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Minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on Thursday 27th June 2024 via Zoom, commencing at 7:30pm.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Duncan Brown

Present: Carolyn Edwins (Chair), Richard Wenban, Melissa Rowley, Tim Edwins, Jamie Finley, Alan Creegen, Peter Shillinglaw, David Baxter, Alex Spillett, Mark Toulson.

2. **Matters arising from the previous meeting:**

Tim reported that Duncan had contacted DC Pétanque regarding KPA branded jacks, they have come back saying they can do 100 for £2.50 each. All agreed to proceed but we might need nearer 200. Duncan to go back to DC Pétanque and ask for a further quote.

Jamie is awaiting feedback from the recent weekend competition in France that the PE juniors attended and is also still looking at having a coaching day later in the year.

3. **Treasurer's report:**

David had circulated the latest accounts by email.

4. **Membership report:**

David is still acting as KPA membership secretary and notes nothing really to report at present.

5. **Playing matters:**

The KPA Shooting Championship was won by Barry Soilleux with Jeff Mack as runner up. The KPA Mixed Doubles are being held this Sunday 30th June at the Railway Inn; Duncan is contacting Dave Littlely to confirm all ok. Hartley are all set to host the KPA Singles on Friday 5th July and Tim is ok to run it. Q4 is on Sunday 7th July at GRFC. The playing committee decided that all matches will be played on the outside terrains, as this better represents having no roof at Pakefield, unless extreme inclement weather. Richard is going to run the KPA Over 55s Doubles at Lordswood on 28th July, Tim will email across leagues and knockout sheets to Richard. Tim will confirm with Lordswood they are ok to host.

6. Playing committee feedback:

Carolyn reported that the PC have decided to cancel the Pro/Am event, more time is needed to plan and really work out how to get the best out of the event for all players. This may be revisited later in the year. The PC will meet at GRFC after Q4 to finalise the Kent squads and managers.

7. KPA website progress:

The new KPA website is now live, and we have had lots of positive feedback from members. Tim said it is great to be able to keep news and events current, he has populated all events for the rest of the year and can easily add flyers or more information when we have it. David has also added a roll of honour page and is pleased to see it all working well. We have been offered a website care plan with detailed statistics and analytics for £60 per month, all agreed this was quite expensive and probably overkill for what we require.

8. Maidstone schools project:

Carolyn has had a great response for volunteers and has organised a KPA team for the day to provide coaching and information to the students. Licences will need to be printed to use as ID on the school property. Jamie said it could be a good idea for those going to wear KPA kit or shirts, all agreed.

9. Date of next MC Meeting:

Confirmed as Thursday 1st August via Zoom.

10. Any other business:

David asked about the Pakefield accommodation, Carolyn thought Duncan would be OK to continue doing it for Kent squads. David also mentioned that the subsidy this year would likely need to be reduced, due to the reduced number of entries to the qualifier events and therefore less income for the KPA. Tim to announce at the start of Q4 to make all players aware and be transparent.

Alex asked about the trophies at the presentation night, David will send over the catalogue for Alex to get some new ideas.

Meeting closed 20:16.