

The British Flyball Association



Minutes of Committee Meeting No 3 2011/2012 Held on Sunday 12th February 2012 At The Manor Hotel, Meriden, Coventry. Commencing at 9.30 am

Present: Sharon Allcorn, Tony Cain, Rachel Child, Val Currie ,Sam Bawden, Ray Lewis, Jo Crosswell, Dan Culley, Ellen Schofield

1. Minutes of last meeting (No 03- 2011/12)

Confirmed as a true record of proceedings

2. Chairs Opening Speech

The 2012/2013 Committee members were welcomed to the meeting.

Communication has improved and correspondence has been answered in a timely manner, we will continue to hold Skype meetings.

Favourable feedback has been received regarding the AGM from BFA members, they appreciated the chance to discuss proposals in a positive manner without fear of intimidation.

3. Matters arising:

Champs 2012 – The Arbury Hall agreement has been received and signed. The following services have been booked: Marquee, 24 x toilets, 6 x showers, elsan cubes, fire extinguishers & PA. The bar has been booked again and will close at 2am. It was agreed that a tournament information pack and site plan will be posted onto the website. A land survey is to be carried out to determine the best possible position for the 4 rings. We are advertising for a Show Administrator to oversee all the paperwork for the show. Camping Coordinator, Arena Coordinator, Awards Coordinator posts have been allocated and are working on their specific areas individually. It was decided that a charge would be made for trade stands this year. BFA member stands will be charged £50 for the weekend and Non BFA member stands will be charged £150 for the weekend, rescues will be allowed to stand free of charge. Team entry fees will be £35 per team and camping will be charged at £20 for Thurs, Fri & Sat evening, Sunday will only be allowed by special arrangement and will be charged at £10. We are still looking to confirm a photographer to attend for the weekend, more details will follow.

Website – Room 101 and other companies are progressing well with the quotations, liaising with our webmaster. Ray Lewis is currently looking into various options to enable electronic payments, he is discussing our individual requirements with various companies who can offer a Merchant account and a payment portal. A Website Working Party is to be created, more details will follow.

Measuring Devise Working Party - After their report was given at the AGM, the Committee have approved that this should be taken forward. The board and measuring stick are currently being worked on.

Regional Reps Working Party – After their report was given at the AGM, a Full job description is being written and will be advertised shortly.

Lights Working Party – After their report was given at the AGM, the Lights Specification was agreed and will come on affect once the AGM Rule changes have been published.

4. Secretary's Correspondence:

Confidential correspondence received by the Secretary was discussed in detail by the committee, responses were sent

Height Card Audit - An audit of BFA Height Cards was taken independently by a BFA Head Judge, this was discussed in detail. It was decided that the Bronze height cards will be replaced by blue ones to avoid confusion.

5. Membership Secretary's Report

Membership as of 15th April 2012 is 2470
296 Primary Teams

Members are still renewing their membership now, in April. The form is to be amended to provide clarification.

6. Show Secretary's Report

A detailed report was presented to the Committee.

7. Finances:

A detailed report was presented to the committee and they reviewed the current financial position.

The BFA accounts were externally audited in March 2012/

8. Chairman's Correspondence:

No Correspondence Received.

9. Any Other Business:

Champs 2013 – Various venues are being looked at for 2013, Earls Barton has been suggested however camping would have to be in a separate field. The venue will be finalised and the intention is to have it booked by August 2012.

Publicity Officer – The Committee have decided that due to the imminent introduction of Regional Representatives, this role is not longer required. We would like to Thank Ellen Stewart for all her efforts.

Junior Handler Award – The purpose of the Junior Handler scheme was discussed at length, Sam Bawden & Ellen Schofield are to develop a new scheme over the next 12 months, will full Committee guidance.

Parvo Virus & Gardia – Correspondence has been received regarding the recent outbreak of the following. Veterinary guidance is being sought by the Committee and further details will follow.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – 21st May 2012 (Skype)

Meeting Closed at 17.40pm