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Minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at Hartley Country Club, commencing at 8.00 p.m.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Annette Eggleton, Mike Capelin, Tracy Turner, David Holden

**Present:** Tim Edwins, Bob Gaywood, Mike Cubitt, Ray Keemer-Richards, Mick Nash, David Baxter, Bryan Yates, Carolyn Edwins, Sheila King

2. **Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting held on May 19<sup>th</sup> 2016 at GRFC were agreed as a correct record.

3. **Matters arising from previous meeting:**

Ray said that the junior doubles competition is all set to go, they are now finding a suitable Saturday for the event.

Ray announced that he has been in contact with Kim from Hayling Island and there are no more caravans available.

Bob confirms that the circles from the EPA have now been paid for and received.

There was discussion over who an old cheque to the KPA was actually from, David H is to confirm who originally issued it and ask for a replacement.

Mick queried whether the KPL has now paid the affiliation fee to the EPA. Tim to ask David H to confirm this.

Bob announced that Colin Gibbs can run Qualifier 5 at Meadow in Annette's absence.

Sheila has drafted a letter to Coca-Cola regarding sponsorship and the Kent County Show 2017, and has been in touch with Kent County Council for them to check the letter before sending.

4. **Treasurer's Report:** Tim circulated the latest accounts up to 30<sup>th</sup> June in the absence of the treasurer.
5. **Membership Report:** Ray reported that there are currently 638 members of the KPA. This time last year the figure was 636, and that over the last 4 years, membership has been very stable.
6. **Espoirs:** David B announced that the EPA now have 2 people running the national espoirs (18-23 years old) squad, and that the EPA had asked regions to let them know of any potential espoirs that may not already be on the EPA radar, or people who will soon be moving from junior to espoir. Bryan

identified a few potential espoirs that may belong to the Lordswood PC. David B to contact them and investigate further.

7. **Playing Matters:** Bob announced that the KPA will need to provide the kit for the combined squad again at this year's Inter Regional tournament. Sheila & Mike Capelin were tasked with liaising and arranging this.  
Ray mentioned that this year's Hayling accommodation contribution from the KPA has not yet been set. There was discussion about this and then Bob suggested increasing it slightly to be £65 this year and the management committee were in agreement.  
The KPA Over 50s Championship will be on 14<sup>th</sup> August at GRFC. Annette to run the competition if she is willing and available.  
The KPA Shooting Champion is Rowland Jones and runner up is Jack Blows.  
The KPA Singles Champion is Rowland Jones and runner up is Jack Blows.
8. **Combined Squad Manager:** Bob read aloud an email from Tracy stating that she believed deciding the combined squad manager is a decision for the playing committee to make and then the management committee to agree or disagree. Bob then explained that the playing committee is a sub-committee of the management committee, who then give the playing committee authority to make decisions. Bob suggested Steve Golder for combined squad manager and the management committee were all in agreement, noting that Steve did a good job last year and was successful. Tim to contact Steve and ask if he would like to be manager again this year.
9. **Date of next meeting:** Confirmed as Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September at Istead Rise CC.
10. **Any other business:**  
Tim noted that the next meeting is quite far away, and also very close to Hayling Island weekend. With this in mind Tim suggested that we might like to add in another MC meeting, when we will know who is definitely going to Hayling Island. A new meeting was agreed for Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July at Hartley CC.  
Bob suggested sending a reminder to clubs that to qualify for the Chairman's Cup this year, players need to have played in at least 2 KPA Qualifiers. Mick Nash also suggested mentioning that the top 16 teams will go to Hayling Island this year. Tim to action this and send email out to club secretaries.  
Bob announced that Kent will have 3 veterans who have qualified and will be representing England at the Veteran's Cup in Monaco. These players are Jean-Louis Guiot, Angie Jamieson and Lee Jamieson. The MC congratulates and passes on best wishes to all.  
Bob then announced someone had mentioned to him the idea of having a KPA Player of the Year award, as well as the Taylor award and the Andy Mills Award. There was discussion about this but the committee agreed that this could get very complicated and end up being divisive.
11. **Meeting closed at 21:27**