

# EPRA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AT LANGLEY MILL

## SUNDAY 30<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2000

Chairman: M.Regan  
Treasurer: J.Irelan-Hill  
Examination Secretary:L.Beddis

All correspondence to  
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Meeting opened at 13:01.

### **1 Attendees**

#### **1.1 Present**

M.Regan (Chairman), M.Perkins (Vice-Chairman), M.Morter (General Secretary), J.Irelan-Hill (Treasurer), L.Beddis (Exam Secretary)

A.Clayton (Region 1), A.Blackburn(Region 2), A.Skelton (Region 3), R.Maddern (Region 4), R.Slater (Region 6), J.Davies (Region 7)

S.Sheasby (Region 3)  
J.Arnold (Region 3)  
M.Harley (Region 3)  
G.Whittaker (Region 2)  
C.Robins (Region 2)  
R.Shore (Region 2)  
S.Baker (Region 2)

#### **1.2 Observers**

None

#### **1.3 Apologies**

R.Heyett (Region 6)

### **2 Minutes of Last Meeting**

The minutes of the last AGM (31<sup>st</sup> January 1999) were taken as read and proposed as a true record by Alan Blackburn. This was seconded by Ron Maddern. All agreed.

### **3 Matters Arising From Minutes**

None

## **4 Chairman's Report**

The Chairman stated he was very disappointed at the poor turnout at today's AGM.

The year has gone financially reasonably well, however the move from EPA Rules to World Rules appears to have resulted in a lack of interest in people taking exams.

The Chairman then expressed concern that some Officers appear to wear an EPRA and an EPA hat.

The Chairman remarked that there had been some good tournaments in the past year, and was please to see the 3 man team competition back with the EPA.

Finally, the Chairman wished Ivor Powell, who is currently back in hospital, a speedy and long team recovery.

## **5 Finance Report**

### **5.1 Report**

The Treasurer presented the accounts (as already distributed to all members in a mail-shot in January).

The Associations funds increase by £374.65 during 1999. The Treasurer will monitor the situation regarding increase in funds in-case a requirement to pay tax arises.

### **5.2 Discussion**

A full discussion on the accounts took place, with the following main points being made:

5.2.1 Currently all cheques are sent to the General Secretary as soon as payment is received form the organisers.

5.2.2 Funds could be used to pay Referees promptly. However this could not be done if a lot of events were happening in a small period of time.

5.2.3 It was stated that invoices for events are sent to organisers as early as possible to alleviate the waiting time.

5.2.4 Discussions are ongoing with the banking ombusman.

5.2.5 No one has come forward as Auditor, despite advertising the position. Shaun Baker volunteered. Everyone was in favour of him taking on this role.

5.2.6 It was noted that the current Treasurer did not claim for expenses such as minor postage or travel. It must be remembered that this will not be the case if someone else takes on the Treasurers position.

The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks for the Treasurer.

It was proposed, by Robert Shore, and seconded by Alan Blackburn, that the accounts be accepted. All agreed.

## 6 Examination Secretary's Report

The Examination Secretary gave the following breakdown of exams, which took place between 31/1/1999 and 30/1/2000:

### World Rules

Region	Exams	Pass
1	10	0
2	4	2
3	1	0
4	3	1
5	23	1
6	21	6
7	13	1
South Africa	3	0
Scotland	2	0
	<b>80</b>	<b>11</b>

### EPA Rules

Region	Exams	Pass
1	5	0
2	0	0
3	17	7
4	8	0
5	0	0
6	0	0
7	0	0
South Africa	0	0
Scotland	0	0
	<b>23</b>	<b>7</b>

13.75% passed at world rules, which is very low  
23.3% passed at EPA rules, which is a good percentage

Chris Box has retired as an examiner. Many thanks for all the work done over the years as an Examiner.

## 7 Motions For Debate

See attached sheets.

## 8 Election of Officers

### 8.1 *Election of Chairman*

The Vice Chairman, Mike Perkins, was the only nomination received to stand against the incumbent Chairman Mike Regan.

The Chairman stated that a sitting officer should not stand for another post. The Vice Chairman resigned from the position of Vice Chairman. This position will be voted for at an EGM at 13:30 on the date of the next Delegate meeting.

The two members left and the General Secretary took the Chair. A secrete ballot was taken, which resulted in Mike Regan being returned to the Chair.

### 8.2 *Attendance at EPA meetings*

Mike Perkins is now the Region 4 Delegate to the EPA and hence can no longer represent the EPRA at EPA meetings. It was agreed by the AGM that the General Secretary would take on this function.

**Meeting closed at 15:35.**