



**ENGLISH BOWLS UMPIRES ASSOCIATION**  
Executive meeting held at Oxford City & County IBC  
2<sup>nd</sup> June 2010.

Present:	R White	Chairman
	M Wellington	Deputy Chairman
	R Moore	Secretary
	J Clark	Deputy Secretary
	V Findell	Treasurer
	Allan Thornhill	Development
	P Jones	Executive officer
	M Taylor	Executive officer

The Chairman welcomed Phyl Jones and Mary Taylor and made suggestions for the conduct of the business of the executive, which was accepted by all.

The minutes of the meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> April were approved. It was agreed that executive minutes be circulated to all Zone Reps and Area Secretaries and placed on the website.

#### **Matters arising**

- Development sub committee: Membership of committee adjusted and now comprises of Alan Thornhill as Chairman, Sue Hawksworth, Val Coldwell, Ken Roots and Alex Duckworth.
- Stock Controller: Margaret Sanders will carry on being responsible for the women's stock for the time being.
- The new cloth badge with a centre piece of a pair of scales was shown, colours red, yellow blue and white.

#### **Uniform**

After much discussion and in an effort to clarify the present situation the following decisions were reached

Shoes: White

Trousers/Skirts: Navy Blue

With immediate effect for all outdoor and indoor National finals and all joint events.

Shirts: It was agreed to adopt a new shirt as soon as possible.

The treasurer will contact the supplier of the men's shirts to design a shirt incorporating the four colours of the badge with raglan sleeves and two neck designs, one for men and one for women in a 'sportex' material.

It was felt that a new shirt was priority and therefore the present zip-ups, fleeces and waterproofs may continue to be worn.

It was further agreed that for at least three years, except for the above, the women's uniforms of blue or red with navy trousers/skirts and the men's burgundy with white trousers will be acceptable.

The membership should be advised of these decisions in the next Newsletter.

### **Secretary's Report:**

- With three international series being held in Worthing during the summer, there is no official guidance from Bowls England with regard to the payment of umpires expenses for accommodation and travel. Rick Moore will contact Howard Pryce, Treasurer, to obtain confirmation that Bowls England will be responsible for accommodation expenses.
- A copy of the personnel of the new Association was distributed to the executive and will be sent to EIBA Ltd for inclusion in the 2010/2011 handbook.
- The Secretaries will draw up an advisory package for all 35 counties concerning costs and details of umpiring requirements. Rick will contact counties personally to hand over and discuss the package.

### **Development**

Allan had distributed prior to the meeting two documents,

- a) Training and Development Programme
- b) Training and Development Plan 2009-2013.

The documents were accepted by the executive, with thanks to Allan and his committee for producing them.

The next step would be to arrange the material required for home study and the DVD and this hopefully would be ready in the autumn.

Publicity for the recruitment of examiners to commence in September.

Allan asked that thanks be recorded to Drakes Pride for supplying bowls, umpires kits and advertising banners and boards for the training material.

### **Finance**

The cash balance in the bank is £34000 after £9000 had been paid to the Treasurer from the EWUA.

Applications and fees for the women's exams, which are arranged for September and October, are still being received by the EWUA treasurer and it has been decided to deal with the refunds and expenses for 2010 through the EWUA account.

Balances: deposit account £1444 93 and current account £467.37

The executive approved the following proposals made by the finance committee

Travel expenses for council and executive members

25p per mile

Overnight accommodation when journey is 150 miles (one-way) £25 plus £10 subsistence.

Yearly Expense allowance with effect 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011, paid at year end.

Secretary	£430
Deputy Secretary	£200
Treasurer	£430
Development Officer	£430
Area Secretaries	£ 40
Zone Reps	£ 40
Stock controller	£ 60

Travel expenses to be paid to working umpires by the Counties and Associations etc employing the umpires.

0 – 40 miles	25per mile
0 - 80 miles	24p per mile

0 - 100 miles            23p per mile.

Mileage above the 100 miles may be claimed at the same rates from the EBUA treasurer.

Counties etc are expected to provide refreshments to umpires.

Examination Fees. These will be set when full costs of the new system are known.

Payment to Oxford City & County for use of their committee room to be negotiated by Jessie Clark

### **Constitution**

Nothing further to report

### **Regulations**

Phyl Jones and Bryan Burton to produce a set of regulations for discussion by the executive.

### **Annual General Meeting**

It was agreed that the venue is suitable providing the tables are dispensed with and the use of the microphone is obtained.

The date for 2011 was amended to May 1<sup>st</sup>, due to the Easter weekend and the lateness of the Indoor Nationals.

### **Life members**

It was agreed, subject to ratification by the 2011 AGM, that life members of the EWUA, five in total, and of the EBUA, 12 in number, should be automatically made life members of the new Association.

### **Archives.**

Jessie Clark asked for clarification regarding paperwork from the EWUA. It was agreed that 6 years accounts for both Associations should be retained along with 6 years of women's membership records; all other papers can be disposed of.

### **Any Other business**

Mavis Wellington was advised that Rick Moore would be glad to contact the Devon umpires, should difficulties occur.

### **Date of next meetings**

Executive meeting    at Leamington Cricket pavilion on 8<sup>th</sup> August at 11am.

Council meeting      at Leamington Cricket pavilion on 8<sup>th</sup> August at 2.30pm

Executive meeting    at Oxford City & County IBC on 2<sup>nd</sup> November at 11am.

The meeting closed at 2.10pm.