



Suffolk **Carpet Bowls** *Association*

The Minutes of a Committee Meeting of the
Suffolk Carpet Bowls Association
held at Needham Market Community Centre
on Monday 26th November, 2001

The Meeting commenced at 7.30 p.m.

Those present:- John Hayward (Chairman), Marion Brown (Secretary),
Paul Goulding (Treasurer), Keith Armes, Derek Brown, Steven Cain, Sally Goodrich, Arvon Evans,
Richard Sago, Margaret Southgate, and John Varden,

1. Apologies were received from Rita Daniels, Andy Gilder and Tony Webber.
2. The Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed.
3. Matters Arising:-
There were no matters arising.
4. The Chairman's Report.
The Chairman had nothing to report, but to say thankyou to those who ran the Closed Championship Venues.
5. Secretary's report:-
The Secretary reported that she had received membership fees from Lawshall and a new club Metfield.
The money from Awards for All had been paid into the Bank on the 3rd November.
Letters of thanks had been received from the three Hospices for the Charity money raised in May.
6. Press Officer's Report.
Sally said that the results were still coming in on time, also the Cup and Plate. The East Anglian Daily times were still not publishing results as Sally sends them.
7. The Treasurer's report:-

Community Account	£2759.37
High Interest Account	<u>£1146.56</u>
	£3905.93

The treasurer was handed monies from the Suffolk Championships, this will be included in the next treasurer's report.

8. County Business:-
In Tony's absence Arvon read out his report. A copy of which is enclosed with these minutes.
Arvon reflected on the new County team members, time will tell he says to see if they can settle down and blend in with the rest of the team. Arvon also was disappointed about the continuity of the mats at the County game against Norfolk, he said that at County level the mats should be of a higher standard.
The Durham visit next year will be the weekend of 10th /11th August 2002. We will again travel by Coach. Margaret and Marion will liase together to arrange this.
The closed Championships so far had gone well. The mat situation still causes quite a problem. Special thanks to Barking who went and got 2 mats for the Stowmarket Venue.

On the outcome of this the final stages of the Knock out round of the Pairs competition from the Stowmarket venue will be held at the beginning of Finals Day at Hadleigh on 24th March.

9. Eastern Counties Carpet Bowls Association Report

Paul was our delegate at the last meeting of this Committee. There was not a lot discussed as nothing had really happened since their last meeting. Congratulations were expressed to Suffolk who had won the six Counties Championships. Pauls was disappointed that no Treasurer's report was available at this meeting. The next event will be the ECBA Charity Team Bowl on 27th January 2002, this will be held at Hadleigh Leisure Centre, and the chosen Charity for this will be the Air Ambulance. Suffolk are to host this event.

10. English Carpet Bowls Association Report

Correspondence from English was circulated to all Committee members before the meeting, these were fully discussed and our delegate will report back to the next meeting with our comments.

11. Junior Games.

See enclosed.

12. Any other business.

- a) The latest on the County Sweaters is that we are waiting on confirmation from our sponsors.
- b) Stanningfield C.B.C will be organising the Charity Pairs on June 2nd at Hadleigh High Leisure Centre. The Charity this year will be the Air Ambulance.

13. There being no further business the meeting closed at 09.46 p.m.
Date of next meeting 4th February 2002.

*Enc. Suffolk Closed Fours Championships
Suffolk Closed Singles Championships
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Suffolk County Quiz Evening*

CAPTAINS REPORT November 2001

I will start by saying that although I was unable to attend the recent English County Championships at Hemsby, I was very disappointed with the end result. Particularly after the efforts of the team during the first day's play. Our final position was the lowest we have ever had. It appears that once again we were either unable to hold our form together, or that we do not have the right sort of fighting spirit to carry us through when things go wrong (which they will inevitably do).

These thoughts were also in my mind during the League match yesterday when we were playing Norfolk at Banham.

The match was played using the familiar format of five sessions on four carpets. The first session was a very close thing with both Counties winning two games each. In the two games Suffolk lost, there was only one shot difference in each game. 14 – 2, 10 – 9, 10 – 11, 5 – 6.

Session two went to Suffolk by three games to one, again the Suffolk loss was by one shot. 11 – 5, 11 – 6, 14 – 3, 9 – 10.

In the third session there are just two games and one went to each County. 11 – 2, 4 – 9

Suffolk were now leading 12 points to 8.

The fourth session was again halved with two games each.

15 – 5, 9 – 5, 6 – 12, 3 – 10.

In the final session Suffolk needed to win two games to secure the victory, unfortunately this was beyond us and we had to be content with a draw 9 – 4, 5 – 8, 5 – 9, 5 – 8..

A disappointing end to a day that started out so promisingly.

For this match some new players were brought in and will obviously need some time to bed themselves in, as will other players the other selectors myself and have our eyes on. We have to rekindle the team spirit and fight that brought us the number one spot in Carpet Bowls a few years ago.