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Minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on Thursday 1st September 2016 at Istead Rise CC, commencing at 8.00pm.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Tracy Turner, Ken Buchan

Present: Tim Edwins, Annette Eggleton, Ray Keemer-Richards, David Holden, Sheila King, Carolyn Edwins, Mike Capelin, Mike Cubitt, Bob Gaywood

2. **Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting held on August 4th 2016 at Hartley CC were agreed as a correct record.

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

Ray has not yet emailed out a list of who is staying where at Hayling Island as it is not yet 100% final. Sheila announced that the KPA and Combined squad kits are all sorted and physically in hand. Annette emailed out the player's letter template and Tim updated it for this year and has emailed out to all Kent and Combined squad members.

Annette says that full clarification is still being sought for the international junior competition funding and arrangements.

Ray said that the Kent Junior Doubles competition now has a date set of Saturday 24th September with full sponsorship and raffle prizes.

Sheila & Mike have been to the Kent County Showground to look at the venue and possible areas to host a KPA stand, the deposit would be required in January with the full cost around £1300, a risk assessment and insurance would be required.

Due to commitments with the EPA and Inter Regional Championships, Annette said that the KPA survey has been carried forward to later in the year.

Tim emailed Ken Buchan to see if he could run the Chairman's Cup but has not yet had a reply, Tim to chase with Ken and check Villager are OK to host the event.

4. **Treasurer's Report:**

David H circulated the accounts up to 1st September, with the current balance at £10,506

All Kit has now been paid for and David will send invoices to the other regions for their portion of the Combined squad kit. We have had 1 payment for Hayling accommodation in so far and all invoices have been sent out. David to set up payments to Tracy Turner and Sarah Huntley for their grants from

the KPA towards their costs for competing in the Women's European Championships, Tim to authorise once set up.

5. Membership Report:

Ray announced there was 1 new member since the last MC meeting.

6. Junior Fund:

Bob stated that we have trustees of the junior fund and they need to be referenced regarding decisions. There were some concerns about having lots of money but not many juniors to use it on, however the situation has now changed somewhat, with more active juniors in the region but little fundraising and we need to keep a healthy balance. David H and Bob will meet at the end of the year to look at funds and work out how much is in the junior fund.

On a side note, there was a brief discussion about the Junior squad playing at the KPA regional qualifiers and the Playing Committee have been asked to look into this and possible remedies.

7. Outstanding Debts:

The KPA still has 2 outstanding debtors from the Inter Regional Championships 2015. Neither of them have any proof of payment, and the KPA has no record of the payment ever being received. The management committee were all in agreement that we should invoice the individuals for the outstanding balance. David H to send out invoices.

8. Upcoming Competitions:

The Medspray Triples on the 4th September has been cancelled, Tim has emailed all club secretaries to inform them and David B has removed it from the KPA online calendar. 11th September is the KPA Chairman's Cup at The Villager, Tim to check if Ken Buchan is OK to run it. 18th September is the KPA Doubles Championship, Tim to check if Lordswood are OK to host it and Annette will check to see if she is available to run it. 16th October is KPA Mixed Doubles Championship at Istead Rise, Annette is OK to run this one.

9. Date of next meeting:

Provisionally confirmed as Thursday 3rd November at Lordswood Sports & Social Club. Tim to check this is still OK with Mick Weston from Lordswood.

10. Any other business:

Sheila asked if we could ban vaping as well as smoking on pistes, Bob pointed out that it was determined by local rules of the playing venue, and others in the group commented that it could be quite hard to enforce where pistes are at pubs. Mike Cubitt suggested to Sheila to put forward a motion to the KPL at the upcoming AGM. Annette suggested the playing committee could amend the rules of KPA competitions to ban vaping as well as smoking, all were in agreement.

Sheila then sought clarification on the legal weight limit of boules. Annette found them online and read them as 650g to 800g, with junior boules only being reserved for use at junior competitions. It was mentioned that if issues arise then inform the competition organiser.

Annette reminded everyone at Hayling Island to remember their licenses and that there would be an email going to out to squad managers after the EPA's meeting this Saturday 3rd September. Tim read aloud an email he had received from Ken Buchan during tonight's meeting. It said that Ken is OK to run the Chairman's Cup and gave his apologies for not attending tonight's meeting. Bob asked if the KPA had any items that we wanted discussing at the EPA meeting on Saturday 3rd September. Sheila mentioned the ladies team selection process. Tim to email the EPA and inform them.

11. Meeting closed:

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