

MINUTES

ESMBC COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY 25TH AUGUST 2022 HELD AT EWHURST CLUBHOUSE

Present: Pauline Shipway (PS)(Sec) Steph Taylor (ST) (Match Sec), Mike White (MW) (Treasurer) Roger Dobbing (RD) Margaret Weeden (MWe)

- 1 **Apologies** Dennis McGuinness
- 2 **Previous Minutes** – The minutes were agreed as correct, and a copy placed on the club website.
- 3 **Matters Arising** - No matters arising.
- 4 **Chairman's Report:** None
- 5 **Secretary's Report:** A request has been received to send the 22/23 registrations to **SCSMBA**. This has been passed to **MW to complete** once membership subscriptions are received.

Queries have been raised regarding the lowering of the flag for deceased members. It was decided that on notification of the death of a short mat club member the Secretary will put a notice in the clubhouse window and the Centre Manager will lower the flag. The flag will be lowered for one week only, due to some funerals taking longer than others due to unforeseen circumstances. In the event of a member belonging to both clubs then Secretaries will liaise.

The fixtures for the club are being organised and the club diary completed. There are still some dates to be arranged for the friendly matches and PS is dealing with this.

We have been asked to assess what cover we need for contents insurance cover and this will be assessed and discussed at our next meeting.

- 6 **Treasurer's Report:** No accounts were available at the time of the meeting. Subscriptions are coming in slowly and a reminder will be sent out.

A letter has now been received from HMRC confirming that we are NOT liable for any Corporation Tax.

- 7 **Match Secretary's Report:** We are a few weeks away from the start of the season and **SHAB** fixtures are completed as are Wey Valley Leagues. The entry list for all the Wey Valley leagues and Magpies friendlies will be up on the clubhouse board from 24th September.

The cub Fixtures List will also be on the board so all dates for our events can be noted.

8 Items for Discussion:

Competitions: All dates are on the website. There will be a new competition this season for Open Pairs.

Social: The last event was cancelled due to lack of support.

Newsletter : This is due at the end of August. A reminder will be in there for payment of Subscriptions. It was also suggested that an **email be sent to members** as some do not have computers and others do not look at the website.

Facilities: The new door and defibrillator are on order.

9 Any other business:

We have received a draft copy of the New Rules of Maintenance for discussion but due to the absence of DMcG it was not felt that a full discussion could take place. **MW will write to DMcG and Richard Tabor** (our Trustee Representatives) to find out what happened at the Trustees' Meeting.

ST Has suggested the possibility of reviving the One Mat League between other clubs (as we did previously) but this would be on a Tuesday during the daytime. More information will be obtained to see if there is sufficient interest.

ST also requested comments on the Short Mat Etiquette so that a more up to date copy can be put on the website.

MWe advised that there has been interest in the U3A course again this season but the Sessions will now be held in the morning 930 – 1130 am to allow her time between to then organise the Thursday afternoon Wey Valley Charity League matches.

10 Date of next Meeting : 15th September 2022 **(since changed to 13th September)** to start at **930 am.**

Meeting closed at 1110 am

Pauline Shipway
Hon Sec
August 2022

Dennis McGuinness
Chairman ESMBC