# The British Flyball Association



## Minutes of Committee Meeting No 2 2012/2013 Held on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2012 At The Manor Hotel, Meriden, Coventry. Commencing at 9.30 am

**Present**: Sharon Allcorn, Rachel Child, Val Currie ,Sam Bawden, Ray Lewis, Jo Croswell, Dan Culley, Ellen Schofield

## 1. Minutes of last meeting (No 01- 2012/13)

Confirmed as a true record of proceedings

## 2. Chairs Opening Speech

It was emphasised that we have an extensive agenda and was therefore important to keep to the point. Impartiality during racing was discussed, as Committee members we must be impartial at all times.

# 3. Matters arising:

Champs 2012 Feedback – Only negative feedback that was received was that members could not stay Sunday evening. Positive feedback was received regarding the positioning of the 4 rings. The organisation of the champs this year was discussed in detail and a few points were noted. We will require more ring moves next year. Ring providers will be asked to set up their own arena's. It was mentioned that if possible a site plan in advance for the camping would be useful however the logistical difficulties were acknowledged. Helpers for next years champs will be designated roles in advance and a rota will be drawn up to organise this in advance. The welcome pack was a very useful tool and will be fully utilised in future. Entertainment Coordinator role is no longer necessary, Music and entertainment will be more varied next year, fancy dress if organised will be for fun only and no prize will be given. Catering facilities were not ideal and alternative supplier is to be sought. Ring party drinks will be done "in house" rather than using the caterers. Entries for the Champs 2013 will be sent direct to the Admin Team and BFA Secretary will be a liaison between the Committee and them.

Website Working Party – The WWP have met 3 times via Skype and are making progress. Committee approval was given for Room 101 to be the new website hosts after reviewing the quotes received. (quotes are available for viewing) Hosting of the website is £80 per month including 24 hour support. Merchant account is still yet to be decided however Natwest and Barclays are possibilities. The development of the website is still at the quoting stage.

Lights Working Party – The LWP is currently looking at alternative lights systems. Dan Culley is currently working on a prototype that meets our current spec, this is at present a development piece. On board batteries will run

for 5 days at 12 hours per day, the display on the clocks will be light reflective. The system will also run on a generator. A lights report form is to be created to provide feedback on our current system.

Regional Representatives – A disappointing number of applications have been received. These are currently being discussed by the Committee with Roles being offered In due course.

Measuring Device Working Party – At present a design for the measuring stick is being investigated. This is to be moved forward now as it was voted upon at the AGM.

## 4. Secretary's Correspondence:

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

### 5. Membership Secretary's Report

Membership as of 30<sup>th</sup> September is 2789 303 Primary Teams

## 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.

An online accounting system suitable for the BFA is to be investigated. Following a unanimous decision by the Committee, Val Currie is also going to source a Book Keeper to provide additional support in managing the Associations Money.

### 8. Chairman's Correspondence:

No Correspondence Received.

### 9. Any Other Business:

Incident Report Spreadsheet is to be reinstated. Incident reports are kept on file only however a database of these will be created and reviewed.

Champs 2013 - Possible venues for the champs 2013 are currently being investigated, Committee viewings are taking place on 11<sup>th</sup> November. Moving Division 1 to Saturday was discussed. The majority felt that the climax should be Division 1 on the Sunday however the necessity for Sunday night camping is a priority for any new venue.

# DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2012 (Skype)

Meeting Closed at

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