Minutes of 49th ManCom Meeting

March 26th, 2024

1. Attendees

Joseph Newsome(chair), Judith Fearns(secretary), Robert
Mumford(competitions secretary), Jill Newsome(safeguarding officer), Rod
Dawson(vice chairman and team captain tornados), Pat Jones(terriers
captain), Chris Prendergast(tigers captain) David Randon(membership
secretary)

2. Apologies

Roger Green (Treasurer)

- 3. Minutes of 48th ManCom Meeting were approved and signed by the Chair.
- 4. Matters arising from last meeting.
 - a) New Member Application Form. This was presented to the committee and approved with the corrections of a few typos.
 - b) County Format. CP has canvassed most members of the tigers team. All but 2 would like more bowling within the same time frame. Unfortunately, the other 2 teams opinions had not been sought. Various formats were discussed but until a fuller picture of the other teams wishes were known it was decided that the Tornados and Terriers team captains will continue to canvass players. ACTION RD PJ
- c) Response from member regarding scorecards. The member felt it unacceptable that the match be void if no scorecard was returned as the non-offending team would be penalised. The committee reconsidered and after much debate agreed the only way forward was to have 2 cards and follow the ESMBA rule as below:-

SCORING

In all disciplines except Singles, each Skip must appoint one of his players, or himself, as scorers on the mat. Scorecards kept by anyone other than the appointed scorers have no legitimacy. It is the duty of the appointed scorers.

- (a) To ensure that the names of all players have been entered on the scorecard.
- (b) To ensure that the score agreed at the conclusion of each end is recorded together with the accumulated total both for and against.
- (c) To check with the scorer on the opposite side after each end that both the scorecards are in agreement.
- (d) To ensure that the scoreboards are updated to agree with the scorecards. (e) To ensure that their Skip is given the completed scorecard at the end of each game.

- d) With regard to the substitution policy the member wished to know how many substitutions had taken place this year. The committee felt it inappropriate to answer the question when they felt the substitution policy sufficed.
- 5. Finance. RG will present the final year end accounts at the AGM
- 6. Membership. DR presented his final numbers for the season.

NYSMBA CLUB AND INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP

2022-23	<u>2023-24</u>	
Total Clubs	37	35
Total Club Members 697		712
Returning Members		24
New Members		89
Lapsed Members		98
Dual Members		31 (2 or 3 Clubs)
Junior Members		7 (at 4 Clubs)

Total fees paid to NYSMBA £4770.50 (£6.50/£2.00 per member)

ESMBA CLUB AND INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP 2023-24

joined other Clubs have been included in the returning total.

Total Clubs 35

Total Members 683 7 Juniors (under 18)

Total paying Members 676 394 male, 282 female

Total fees paid to ESMBA £3042.00 (£4.50 per member)

It was noted that junior members numbers are low. An effort to promote and encourage youngsters in the sport should be encouraged by all clubs.

7. Competitions. a) 2023/2024 County Championships ran smoothly, and RM received many compliments. The committee thanked RM for his continued hard work.

^{*}Bridlington and Seaton Ross Clubs were disbanded. Some Members who have

- b) 2024/2025 County Championships and National Qualifiers will be held on separate dates due to the change in ESMBA qualification requirements. This was difficult to achieve but successful in the end. Preparation of a motion to change the ESMBA qualification rules for National competitions will be brought back to a future meeting, being mindful of the closing date for proposals is 31/12/2024.
- 8. County teams. a) Update from team captains
 - RD -Tornados had a great season only losing one match and were unfortunate to lose the championship by 1 point.
 - CP- Tigers also had a splendid season becoming county champions of the 2nd division. The squad of 31 players, including 4 new recruits, are aiming to stay up next season.
- PJ -Terriers had a great season too. The team gelled well, and players were very supportive of each other. They came 3^{rd} in the 2^{nd} division, losing out on 2^{nd} place by only one point.
- 9. Safeguarding. JiN will contact all clubs to update the list of safeguarding officers and members who are DBS checked.
- 10.2024/25 Diary. Finalised and published on the website. A review of the diary policy to be undertaken to ascertain what is required on our website.
- 11.NYSMBA AGM. The secretary informed the group that notice of the date of the AGM had been emailed to all club contacts setting out the deadlines for nominations for officers and proposals to be tabled. To date there are 2 proposals. The chairman reminded all committee members of the need to get their proposers and seconders to the secretary by 31/3/24 if they wish to stand again. The secretary asked for all reports to be emailed to her by 6/4 so she could have time to send these forward before the deadline. ACTION ALL
- 12.NESMBA AGM. This meeting will take place on 2/6/24 at 9.30 am via zoom. JoN and JiN will attend on NYSMBA behalf. Deadline for proposals 31/3/24. NYSMBA has forwarded 1 proposal at present.
- 13. ESMBA AGM will take place on 20/7/24. The proposals were considered and felt to be uncontentious. RD will be our representative.
- 14. Review of policies. Copies of all policies were brought to the meeting, and it was felt appropriate to review them all. They were therefore split between members of the committee in a way appropriate to members responsibilities. They will be brought back to the next meeting ACTION ALL
- 15.AOB a) The chairman brought to the committee's attention the fact that the county was very short of umpires. All agreed to try and encourage players to

consider becoming an umpire and contact JoN for further information. ACTION ALL

- b) A complaint has been received regarding a committee member. A discussion took place regarding a way forward and the committee appointed DR to act as the intermediary and contact both parties involved. ACTION DR
- c) RG has noted that Simon Holtby achieved his 100th cap during the season. Recognition of this will hopefully be made at the AGM. ACTION RD RG JoN
- d) A query regarding the wearing exclusively of black trousers in all matches and competitions has been received. The chairman reminded us that we were still in the transition phase from grey to black.
 - e) It has been asked if Remembrance Sunday could be kept free from bowling. The committee felt- that as there is a shortage of weekends. They also considered if it be appropriate considering the wider diversity of our communities.
 - f) County shield for division 2. It has been noted that this is no longer engraved with the champions names. This was felt to be unsatisfactory, and a proposal will be sent to NESMBA for consideration at their AGM.

[post meeting note. Proposal sent as follows.

NYSMBA propose that in recognition for county teams achievements the trophies for the league champions be engraved as a lasting testimony to their hard work over the season.]

CP felt that the £100 sent to NYSMBA in respect of the division 2 championship should be spent on a memento for all players in the squad. This was agreed ACTION RM

16. Next meeting. To be arranged immediately following NYSMBA AGM on 26.4.2024

Post meeting note.

Finance

The end of year accounts and treasurer's report have been circulated to the committee. The committee accepted these and the treasurer's recommendations. All will be presented at the AGM