consent.

It seems therefore that coaches or junior team managers will need to be certificated, but umpires will not, because if they do officiate at junior events, it will not be 4 times a month.

If you need any assistance with any problem concerning ISA or CRB just contact me and I will try to help.

01753 864425 or jamyandjohnclark@btinternet.com

The main thing to remember is that the Child Protection Policy is not the monster we were all lead to believe.

Club Secretaries

All clubs should by now have appointed a Child Protection Officer. Please let me know the name and contact number of your CPP officer so that a County record can be maintained.

Jessie Clark