

Newbury & District Badminton Association

Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 7th May 2002

St Nicolas Church Hall - Newbury

1. Present:

Andy Moore	Chairman
Karen Harrison	Secretary & Shaw
Margaret Mason	Fixture Secretary
Alan Williams	Executive Committee & Basildon
Paul Madden	Executive Committee & Bucklebury
Glenn Libberton	Aldermaston
Joan Vinall	Aldermaston
Marilyn Williams	Basildon
Martin Eldred	Cannons
Sally Hill	Cannons
Yvonne Masters	Cannons & Newbury Juniors
Dave Adams	Executive Committee & Donnington
Mark Mason	Donnington
David Deas	Downlands
Steve Webb	Firefly
Catherine Hodges	Kennet
Morag Bell	Kintbury
Julia Bowers	Kintbury
Hilary Hutchings	Newbury
Audrey Jackson	Newbury Juniors
Pam Norman	St Mary's & Thatcham Juniors
Geoff Pratchett	Wantage

Apologies for Absence:

Sally Salter	Executive Committee & Donnington
Frances Perkin	Executive Committee & Downlands
Co Winter	Executive Committee & Kennet
Phil Cooke	Overton Sabres

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

Approved & signed

3. Matters Arising

- ◆ Frances Perkin was co-opted during the summer to fill the vacancy on the Exec Committee

4. Chairman's Report

- ◆ AM now completed 6 seasons as Chairman
- ◆ Two successful initiatives would be repeated from previous season: The Vets Tournament and All England Trip. Thanks to Frances for organising a very successful trip. This year, we were able to see (and debate) the 5x7 scoring system in action.
- ◆ The district will publish an update to the Development Strategy in the handbook. Currently reviewing progress made and key points are:
 - ◆ Badminton Day organised for youngsters. Will run again next season
 - ◆ No one has been recruited to take badminton into schools. Appealed for ideas from clubs on how this can be achieved
 - ◆ Disappointing response to coaching course as all courses were cancelled by Newbury College. Will look at organising this ourselves for next season
 - ◆ Limited response from clubs to appointing club coaches
 - ◆ District will organise some off-season coaching

- ◆ Currently waiting to hear if grant application has been successful. If so, plans to use grant money to get more qualified coaches in the district
- ◆ Number of meetings with Berks Development Officer

5. Secretary's Report

- ◆ Season has run very smoothly
- ◆ All Exec Meetings have been very well attended
- ◆ Special thanks to Paul for entertaining us through the season with his reports in the NWN. Appealed for any budding journalists out in the district to give Paul a hand

6. Treasurer's Report

- ◆ Exec Committee propose that all fees to be kept the same as previous season's
- ◆ Interim accounts presented. Final accounts will be submitted for approval at the September
- ◆ AM thanked Co Winter for stepping in as Treasurer at the last minute

7. 7.1 Fixture Secretary's Report

- ◆ Web site is now automatically updated with the results as soon as these are received
- ◆ 308 matches schedules; 9 conceded during the season
- ◆ Increase in number of matches being played with only 2 pairs
- ◆ Final league tables distributed

7.2 Blackford Cup

- ◆ Season ran smoothly with all matches being played to schedule
- ◆ Unfortunate that injury affect both semi-finals
- ◆ Basildon won for first time in Competition History beating St Mary's in the final

8. Rule Changes

8.1 Constitution Change – End of Financial Year

- ◆ Change of financial year-end from end of May to end of June.
Proposed: NDBA Exec Committee
Seconded: Sue Chivers
- ◆ Proposal **accepted** by those present

8.2 Rule Change – Shuttles to be used

- ◆ All Division One Teams should play matches with feather shuttles
Proposed: Basildon Badminton Club
Seconded: St Mary's Badminton Club
- ◆ Vote taken and proposal **NOT accepted** by those present

Some further discussion on this point and clubs who currently play with feather shuttles were offered to provide financial information to other clubs so they can assess viability.

9. Junior Badminton

9.1 Newbury & District

- ◆ Audrey Jackson has now stepped down from the running of the Junior Club. Looking for addition helpers.
- ◆ Wednesdays may not run next season due to lack of helpers/players

9.2 Thatcham Juniors

- ◆ Very good attendance by youngsters throughout the season
- ◆ Pam Norman thanked Tony Glinos, Margaret Mason and David Bilton for their help during the season
- ◆ Thatcham youngsters entered several tournament and won the U15 Boys Tournament
- ◆ One a couple of matches played against Newbury. Next season will try and increase to 4 Also possibility of matches against Andover

9.3 Thames Valley Youth Games

- ◆ Badminton will be featured again in this years Games being held in the Vale of the White Horse

Finally, Andy Moore thanked everyone who has helped in any way with bringing on Junior Badminton in the area

10. Coaching

- ◆ Newbury College set out to run 2 x Leaders Courses and 1 x Coach Part 1 course. All were cancelled by the college
- ◆ Next season, the district will liase directly with Bob Reed to organise our own courses.
- ◆ Players coaching days – hope to set up and run in July if halls/coaches are available

11. Championships

11.1 Level Doubles Championship: Sunday 18th November 2001

- ◆ Held at Bradfield College
- ◆ Promoted by Newbury BC
- ◆ Men's won by Andy Norman & Kevin Walker – Shaw
RU: Dave Boorman & Adam Turner – Wantage/Shaw
- ◆ Ladies won by Sue Allen & Sue Barber – St Mary's
RU: Andrea Farmer & Pam Norman – St Mary's

11.2 Robin Deasley Mixed Doubles Championship: Sunday 27th January 2002

- ◆ Elstree School
- ◆ Promoted by Shaw BC
- ◆ Won by Andrea Farmer & Andrew King – St Mary's
RU: Sylvia Glendinning & Simon Corke – Basildon BC

11.3 Division Three & Below: Sunday 3rd March 2002

- ◆ 9 pairs
- ◆ Cannons Leisure Centre
- ◆ Promoted by Downlands BC
- ◆ Won by Denise Adlington & Steve Fox- Kennet
RU: Julia Bowers & Paul Abraham - Kintbury

11.4 Veterans Tournament: 7th April 2002

- ◆ 8 pairs (date clashed with Basingstoke Tournament/event)
- ◆ Cannons Leisure Centre
- ◆ Won by Claire Beavis & Andrew Nicholson – Downlands / Shaw
RU: Jackie Beaver & Alan Morris –Shaw

11.5 Comments

- ◆ Clubs thanked for promoting the tournaments throughout the season.
- ◆ Bradfield only available to hold one tournament this season
- ◆ Overall, entries were down on previous seasons
- ◆ May be merit to change Div 3 and below to a Div 2 and below tournament
- ◆ Comments made that clashes with Hampshire dates may affect number of entries
- ◆ David Adams is standing down from Exec Committee due to work commitments; has served on Exec Committee since 1995. Andy Moore thanked David Adams for all his hard work, especially on the tournament coordination.

12. 12.1 Publicity

- ◆ Three aims for this season:
 - ◆ Get more coverage
 - ◆ Get more pictures
 - ◆ Improve quality of writing
- ◆ Keith Vincent and Karen Harrison thanked for their guest-writing during the season

12.2 Web

- ◆ Over 2500 hits and well used by all clubs, especially now that all results are updated on a daily basis
- ◆ Over 180 people also subscribe to the e-mail news bulletin – request for everyone to keep us informed of e-mail address changes

13. Presentation Dinner & Dance 2001

- ◆ 95 tickets sold
- ◆ 10 out of the 16 clubs will be represented
- ◆ Evening kicks off at 7.30pm (meal at 8pm)
- ◆ Different disco booked

14. Terry Snook Trophy

- ◆ 4 nominations received and trophy will be presented at the Dinner Dance

15. Nomination of Officers

- ◆ Chairman: Andy Moore Proposed: Sue Chivers Seconded: Hilary Hutchings
- ◆ Secretary: Karen Harrison Proposed: Paul Madden Seconded: Margaret Mason
- ◆ Treasurer: Co Winter Proposed: Catherine Hodges Seconded: Marilyn Williams
- ◆ Fix. Sec.: Margaret Mason Proposed: Marilyn Williams Seconded: Sue Chivers
- ◆ 5 Committee Members (Paul Abraham, Paul Madden, Frances Perkin, Sally Salter, Alan Williams)
 Proposed: Marilyn Williams Seconded: Sue Chivers

16. A.O.B.

16.1 All England Trip

- ◆ Frances thanked for organising the trip. Some good badminton was seen along with new proposed scoring system

16.2 All England Trip

- ◆ Trophies: all have now been returned

16.3 Bill Oliver

- ◆ Bill Oliver sadly passed away during this season.
- ◆ Aldermaston BC are considering running a tournament in his memory at the start of the season
- ◆ More information will be posted on the web site once available

16.4 All England Trip

- ◆ Berkshire are trying to set up a summer league

16.5 Summer Club

- ◆ Aldermaston:
 - ◆ Tuesdays & Thursdays from 8pm onwards
 - ◆ £2 per evening
- ◆ Basildon:
 - ◆ Tuesdays 8pm onwards (last week 6th July)
 - ◆ £3 per evening
- ◆ Downlands:
 - ◆ Mondays 8pm onwards
 - ◆ £3 per evening or £20 for the summer
- ◆ Firefly:
 - ◆ Mondays from 8.30 onwards
- ◆ Kennet
 - ◆ Thursdays from 8pm onwards
 - ◆ £3 per evening (£1.50 for juniors)

- ◆ Kintbury
 - ◆ Wednesdays from 8pm onwards (runs until mid-August)
 - ◆ £2.50 per night (first evening free)
- ◆ Shaw
 - ◆ Fridays from 7.30pm onwards
 - ◆ £3 per night
- ◆ St Mary's:
 - ◆ Mondays from 8.30pm onwards (no club on Bank Holiday Monday)
 - ◆ £3 per night (Juniors £1.50) or £25 for the summer

As junior clubs finish at the end of March, please can any clubs holding summer clubs, please inform the NDBA of these details by mid-March so all juniors can be informed.

Meeting Closed at 9.45pm.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

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