



**Minutes of the Committee Meeting of the Hull and District Chess Association, held at Willows Chess Club, Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> September 2014.**

The Committee Meeting, due notice having been given, was quorate.

The President opened the Meeting at 7.20pm

**Present:** Steve King (President), Stephen Greep, Roger Noble, Derek Sheppard, William Wright, Dave Mills, Steve Thrower and John Thompson.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Andrew Bettley, Graham Chesters and Jim Miklevicz
2. **Minutes of the last meeting(s)**
  - 2.1 Committee Meeting of 03//07/2014 - unanimously voted as a true record
3. **Matters arising** - there were no matters arising not otherwise covered on the agenda
4. **Treasurer's Report** – presented a written report which had been previously circulated. In a discussion on ECF Grading fees and following from the previous decision that individual players should be responsible for their grading fees, it was agreed that no one should be selected to play in the Yorkshire League unless they were either ECF members or agreed to pay their own grading fees. To draw a line under last year it was agreed not to pursue outstanding financial requests from individuals further.
5. **League and Fixture secretaries report(s)** – The Summer league was progressing well. Fixtures for the winter league were already distributed. The Handbook(s) were almost ready for distribution. It was agreed that a proposal would go to the next AGM in respect of the date that team entries had to be received for the winter league would be at 1<sup>st</sup> July in future years.
6. **Hull 2014 Congress** – this was well in hand. There were already over 30 entries, about the same/slightly ahead of last year. Stephen Greep agreed to send a reminder out to local players to try to get more local support than last year. Organisational arrangements were well in hand.
7. **Events**
  - 7.1 **Grand Master Simultaneous** – There were still a few places left and the ‘team’ for the morning ‘blitz’ had not been formalised. There was still some time to go, however, and it should not be difficult to get to the full complement of players (30 for the simultaneous and 6 for the blitz).
  - 7.2 **Holy Trinity Open Day** – this event had been cancelled due to lack of support. It was agreed, however, to send a small (£25) donation to Holy Trinity as a matter of goodwill.

**8. Yorkshire League matches**

Yorkshire fixtures had been produced for next season, although there was currently no information about the Sunderland Trophy. The venue for home games would be Anlaby Park Library. Stephen Greep agreed to send a reminder out to players about the Yorkshire League games asking if people were interested in playing

**9. Any other business**

**9.1 ECF Grading fees for Yorkshire Matches** – discussed under the treasurer’s report

**9.2 Willows Signage funding request** – Willows Club had now decided not to progress with this idea.

**9.3 Barton Chess Club** - David Mills informed the committee that Barton Chess club were looking to be more closely associated with HDCA. The Barton Club secretary was to write to Stephen Greep.

**10. Date of next meeting – Tuesday November 11<sup>th</sup>, Willows Club, 19.15**

There being no further business the President closed the Meeting at 20.55

Stephen Greep,  
Hon. General Secretary  
12/09/14