

## SCCA Executive Committee Minutes

Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2002, 2pm at 7 Tullylumb Terrace, Perth. PH1 1BA

### Present

Iain Mackintosh (chair), George Pyrich, Raymond Baxter, Alan Borwell, Jim Anderson.

### Apologies

Stuart Mackenzie.

### Minutes of Last Meeting

Accepted.

### Matters Arising

Copy of database should be ready in a couple of weeks (**action Jim**).

The restructuring of the web site is finished.

Iain had contacted Chess Suppliers, Chess Mail, ChessBase and Informant about advertising. Chess Mail and Chess Base are willing to give cds or books for prizes. Informant want us to send an invoice for last year. Chess Suppliers are not yet forthcoming (**action Iain**).

The e-mag is now downloadable from the web. (Members need user name and password).

Bernard Partridge prize money split to be sent to Jim and Stuart (**action Iain**).

### Controller

Jim is still looking for a controller to look after the e-mail tournament. Two further names were raised by the committee and he is going to phone them to see if they are interested (**action Jim**).

### Finance

Stuart Mackenzie had sent a draft copy of the 2001-02 P&L account. The committee were happy with the report but noted that the trophies and Controller expenses for the year are still to be added, and the magazine income wasn't fully apportioned from membership fees (**action Stuart prior to audit**).

Given the projected surplus, the committee agreed on the ICCF delegate travel for this year. This will be reviewed each year at this time.

Stuart's budget forecast for 2002-03 was to be circulated to committee (**action Iain**).

### Promotional Material

Iain had circulated a sheet with information that could be put in a leaflet or flier, and a schedule of who these leaflets should be given to and when. After discussion it was decided to combine the material on one sheet, with a 2- or 3-fold presentation, ready for circulation to summer congresses (**action Jim**).

### Silver Jubilee

After discussion on how to celebrate our jubilee year, the committee agreed on a friendly match against players from around the world. We are hoping to have up to 100 boards, with some players taking 2 or 3 boards, and the match starting in autumn. We will need some help to canvass Scottish interest before firming up with ICCF contacts (**action George**).

Badges (or other memorabilia) for participants in the match need to be researched (**action Jim**).

It was also decided to have a Dinner for members, partners and other invited guests in late November, either in Edinburgh or Glasgow. We hope to be able to decide where and when at the AGM once we have a list of venues and prices (**action Raymond and George Livie**).

A small committee will be needed to organise the dinner - invitations, speakers, mementos for founding members, etc (**action Iain**).

There will also be a special edition of the magazine for the Jubilee. This will have articles and games covering the 22 years of the SCCA magazine (**action Iain**).

A list of winners of the championship (and possibly other domestic events) would be a useful addition to the website (**action Iain**).

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### **Strategy**

Iain had written some notes on strategy, reflecting on the general downturn in CC and OTB members, and new technology advances. The trends were generally agreed, as was the need to promote ourselves more actively (per above actions), but other possible ways forward needed further clarification and discussion. A further note was needed for the pre-AGM committee meeting (**action Iain**).

### **International**

The Canadian organiser had resurfaced, but our planned friendly match with Canada has now been postponed as we have accepted an invitation from Catalonia, probably starting in June (**action George**).

We will field 2 teams in the ICCF Champions League.

### **Titles**

Raymond asked the committee to ratify the following SCCA Master titles and norms:

I Aird 3<sup>rd</sup> Norm and Scottish Master title.

B Milligan 3<sup>rd</sup> Norm and Scottish Master title.

D Neil 3<sup>rd</sup> Norm and Scottish Master title

A C Brown 1<sup>st</sup> Norm

G W G Livie 1<sup>st</sup> Norm

These were all ratified by the committee.

### **Next Meeting (and AGM)**

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2002 at 2pm. Venue Chess Suppliers Scotland (**action Jim to confirm**).

AGM notice to be posted on the website (**action Iain**).