

4. PLAY AND COACH

Tony reported that although this year’s event had fewer pairs attending than last year it was a much better event. Giorgio has provisionally said he is happy to repeat his role next year.

Some of the glitches from the first year had been ironed out.

Half of the entrants this year had responded to the survey. They all asked for further help to develop, but it was important not to duplicate the work of teachers.

It was agreed that

- Costs for a future P&C should be at least partially covered
- If we run a ‘development’ session, a significant proportion of the costs should be covered by charging those who wish to attend.
- Where charged, fees of £10 pp seemed reasonable, but we would be willing to subsidise a greater proportion of the costs if the teacher fees were to go to EBED, as happened this year.
- Tony will put forward further proposals in due course.

Tony

5. JUNIOR BRIDGE

June reported that there has so far not been much interest in Bowles Rock in October.

While it is still hoped to run the Schools Cup again sometime between January and March, Roehampton have said they will not host it. June has spoken to Douglas about the possibility of using a school in Guildford, but nothing is yet confirmed.

There is an annual Fun Palace event in Morden Hall in October, and June will have a stall there to encourage youngsters. Fun Palace is an ongoing campaign for community run by the community. It includes arts, science, craft, tech, digital, heritage and sports events and activities.

6. TREASURER’S REPORT

Jackie reported that she had a meeting with Sue Preston and had now received a final copy of the accounts which Sue was happy with. She was still having problems with the transfer of names at both Skipton and HSBC and would visit the branches again to try and sort it out.

Jackie

Jackie was not sure what some of the direct debits being paid to the EBU were for. She will contact Gail Nancarrow at the EBU to find out the details.

No decision was taken about what to do with the two bonds which are held with Skipton to a combined value of £20k that will expire in November.

Jackie

Since this needs to happen before the next committee meeting, Jackie will investigate the alternatives, and email the committee with a proposal.

The EBED fee for the Play and Coach had not been paid as there is no phone number associated with the county’s debit card which enables verification.

Shirley agreed to pay the fee from her own account and Jackie will reimburse her. This has had the unintended consequence that Gift Aid can be paid on the sum of £450, meaning that EBED have now been paid £512.50.

8. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Tim updated the committee on Jeffrey’s condition. He said that Graham Osborne had kindly agreed to takeover Jeffrey’s role as Match Secretary with assistance from Gail.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

William said that the AGM minutes were not on the website. This has now been rectified.

Shirley asked Tony what happened after Karen Johnson from Horley had asked for help at the AGM as her teaching experience had been poor. Tony confirmed that a member of his club is now mentoring her, and she is having Next Steps tuition.

Trevor has been doing a lot of work with the EBU to get monthly totals for masterpoints rather than just wait until the EBU publish the list annually in March. Now there is more emphasis on master points, it is felt that players like to respond to being able to see the number of points they have gained more frequently.

Trevor will ask John to put on the website the cumulative monthly totals June- August which he has got so far from the EBU.

Ideally, he would like to have it from January. He is following this up with Tim Anderson at the EBU.

NEXT MEETING –

Friday 2nd December at 3.30 p.m.

Trevor