

SCCA Executive Committee Minutes
Sunday 6th March 2011, 2pm via Sykpe

Present

Iain Mackintosh (Chair), Gordon Anderson, Jim Anderson, Alan Borwell, Kevin Paine, George Pyrich.

Apologies

Colin Macgregor, George Livie (connection problems)

Minutes of the Meeting on 20 June 2010

Accepted.

Matters Arising

- Alan is awaiting an updated webserver development plan from Martin Bennedik in order to track the correct recording of SIM titles in crosstables. **(Action: Alan Borwell)**
- Martin Hardwick's withdrawal from the postal league was confirmed. Action closed.
- An updated membership analysis was issued to committee. Action closed.
- New SM qualification rules were documented in the magazine and on the website. Action closed.
- 2nd Webserver Open - an SCCA flier and free magazine have still to be distributed to new players. **(Action: Kevin Paine, Jim Anderson)**
- A top grading of 1750 was applied to the 2011 Open event. Action closed.
- Some new time controls were applied to 2011 domestic events, but not Leagues. Full set to be applied for 2012. **(Action: Kevin Paine, Jim Anderson)**
- An email circular was issued on 100 Club units which attracted new subscriptions. Action closed.
- Bank charges for international money transfers were investigated with the best option being personal transfers to the ICCF UK account (reimbursed via expense claims). Action closed.

Membership Secretary's Report

Kevin had issued an analysis of membership types and activity. Annual members were down slightly, while life and patron held steady. As usual, some chase-up activity is necessary; some late/new arrivals are expected; team captains need to supply player fees. **(Action: Kevin Paine, Jim Anderson)**

Domestic Events Report

Colin's indisposition at year-end meant a late start to event administration, but most tournaments were started during January, with only minor problems synchronising webserver admin and TD communications. Leagues were not fully operational until the beginning of February after Jim stepped in to assist. An earlier start is desirable for 2012 and Jim volunteered to organise Leagues to help any new secretary. **(Action: Jim Anderson)**

Treasurer's Report

Gordon reported that 2010-11 looks to be satisfactory. Both income and expenses are slightly down and a small surplus is expected (assuming no unexpected late expenses received). A comparative fifteen-year analysis of income and expenses is available on the website.

Gordon will produce a fresh forecasting model to include variations on annual membership numbers, the absence of the CS grant, changes to ICCF delegate expenses, and provision for SCCA sponsorship of ICCF VWC trophies. **(Action: Gordon Anderson, Iain Mackintosh)**

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Outstanding expense claims plus trophy and engraving costs to be supplied to Gordon asap.
(Action: Kevin Paine, Jim Anderson)

International Secretary's Report

George P reported that Scotland shared 7-10th in the 6th NATT; stand 6th in our 18th Olympiad section; and share 8th in the 8th ETC preliminaries. Our team has started play in the Thor Løvholt Memorial, and will shortly begin in the 19th (Postal) Olympiad.

Friendly internationals against Rest of the World, Australia, USA, Ecuador, Scheming Mind, Lithuania, Sweden, Cape Verde, Hong Kong and Finland continue, with new matches against France and Romania pending.

We submitted 47 individual entries to ICCF events in 2010, with Alan Borwell and Stuart Graham taking nominated places in the World Championship preliminaries.

The 2011 ICCF Congress will take place in Jarvenpaa, Finland from 30th July to 5th August.

Grader's Report

ICCF grading list 2011/2 is expected shortly, otherwise nothing to report.

100 Club Report

George L reported that we have now sold 93 units, with existing subscribers topping up and new members received.

ICCF Veterans' World Cup

Alan reported the following status:

- **VWC2:** preliminary sections finished on schedule at end-February with only 3 uncompleted games, two of which will require adjudication. The qualifiers list of 65 is almost complete and semi-finals will commence in June.
- **VWC3:** preliminaries started in September 2010 and will finish end-February 2012. 11 games were adjudicated by Iain in a section where a player had to withdraw through illness.
- **VWC4:** entries will be taken April-June and preliminaries will start in September 2011.

We will inform the 2011 ICCF Congress that these tournaments represent the completion of SCCA sponsorship and administration. **(Action: George Pyrich, Alan Borwell)**

AOB

Jim reported the ICCF webserver system can't communicate with mobile phones. Martin Bennedik will be contacted. **(Action: Iain Mackintosh)**

Colin Macgregor is to stand down as secretary at the AGM, so a replacement is required. **(Action: Iain Mackintosh)**

Iain reported that SCCA now has a Facebook page; members please 'like' it if impressed.

Next Meeting

Executive Committee and AGM on Sunday June 5th at 2pm and 4pm respectively. Provisionally 7 Tullylumb Terrace, Perth.