

Treasurers report to E.B.U.A. A.G.M 2019

Although I took over as Treasurer at the A.G.M. held on August 18th last year, it was not until the beginning of October that I was fully able to carry out my duties, and there was no handover from my predecessor. I had to await the transportation of paperwork etc from the Isle of Wight and the transfer of bank accounts into my name.

I will make no comment on the accounts from 1st January to 30th September, as these accounts were closed by the previous Treasurer, however one point of note concerns subscriptions. Payments in advance were previously shown as £9,153.00 whereas there were only £2,590 outstanding advance payments noted on the database and this was corrected with my auditor by means of a journal entry. We have since discontinued payments in advance as being too unwieldy to operate, and these will gradually be phased out.

There was little movement on the accounts during the 3 months which I have had audited and which are displayed on the E.B.U.A. website. I have set up a new accounting system, which I hope will identify items of income and expenditure more clearly, and this will be presented at the A.G.M. 2020.

As at December 31st, the deposit accounts totalled £ 35,885.77 and the current/cash accounts totalled £ 4,998.62 Giving an overall total of funds equalling £40,884.39.

After discussion with the Officers and Executive Committee, the mileage rate has been increased to 30p per mile and a standard subsistence rate of £60 per night has been introduced for members who need overnight accommodation. Payments under £6 or 20 miles for umpiring/marking duties have been discontinued. My grateful thanks to Ken Bickley who formulated a policy document which outlines the system for payment of expenses, and which is available on the E.B.U.A. website for your information.

The Officers and Area Secretaries of the Association are being paid an annual amount commensurate with their duties to cover out of pocket expenses which are not easily categorised.

I have been working for some time so that the bank account will have four signatories instead of one – any two of whom can sign and authorise payments, also all payments are now authorised before being input to the payment system.

The other part of my duties involves membership and I can report that we currently have 412 umpires, 265 markers, 34 Non-active and 6 life members – Total = 717.

I recommend that there is no change in the current membership fee of £10 and that uniform costs remain static, and further, ask that this report is accepted by those present.

Sandi Cooper

Treasurer

August 2019