

Newbury & District Badminton Association

Minutes of the General Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 2nd September 2003 at the Salvation Army Hall, Newbury

1. Present:

Karen Harrison	Secretary & Shaw
Margaret Mason	Fixture Secretary & St Mary's
Robert Winter	Treasurer & Kennet
Paul Abraham	Executive Committee & Kintbury Ridgeway
Paul Madden	Executive Committee & Bucklebury
Frances Perkin	Executive Committee & Downlands
David Lowe	Aldermaston
Martin Eldred	Cannons
Sacha Emery	Cannons
Andrea Bolden	Downlands
Andrew Martin	Downlands
Colin Crockford	Firefly
Steve Webb	Firefly
Malcolm Taylor	Kennet
Julia Bowers	Kintbury Ridgeway
Jo Russ	Newbury
Pam Norman	Thatcham Juniors & St Mary's
Chris Burr	Wantage
Denis Hazell	Whitchurch

Apologies for Absence:

Greenacre BC	
Tony Lockyear	Aldermaston
Yvonne Masters	Newbury Juniors
Andy Moore	Chairman
Chris Tompkins	Newbury Juniors

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

- ◆ Approved & signed
- ◆ Draft minutes of May 2003 AGM distributed

3. Matters Arising

- ◆ None

4. Chairman's Welcome

- ◆ Apologies from Andy Moore who couldn't attend this meeting
- ◆ Commented that this was a new-look season as there is no Overton Sabres or Basildon this season and Donnington & Newbury have merged.
- ◆ A warm welcome extended to Greenacre who have entered a Men's team into the league.

Development Strategy:

- ◆ An update on the NDBA Development Strategy is included in the handbook (and on the web site) and can be read at leisure

Finally, all clubs wished every success for the new season.

5. Treasurer's Report

- ◆ New Bank account up and running with Nat West (changed from the Portman Building Society as they introduced a £5 monthly account handling fee).
- ◆ Accounts for year ending June 2003 finalised and audited
- ◆ Awards for All money has been separated out for clarity
- ◆ Income over expenditure for the year: £146.39
- ◆ Interest: Portman Building Society did not pay interest on Club accounts. Nat West do not pay interest on this Current Account but it is possible to open a Deposit Account which would pay a small amount of interest.

Awards for All

- ◆ Final account has now been approved by Awards for All (all outstanding monies have been approved. i.e. money expected in/out but not yet received the invoices)
- ◆ Refunds of deposits will be given to those NDBA Coaches who completed the Coach Part 1 course

Accounts accepted. Proposed Co Winter, Seconded Jo Russ

Co Winter thanked for managing the accounts throughout the season and to Frances Perkin for auditing the accounts.

6. Fixture Secretary's Report

- ◆ All handbooks & scorecards distributed (except for Greenacre)
- ◆ 13 clubs have entered teams into the new season. Greenacre welcomed into the league.
- ◆ All fixtures, results and league tables are accessible via the web site. Results and league tables will be updated on a daily basis.
- ◆ League structure for the Mixed has changed; number of divisions reduced from four to three due to a number of teams withdrawing from the league. Ladies 4 only has three teams entered and therefore each team will play each other twice at home and away.
- ◆ Fixtures have been a struggle to fit in due to the number of clubs having Wednesday as their match night. Some fixtures are not ideal, but this was the best that could be arranged.
- ◆ This season, the fixtures have been arranged with alternate weeks of Mixed and Level Doubles.

- ◆ A reminder that clubs with more than 1 team in any section must send their player nominations to Margaret before the first match is played.
- ◆ Clubs must also send Margaret a list of all their registered players and advise of any new members as the season progresses.

Scorecards

- ◆ Please encourage your club to write match comments on the scorecard
- ◆ Please also ensure that players first and surnames are entered on the cards and that the scores are filled in correctly.

7. Blackford Cup Draw

Quarter Finals

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| 1 | St Mary's |
| | vs |
| 2 | Kintbury Ridgeway |
| 3 | Downlands |
| | vs |
| 4 | Aldermaston |

- 5 Cannons
vs
- 6 Kennet
- 7 Newbury
vs
- 8 Shaw

- ◆ Note: w/c 10th November has been set aside for all quarter final matches
- ◆ Clubs to advise MM of Blackford Cup team nominations on/before 30th September 2002

8. Championships

- ◆ Confirmed Championship Dates:
 - ◆ Veteran's – 12th October 2003 (entry forms distributed)
 - ◆ Division 3 & Below – 7th March 2004
- ◆ Provisional Championship Dates:
 - ◆ Robin Deasley Mixed Doubles – 23rd November 2003 (promoted by Newbury)
 - ◆ Level Doubles – 25th January 2004
- ◆ Still looking for clubs to promote the Championships. If no club comes forward, this will be organised by the NDBA
- ◆ Thanks to Cannons for donating the hall free of charge for the Division 2 & Below and Veterans Championship
- ◆ Entry forms will be distributed via e-mail/web site and not in the handbook. Forms will be sent to all Club Secretaries 6-8 weeks in advance of tournament.

9. Publicity

- ◆ Rota has been set up with four editors
- ◆ Aim to get more photos in NWN

Web

- ◆ Now updated for new season

10. Presentation Dinner & Dance 2003

- ◆ No-one present with the figures but Dinner Dance was another success

11. Juniors

- ◆ **Thatcham Juniors**
 - ◆ Running as per last season and starts this coming Saturday at Kennet Sports Centre
 - ◆ This club now has a waiting list
 - ◆ Club run by Tony Glinos, Pam Norman and Margaret Mason but more volunteers are needed
- ◆ **Newbury & District Juniors**
 - ◆ Still need more helpers/leaders
- ◆ **Thames Valley Games**
 - ◆ Team of 4 boys and 4 girls entered into Thames Valley Games
 - ◆ Won silver medal and were beaten by Milton Keynes
- ◆ Pam & Yvonne will be arranging matches between NJBC & TJBC

12. Coaching

- ◆ 2 coaching sessions have been organised on 11th & 18th September will be led by Kevin Walker
- ◆ St Barts 8-10pm
- ◆ Costs £4 per session
- ◆ Let Frances know if you want to attend

13. A.O.B.

◆ **All England**

- ◆ Another trip will be organised for the Championships Semi-Final day

◆ **AGM**

- ◆ Will be held on Tuesday 11th May at the Salvation Army Hall starting at 8pm
- ◆ End of Season Presentation Dinner & Dance is provisionally booked for 14th May 2004

Meeting Closed at 8.45pm.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

AGM: Tuesday 11th May 2004