

**NOTTINGHAMSHIRE CHESS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 7:30  
pm Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021 by zoom**

**Minutes**

1. Apologies and attendees

Apologies were received from Shane Bhayatt, Phil Morgan

In attendance:

Nick London - R&B

Barry Redburn - R&B

John Swain - Gambit

Derek Padviz - Gam

Brian Hayward - Gam

Mike Naylor - Gam

Dave Griffiths - Nomads

Graham Neil - Nomads

Maurice Hill - Nomads

Bob Abrahamart - W Bridgford

Holly Jacobson - W Brid

Chris Budd - W Brid

Tim Walker - W Brid

Steve Burke - Ashfield

Neil Graham - Ashfield

Chris Holt - Grantham

Graham Ladds - Newark

Andy Walker - Exec Cte

2. Previous Minutes

No previous minutes due to the 2020 meeting not taking place due to the pandemic.

3. Any matters arising

Andrew Walker was elected to be chair of the meeting

A minutes silence was held for the death of Robert Richmond,

4. Season 21/22

a. Proposal

“That LMC be given discretion to modify or suspend existing rules for 2021-22 season as appropriate to accommodate the circumstances of Covid-19 restrictions.

This is to enable standard play league chess to be re-established.”

This was Proposed by Nick London. This was passed unanimously at the meeting given the circumstances of the pandemic.

#### b. General Discussion

- i. What are the views/circumstances of clubs and their players? Venues?

Not all clubs were present at the meeting. There was no attendance from University, Central, West Notts. It was unclear for most clubs as to whether they could remain in their current venues due to the restrictions associated with the pandemic. It is a matter of wait and see. This will obviously feed into how the season will work

- ii. Format of 21/22?

Nick London explained that the views of players and clubs had been sought. Details of this research was before the meeting.

- iii. Likely COVID restrictions/implications for OTB matches

It was indicated there was some guidance from ECF on this issue. It may again be a wait and see policy.

- iv. County Teams 21/22

GN explained the rules as per the website. It was explained we needed to make a decision on this point within a month. Mick Frings Offered to do U1400 and it was indicated that a junior team was likely. This would be confirmed. There was time for others and GN would circulate an email to gauge further interest.

#### 5. Report of Charity Committee

This Committee had been set up by the EC following RR death. RR had bequeathed a substantial sum of money. The charity itself was in the process of being set up. The NCA could elect 3 trustees.

#### 6. Presentation/announcement of Prizes

There were no league prizes for 20/21 as no season.

The winner of best game was Mike Naylor and Nick London. There was no prize for best swindle. The prizes related to 19/20 season as there was no 20/21 season.

## 7. Officers Reports

Reports were received from (attached)  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Auditor  
League Secretary  
League Management Committee  
County Teams  
Correspondence Team  
Ecf/MCU delegate  
Junior Committee

## 8. Election of Officers (a name next to the post is the current postholder not known to be retiring)

- i. President - M. Hill
- ii. Secretary - G Neil
- iii. Treasurer- S Burke
- iv. Executive Committee- President, Secretary, Treasurer, M Hill, A Walker, N London (vacancies-to be co opted if necessary)
- v. League Secretary- N London
- vi. Records Secretary- M Naylor
- vii. League Management Committee – League Secretary, Records Secretary, C Budd, C Holt, S Scott, D Griffiths, P Morgan, A Robbins
- viii. County Teams- VACANT
- ix. Correspondence- P Morgan
- x. Grader- Abolished (due to LMS system)
- xi. Congress Director/committee  
Rapidplay Director/committee  
County Championship Controller- John Swain, Simon Scott  
Steve Burke
- xii. Webmaster- D Coates
- xiii. Website Contributing Editor- P Morgan

- xiv. ECF Delegate- G Neil
- xv. MCCU Delegate- C Budd, T Walker,
- xvi. Auditor- D Griffiths
- xvii. Junior Committee- S Scott,  
T Walker, L Jacobsen, H Willow, M Swanwick
- xviii. Lead Safeguarding Officer P Beckett
- xix. Deputy Safeguarding Officer- S Burke
- xx. Charity Commission. B Abrahart, E Jones, G Ladds,  
M Taylor, N London. Elected members G Neil, D Griffiths, C Budd

9. Discussion of plans for the centenary year of NCA in 2022.

It was agreed that the EC would consider this further.

10.AOB

Further signatories will be needed to the account and this will be discussed by the EC and Steve Burke in particular.