

Minutes of the Executive Meeting held at Chippenham Chess Club on Tuesday 10th September 2013 at 7.30 pm.

1. In attendance: Messrs. N Wingfield (President), J Bourne (Chairman), R Ludlow (Secretary), A Gladwell (League Secretary), P Musgrove (Treasurer), A Ransom (Tournament Secretary), P Owen (Grading Officer), R Carver, H Light and S Zeidler.
There were no apologies.

2. Minutes were accepted.

3. There were no matters arising.

4. R Ludlow explained the protocol regarding the minutes of the AGM: in normal circumstances, once approved by the Chairman, they could only be amended at the following AGM a year later. However, if there were an error which might impact on the following season he would be willing to amend them at the Executive Meeting providing the Chairman approved.

5. This season there will be four teams in the Major League (formerly '4-a-side'):

Brown Jack	contact: M Rabbitt (reserve to be announced)
Nationwide	S Zeidler; res. D Parsons
Trowbridge	A Ransom; res. R Ludlow
Swindon	M Jones; res. R Carver

There will be five teams in the Minor League:

Chippenham	contact: A Gladwell; res. H Light
Swindon	A G Georgiou; res. R Carver, D Brown
	B R Carver; res. G Georgiou, D Brown
	C D Brown; res. R Carver, G Georgiou
Trowbridge	R Ludlow; res. A Ransom

S Zeidler would not be available to play in October. R Carver requested that the three Swindon teams should not have matches on the same evening.

6. P Musgrove distributed the 2012/13 accounts, his first as Treasurer
The loss made by the WCCA Championships was to be subsidised by County funds. As last year the County would again arrange joint membership of ECF for those who wanted this. Those who had joined individually last year had been emailed by ECF. Peter explained the membership discount.
The report of the accounts was accepted. Peter was warmly thanked by the Meeting for taking on the treasurership and for excellent work done so far.

7. R Ludlow read out the team of twelve, which he would captain and which would represent the County in the Jamboree to be held on Sunday 22nd September at

2.30 pm in the Tacchi-Morris Arts Centre in Taunton. The event would comprise three or four counties. Wiltshire had won it the last time it had entered a team. The Meeting thanked Adrian Champion most warmly for organising the team. Unfortunately, loyalty to Somerset precluded his being Wiltshire County Captain.

8. A Ransom reported on a very successful 5-minute tournament on Monday 2nd September at Brown Jack. There had been 14 players. The winner was J Bourne, with 11 points from 13 matches. M Rabbitt and L Martin were joint second with 10 1/2.

There would be another 5-minute tournament on 25th April at Swindon. The entrance fee would cover the cost of hiring the venue, which was £15.

The Team Rapidplay Tournament would take place on Sunday 24th November at Nationwide at 10.00 for 10.30am. Sven would need to have details of entries by the previous Thursday. Photographs might be needed. Sven would inform.

Contacts were as follows:

Brown Jack – J Bourne; Chippenham – A Gladwell; Nationwide – S Ziedler; Swindon – M Jones.

The juniors were not yet ready to form a team, but some would play in the senior teams.

The Wilts Championships would be an open event and take place at Brown Jack on the first Monday of each month, beginning 7th October.

9. Adrian reported that the WCCA website was up and running. He was warmly thanked by the Meeting for his excellent work in this respect.

The winner of the President's Shield was to be determined by N Wingfield. The three candidates were L Martin, P Musgrove and M Rabbitt. Adrian gave some useful statistical information on their relative performances.

10. The 2014 AGM would now take place at Chippenham Chess Club on Tuesday 13th May, and not 6th as previously announced. The time would be 7.30 pm.

11. The 2012 Executive Committee Meeting would take place at Chippenham Chess Club on Tuesday 9th September at 7.30 pm.

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