

SCCA Executive Committee Minutes
Thursday 11th January, 2018, 8:00pm, by Skype

Present

Iain Mackintosh (Chair), Gordon Anderson, Alan Borwell, Kevin Paine (all Skype).

Apologies

Alastair Dawson.

In Memoriam

A minute's silence was held in memory of George Pyrich who died on December 16th.

Minutes of the Meeting on 28th May 2017

Accepted.

Matters Arising

- a. Leaflets for CS Congresses. No action, c/f. **(Action: Iain [editing]; Alan [distribution])**
- b. SCCA Rules. Website updated, action closed.
- c. HBoS Indemnity Change. Work done, needs to be finalised. **(Action: Gordon, Kevin)**
- d. SCCA Funds on Dissolution. Website updated, action closed.

George Pyrich Duties

The following allocation was agreed:

ICCF Delegate and International Secretary	Gordon Anderson (in addition to Treasurer)
Selection Committee Chairman	Richard Beecham
International Reporting (magazine)	Peter Bennett, Alastair Dawson
Grader	Kevin Paine (in addition to Membership)
Vice President	vacant until AGM

ICCF President Eric Ruch is to be advised of changes. **(Action Iain)**

Memorial Events

Separate tournaments to honour both George Livie and George Pyrich were agreed. Ideally, the GL event should start first (say before the ICCF Congress) with an interval of a few months to stagger games for those wishing to play in both. Invitations will be worded flexibly to allow for 11, 13 or 15-player sections, organised by grading bands – the final numbers and splits to be determined by entries received. No cash prizes, but engraved quaichs (per VWC) for winners. Certificates could be provided for all entrants. We will ask for help from other federations to provide TDs, allowing more Scots to participate. Alan kindly volunteered to act as TO. Initial contact is to be made with Margaret Livie and Catherine Pyrich. **(Action Alan)**

Membership Secretary's Report

Kevin reported that 20 annual members (including 5 new) had subscribed so far with further renewals expected. One new life member (Richard White) has registered.

Domestic Events Report

Kevin reported that the following events have started: Championship (6 players); Premier (7 players) and Open (2x6 players, though some duplication). The Webserver League again has 3

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divisions, each with 7 teams and is expected to start next week. The Challengers won't start until February in order to spread the games load.

Treasurer's Report

Gordon reported on the position at end-December 2017. Income was down on the previous year, partly due to cheque processing delays (the HBOS Indemnity issue), and partly to a reduction in 100 Club subscriptions. Paying out only 50% of the 100 Club fund on prizes was mooted.
(Action: Gordon)

Expenditure was slightly up on the previous year and there will be no compensating bank interest from either HBOS or Barclays. The overall year-end forecast remains a small surplus.

International Secretary's Report

Gordon provided a summary report on team performances in the Olympiad, ETC, NSTT, NATT, Esko Nuutilainen Memorial, Tri-Nations and BCCTC events, plus a round-up of friendly internationals. Most standings had been published with the assistance of Peter Bennett in Magazine 140.

Gordon is starting to assemble individual entries and other ICCF administrative details. Austin Lockwood will be the main reference point for SCO details on the ICCF Webserver. We will also try to access George's files via Catherine Pyrich. **(Action Iain)**

We will invite Clive Murden to join Richard Beecham and Tom Matheis on our Selection Committee. **(Action Iain)**

Alan Bell of Falkirk has qualified for the ICCF CCE title by scoring 5/9 on Board 3 in the 21st Olympiad Preliminaries. His medal has now been posted.

The 2018 ICCF Congress will be held in Llandudno, Wales from 18th to 23rd August, with Gordon and his wife Margaret attending as our delegate. Alan Borwell may attend for the last two days.

Grader's Report

Kevin reported that his first download of grading data from the ICCF Webserver had gone smoothly. There is some potential to automate the production of top grades/games played league tables for the magazine. Redundant commentary on the magazine grading page could be replaced by tracking norm holders for SM, CCE, CCM and other titles. **(Action Kevin, Iain)**

Website, Facebook and Magazine

Iain reported that the website and Facebook were operating normally. Magazine 140 had just been issued, including tributes to George, and a copy had been sent to Catherine Pyrich. Website and magazine references to George will be replaced by new details. **(Action Iain)**

AOB

Gordon noted that Data Protection changes were looming and offered to forward details from his contacts in other organisations. We'll review and action as necessary. **(Action: Gordon, Iain)**

Next Meetings

Committee meeting (2pm), followed by AGM (4pm) on Sunday, May 27, 2018, via Skype.