

# COSTA BLANCA BOWLS ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 28th OCTOBER 2014 AT MONTE MAR BOWLS CLUB

### 1. Welcome and Apologies

Jack Wardrop (El Cid), William Holtham ( Quesada), John Skipper (El Rancho), Ben Nokes (Country Bowls), Ron Stokes (La Manga), Steve Hibberd, Tony James.

In Attendance					
Officers			Clubs		
President: John Albutt	✓	Benitachell	✓	Javea Green	✓
V-President:	✓	Bonalba	✓	La Manga	☒
Secretary: June Jones	✓	Calpe	✓	La Marina	✓
Treasurer: Barbara Brown	✓	Country Bowls	✓	La Siesta	✓
Winter League Co-Ord: Colin Armitage	✓	El Cid	☒	Mazarron	✓
Northern League Co-Ord: Tony James	☒	El Rancho	☒	Monte Mar	☒
Southern League Co-Ord: Keith Jones	✓	Emerald Isle	✓	Quesada	✓
SABA Co-ord: Arthur Brown	✓	Finca Guila	☒	San Luis	✓
Tour Co-ord: Steve Hibberd	☒	Greenlands	✓	San Miguel	✓
Prov Selection Comm Chair: Allen Bowen	✓	Horadada	✓	Vistabella	✓

Total Number of Clubs : 20

Number of Clubs Represented: 15

### 2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 26th August 2014 were accepted.

Proposed Keith Jones                      Seconded Mazarron

### 3. Matters Arising

There were none.

### 4. Secretary (June Jones)

- i) President v Vice President match 5th January 2015 at Monte Mar 10.00 for 10.30am. All Delegates & Officers invited - please email Jean Cooper by end of November to confirm whether or not you are available. Format 2 pairs, 2 triples, 2 rinks. Meal afterward 10€
- ii) Dates for next year's meetings (7) detailed at the end of these Minutes.
- iii) Green fees for affiliated club members when visiting other clubs for roll up etc needs clarifying. Raised by Quesada when Greenlands owner had stated that all club owners had agreed 6€. Quesada themselves had also charged 6€. The amount - 4€ - has been accepted by owners for match play and this should apply to visiting affiliated players - to be brought to owners attention.
- iv) Champion of Champions - 13 - 18 April 2015. Venues required - clubs interested in hosting and therefore organising the event to email the Secretary by 9th December when venues will be decided. Closing date for entries to the competition 22nd March 2015.
- v) Winter League play off. Held when the Costa Blanca News sponsored the winter league and gave them the opportunity to present the trophy. No longer applicable and the event not well supported with travel costs being taken into account. Decided not to hold in future.

- vi) Calendar of events - 2016 will be included with the December issue. Calendar Rules revised, as some items out of date, and issued with these Minutes.
- vii) Linslade Cup - did not take place this year due to lack of support. Clubs to go to their Committees for ideas to revitalise the event. Format - Oz pairs, Triples ?? should the winners be "reimbursed" their expenses as prize money cannot be advertised as offered etc to be discussed at next meeting.

## 5. Treasurer's Report (Barbara Brown)

- i) SABA account - balance gradually going down each year which is acceptable.
- ii) CBBA - balance still high and since taking over has been increasing by about 1000€ a year in spite of the reductions in fees which have been made.

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Possibly reduce fees further but as was mentioned if they ever had to be increased

might cause a problem. Any reduction benefits the Clubs which in turn is their members' money.

Suggestions to consider for the AGM - Affiliation fee and league entry fees both reduced to 10€ (which will only be a few hundred euros less received) and for next year only as a trial not charge entry fees for the Champion of Champions (which would have a more significant impact on the balance). Delegates to discuss with their Committees.

## 6. Correspondence

Letter received from La Siesta BC owners re Public Liability Insurance. It had been rumored that not all club owners had this which puts all bowlers at risk when playing at those venues. By Law owners MUST have this kind of insurance and to be on display.

A formal letter will be sent to delegates requesting that at the next meeting they bring a copy: of the page of the policy document showing the renewal date AND the page which shows the Public Liability.

## 7. Winter League (Colin Armitage)

- i) Unfortunately Finca Guila withdrew from the league at the last minute and there was not sufficient time to re-arrange the fixture schedule so that club's did not have 2 BYES. Results are coming in well.
- ii) Premier 20 Knockout - the first round must be played by 15th November.

## 8. Northern League (Tony James)

Report read in his absence:

- i) Things are running fairly smoothly in the Northern League.
  - ii) Trying to get a mini winter league together for those northern clubs who do not play in the main winter league ie. Calpe, Finca Guila & El Cid. The idea is to give these clubs the opportunity to play competitive rinks matches.
- Colin Armitage asked if this was the start of a breakaway of the north & south in the Winter League? Those northern clubs who are playing want to keep the league going in its present format. There have been meetings/discussions amongst the northern

clubs.

## 9. Southern League (Keith Jones)

- i) Unfortunately El Rancho withdrew their Raiders from Division C by email on 20th September. As the schedules had already been issued, it was not possible to re

schedule

all the Divisions where the afternoon matches could have been equalised. Therefore

there are a lot of afternoon matches in the re scheduled Division C but no BYES.

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The start and finish dates are now in line with the other Divisions.

- ii) No other problems after 2 weeks.

#### 10. **SABA Co-Ordinator (Arthur Brown)**

- i) SABA Knockout Competition finals went well the results being:  
Men's Singles Bill Pain Ladies' Singles Peta Rhodes  
Men's Pairs Colin Jackson & Colin Lindgren  
Ladies' Pairs Lin Miller & Lynn Greenland  
Mixed Pairs Lisa & peter Bonsor  
Mixed Triples Gerladine & Gordon Fisher & Harry Dobson
- ii) El Rancho withdrew from Division C at the last minute so as with the Southern league only Division C was re scheduled so that there were no BYES. The start and finish dates are no in line with the other Divisions.

#### 11. **Tour Co-Ordinator (Steve Hibberd)**

Report read in his absence:

- i) All Autumn 2014 tours have now been completed and seemed to have gone smoothly.
  - ii) New touring group for Spring 2015. Bob Seddon group (6 rinks) will visit:  
Bonalba March 3rd : Javea Green March 4th: El Cid March 5th: Finca Guila March 6th.
  - iii) Autumn 2015 Plymouth RCS (7 rinks) will visit:  
Bonalba Sept 29th: Javea green Sept 30th: La Siesta Oct 1st: BBC Oct 4th.
- Both these groups will be based at Diamante Beach.

#### 12. **Provincial (Allen Bowen)**

- i) Vistabella October 18th - Ladies won 2-1 Men lost 1-2
- ii) Next match at Calpe 15th November.
- iii) Some clubs are not sending their sheets in with players names which is unfair on their members who can then be put on the 'inactive' list.
- iv) Comment made that a lot of the Vistabella players did not stay for the meal after the match and should have done as they were the host Club. Staying for the meal is 'expected'. Players who came in at the last minute had made other arrangements and this was understandable.
- v) Qualification details to be sent to ALL clubs.

#### 13. **Any Other Business**

- i) Vistabella club shirts - unfortunately the original colour fabric is no longer available and although the design is the same the shade of green is lighter - both shirts were shown to the meeting.  
It was agreed that Vistabella members could continue wearing the old shirts and incorporate wearing the new ones albeit a slightly different shade of green for the infill panel.  
FOR 13 AGAINST Nil ABSTENTIONS Nil
- ii) Calpe raised the problem of players leaving their mobile phones on whilst playing a match and then leaving the green to take a call. Was there anything in the Rules/Laws covering this - No but it is good manners and consideration for all players for the phones to be switched off whilst play is in progress. If anyone is expecting an urgent call then just explain to the opposition and keep your phone with you.

- iii) San Luis - venues for the C of Cs - are clubs who were involved with it this year still able to put themselves forward for next year. ALL clubs are entitled to apply and a decision will be made at the next meeting being fair to all concerned.  
Remember: the main host club will be responsible for arranging/organising the event so ensure that you have the necessary capable people at your club to do this.

**14. Date and Venue of Next Meeting**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.25am.

**The next meeting will be on Tuesday 9th December 2014 at Monte Mar Bowls Club  
10.00 for 10.30am**

**Arrive a bit earlier for mince pies and coffee/tea provided by the CBBA**

President

Secretary

**Dates for meetings in 2015**

**February 12th  
March 26th + AGM  
May 7th  
July 2nd  
August 20th  
October 22nd  
December 10th**

