



**EPA Management Committee Meeting  
at London Mathematical Society  
De Morgan House, 57-58 Russell Square  
London WC1B 4HS  
on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2018 commencing at 9.30 a.m**

**Attendees**

David Baxter (DB)    Kath Brooks (KB)    Ken Buchan (KB)  
Cary Bush (CB)    Martin Eggleton (ME),    Alan Forse (AF)    David Mason (DM)  
Alan Roden (AR)    Colin Roper (CR)    Annette Eggleton (AE)    Tom Wilson(TW)

**Action**

2.1 Apologies for absence Glenn Floyd (GF), Martin Hughes (MH), Ray Keemer-Richards(RK), Jim Marstin (JM)

2.2 The minutes of the previous meeting held 13<sup>th</sup> January were accepted as a correct record.

2.3 **Action Points**

1.9 The Dorset Schools Initiative. ME Welcomed Tom Wilson to explain the schools programme he has been doing at a number of schools across Dorset. Following his presentation there was a discussion of how to scale the approach to cover more regions or more leisure centres. Particular issues identified were finding clubs that are close to schools and supportive. Possible link with the leisure group Places for People.

ME/  
DB

12.3 Mill Rythe alternates. Warwick University are very keen and can offer 1000 beds and 4000 sqm playing space in August not September. Agreed to explore further and take to Presidents meeting in July.

DM

12.3 Speed of Disciplinary process – review meeting is set for March 17<sup>th</sup>.

KB

2.4 **Incorporation**

**Ballot Result**

For 835 Against 84 Rejected votes 6

The time period for lodging an appeal has passed with nothing received so we were able to go ahead with incorporation. Sport England have confirmed to Companies House that we are the governing body and so a fit organisation to use the word England in our name. Pétanque England Incorporated with Company Number 11193160.

2.5 **CEP Spring Meeting**

It was agreed that M Eggleton and D Baxter attend approx cost £300. Agreed to submit the resolution on the agenda paper. [below]\*

DB/  
ME

2.6 **Finance**

Debtors.

All now in payment plans. After further discussion it was agreed to amend the playing rules for 2018 to include that licences will be suspended if payment is missed. Suspension will remain in force until 3 months after full settlement.

AE/  
DB

Accounts. The first pass P&L accounts for 2017 were tabled.

Data Protection. The first step in meeting the GDPR (General Data Protection Regulations) is to conduct and audit. This is now under way. DB

## 2.7 **Playing**

Calendar has been issued the Singles and Shooting ranking will be at Nottingham on the Saturday before the HNQ.

The Playing programme is on the website. Selection will involve a panel of selectors, being sought, ME will remain for continuity and the coaching team will be more involved in squad days and will be expected to provide additional input. The 2018 Playing Rules were discussed. It was agreed to remove 'may be disqualified' from the kit violation and just have a fine of £10 per team member. To include reference to the Alcohol testing trial. Supervision of Junior teams – agreed to confirm that 2 adults at least is our policy.

AE/  
DB

Eurocup – Semifinals are at Whitnash and Oxshott. A venue for the final was discussed and it was agreed to explore the possibility of using Mill Rythe. The playing schedule has been altered to avoid dead rubbers on Sunday.

AR/  
ME

A report on Women Sport Conference was received from Hassi Leverett. A budget from the WIP group is needed.

## 2.8 **Meeting Schedule**

It was agreed to book the 21<sup>st</sup> July Presidents Meeting but leave the rest until after the March meeting which would be for PE to decide how to organise.

## 2.9 **World Transplant Games 2019**

World Transplant Games will be in Gateshead in 2019. Pétanque is on the list of sports and it was agreed to support. Meeting with organisers is set for March 8<sup>th</sup>

## 2.10 **Badges and Medals**

Three designs were reviewed for gift badges A Cloisonné style was agreed, minimum order 2000. Also seeking quotes for a medal form of the new logo.

DB

## 2.11 **Any other Business**

GW Disciplinary. The chair of the Disciplinary panel has called for reports from the parties involved and hopes to deal with via a panel in teleconference.

KB

AF reported now 14 Regional safeguarding officers in post. London are actively searching but TV have not responded.

It was noted that we have agreed the transfer of Harrow club from London to Thames Valley and the Berwick Club from Northern to Scotland.

AF

2.12 **Date of next MC meeting**, March 17<sup>th</sup> 9.30 am at London Mathematical Society. To be mainly a PE board meeting to organise way forward. DB

\*Resolution for CEP Spring Meeting Pétanque for Spectators.

We are concerned that Pétanque as an Olympic event will not be a success with the general public because it is difficult to follow and evolves too slowly. Three issues we highlight are ;-

1. Lack of action. Very little time is spent throwing boules. The spectator mainly sees players walking up and down.

2. Visibility of the Jack due to colour and size, for a spectator in the stands.
3. Assignment of boules to each team.

Many other sports have adjusted their rules or come up with new formats to increase their appeal to the general spectator and we call upon the FIPJP to set a Technical Group (TG) to examine the aspect of Pétanque as Spectacle and to make proposals for a dynamic game full of spectator interest.

Examples.

Athletics Changed false starts allowed to 0.

Cricket. Introduction of limited over such as 20 20,

Rugby – only the short form sevens is an Olympic sport.

Bowls and Curling for colour assignment of team shirts, bowl and stone colour.

Tennis. Introduction of the tie break to restrict set length.

TG Scope.

Analysis. Other factors may be identified in addition to three above.

Game restrictions, options are many, Timed games, fixed number of ends, 50 second rule to a 10 second rule, time limit of each team to play all their boules e,g, curling, chess,