



BERKSHIRE VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION

BVA AGM 2021/2022

May 8th 2022

Prepared by Andy Bickle (BVA Chair)

Hosted by James Murphy (BVA Treasurer)

Attendees

- James Murphy – BVA Treasurer (Maidenhead)
- Dave Fox – Competitions Secretary (Reading Aces)
- Sue Sayers – Youth Secretary (Newbury)
- Piers Lawson – BVA Webmaster (Spikeopaths)

Apologies

- Andy Bickle – Chair (Newbury)

Non Attendees



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AGENDA

- Welcome
- Apologies for Absence
- Seasons Report (Andy)
- BVA League Results & MVP's (Dave)
- Youth Development (Sue)
- BVA Finance (James)
- Volleyball England Update
- Proposals & Suggestions
- Proposed changes to Schedule of Fines & Penalties
- BVA Committee – Nominations & Elections
- Summer Competitions & Tournaments
- AOB



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Chairs Report

First of all I'd like to thank James for hosting this years AGM in my absence as my wife had other ideas about my whereabouts. I'd also like to thank the rest of the BVA committee and others that have endeavoured to make this 2021 / 2022 BVA Season a success.

I'd also like to thank Sam of Maidenhead VC for sourcing the venue for this weekend and Dave for organising.

As a token of my thanks and appreciation for the commitment and dedication of the Committee members I'd like to present them all with a small gift.

Looking back at 2021, we didn't know if we were going to be able to play Volleyball in the "normal" way (legally) or if we'd have the venues to use due to all of the issues surrounding COVID, however we have all persevered and have successfully completed another BVA Volleyball season, which for us as an association can be broken down to the following, we are 9 Clubs across 4 counties with potentially another Club joining later this year, 40 teams competing across 5 divisions, a total of 107 scheduled fixtures, so 321 volleyball matches, WOW thank you to you all for making this possible.

The BVA Committee is a group of volunteers here to make volleyball happen for you, we do need additional volunteers moving forward to keep making the BVA a success and I know James will come on to this later.

As a committee we have held 4 virtual BVA Committee meetings, participated in 3 Volleyball England virtual meetings, the SEVA meetings and SEVA AGM and a World Sport Equality & Diversity consultation. There is an AGM follow up meeting planned for the 25th of May. Thank you to all that have participated in these meetings, please remember that these meetings are for your benefit.

There two messages that I would like to pass on to you all.

- Referees, thank you for the role that you do in every match, competitive matches cannot happen without you.
- Players, please leave the referees alone, they are there for your benefit and have enough to do without having to deal with 12 different opinions on their decisions.

Lastly, thank you all for attending today's AGM and have an amazing summer.

Hope to see you all on a court soon, kind Regards Andy.



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League Results & MVP's (Dave Fox – Competitions Secretary)

BVA League Results

- Men's Div 1 - Winners – Oxford Vollox - Relegated - Oxford Uni
- Men's Div 2 - Winners & Promoted – Reading Aces
- Men's Division Playoff - Winners - Farnborough
- Ladies Division - Winners – Oxford Eagles
- Mixed - Basingstoke Tigers



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- **BVA MVP's**

- Men's Div 1 – Simone Mazzoni (Spikeopaths)
- Men's Div 2 – Jordan Ayres (Newbury) & J Brown (Oxford)
- Ladies Div – Magda Caley (Basingstoke) & Aya Kawamoto (Farnborough)
- Mixed Div – Sara Pavanel (Spikeopaths)

- **Notes to All**

- **When completing the MVP section, please use an initial and surname. (A # and a number is of no use to us)**
- **Scoresheets must be submitted to the Website, we can only get the MVP information from the Website submissions**



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Junior Season & Youth Development (Sue Sayers – Youth Development Officer)

Junior League Winners – Reading Aces Juniors A

Junior League MVP – E Chan (Spikeopaths)

Regional Activity & Interaction with SEVA & VE

Junior report

- **Basingstoke** Have about 30 Juniors registered with the club. We have one dedicated training session a week, about 15-20 in attendance each session. We have entered 2 teams in the BVA league and same for the plate tournament.
- **Farnborough** have had 78 juniors that have attended this season but 63 actively participating in sessions (split between beginners and inter/adv'd). We are hoping to enter one boys team next year in the BVA and had several boys attending SEVA sessions (none made final cut). FVC entered in the VE GP Series: 1 x 18u T2 Boys, 1 x 16u T2 Boys, 1 x 15u T2 Girls and 1 x 15u T1 Boys. We also attended HVA junior grand prix series in Nov, Jan, March (hosted) and one coming up in May: 1 x 16u Mixed, 1 x 16u Boys & 1 x 14u girls. We had two accepted into the VE cadets program with one only just being cut recently from final team.
- **Newbury** We have about 35-40 coming to training. We have 1 junior team in the BVA league. We entered under 15 under 16 girls under 16 and under 18 boys in the National tier 2. The juniors are entering a men's and mixed team at the BVA plate and will be taking part in summer tournaments and possibly beach if we can arrange it
- **Reading Aces**
- **Spikeopaths** We had an average of 50 junior players this season, split in two groups for training. We have one team in the BVA Junior League.
- **South Bucks** This year we had 96 juniors ages 7-18. Did not enter BVA as most coaches also juniors so no ability to travel. Played internal events instead w 40+ participants in each. National comps, 18 girls came in 5th in England top tier, u16 girls came in 3rd in England top tier. We are out of court space and have a wait list of 20-25 new players at the moment. We will no longer service adults and will have only juniors in the future. Next year we hope to have intra team events, BVA Juniors and our national team will play Women's.



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Financial Statement (James Murphy – Treasurer)



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BVA Finances as at 15-May-2018					
BVA Balance Brought Forward	£8,238				
					Last Year
Income	£296	£2,210	Expenditure	-£2,476	-£1,200
League entry Fees	£0		Deposit refund	£0	
Good Will deposits	£0		SEVA Costs 2021/22	-£240	
Fines	£0		BVA Plate costs 21/22	-£2,000	
SEVA entry Fees	£60				
Sponsorship	£236		Individual Plaques	-£236	
Outstanding Income	£60	£0	Outstanding Expenditure (commitments)	-£1,380	-£1,650
SEVA entry Fees	£60		Good Will Deposits	-£820	
			Play off costs 2017/18	-£560	
Play off cost 2021/22	£0		Play off costs 2021/22	-£0	
Total In/out actual	£296			-£2,476	
Total in/Out (inc. debts & commitments)	£356	£2,210		-£3,856	-£2,850
Current Account Balance				£5,766	£8,238



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Volleyball England Update **(James Murphy – VE Representative)**



- VE Update

- Almost half the staff in VE are now acting roles meaning there is immense pressure
- The new junior format has been well received it will be evolved but we desperately need more volunteers to help run it
- We don't have enough NVL referees so if you are interested in being upgraded please let me know
- 25 New teams have applied to enter the NVL this season!



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**Proposals & Potential Rule changes to be voted on
(Please BVA AGM Appendix A)**



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BVA Fines & Penalties & Proposed Changes

Current

Fines

We do not like giving out fines but in case there are situations where teams lose out on money because of avoidable situations regarding the rules we have the following fines in place:

- Fielding illegal player(s) £15 per player
- Default of match Half the cost of the venue is also payable to the host team £20 + 1 league point
- Failure to supply five match officials £10
- Failure to provide qualified first referee £10 + 1 league point
- Illegal team uniform £10 per player (The fine for illegal team uniform is only applicable after a team has been warned on the first occurrence of such an offence)
- Failure to notify match results on time £10
- Failure to post results with correct postage £10 + postage due
- Not having a representative at the AGM £20
- Late payment of fines £20 per 14 days

For clubs with more than one team:

- Failure to attend a BVA committee meeting Warning Only
- Failure to attend 2 BVA committee meetings £5
- Failure to attend 3 BVA committee meetings £10
- Failure to attend 4 BVA committee meetings £20

A penalty has been added for the failure to use the correct postage when scoresheets are posted, as this causes undue work for the Competition Secretary, having to collect the letter from the Post Office and pay the postage due costs.

Proposal

Fines

We do not like giving out fines but in some cases there are situations where teams lose out on money because of avoidable situations regarding the rules we have the following fines in place:

- Team Fielding an illegal player(s) £15 per player and default of Match
- Default of match (Non attendance) Half the cost of the venue is payable to the host team, £20 fine and the deduction of 1 league point
- Failure to supply five match officials £10 per missing official
- Failure to provide a qualified first referee (Person that has passed a VE Grade 4 Course or international equivalent) £20 and the deduction of league point
- Illegal team uniform £10 per player (The fine for illegal team uniform is only applicable after a team has been warned on the first occurrence of such an offence)
- Failure to submit match results to the BVA Website within two days - £10
- Failure to submit Digital image of the Match Scoresheets to the Competitions Secretary within one week - £10
- Not having a representative at the AGM £20
- Late payment of fines £20 per 14 days

For All Clubs

- Failure to attend a BVA committee meeting Warning Only
- Failure to attend 2 Consecutive BVA committee meetings £5
- Failure to attend 3 Consecutive BVA committee meetings £10
- Failure to attend 4 Consecutive BVA committee meetings £20

All monies received by the BVA via the Fines system will be put into a separate fund, the use of this fund is to be decided at the first BVA committee Meeting of each Season.



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BVA Committee – Officer Elections

- BVA Chair – Andy Bickle
- BVA Secretary – **Vacant** (nomination / volunteer received)
- BVA Treasurer – James Murphy
- BVA Competitions Secretary – Dave Fox
- BVA Referee & Coach Coordinator - **Vacant**
- BVA Safeguarding Officer - **Vacant**
- BVA Youth Secretary – Sue Sayers
- BVA Webmaster – Piers Lawson
- BVA Social Secretary – **Vacant**



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Competitions & Tournaments

- SEVA 14th & 15th of May (Ashcome School) plus Referees Clinic
- Ashcombe Tournament 25th & 26th June
- Whitefield Tournament 23rd & 24th July (Bristol)
- Salisbury Tournament 6th & 7th of July
- Farnborough Tournament 27th & 28th August



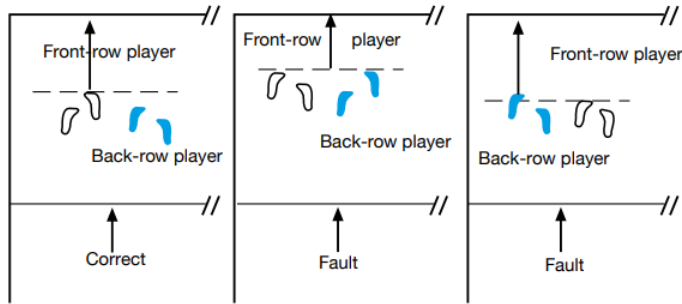
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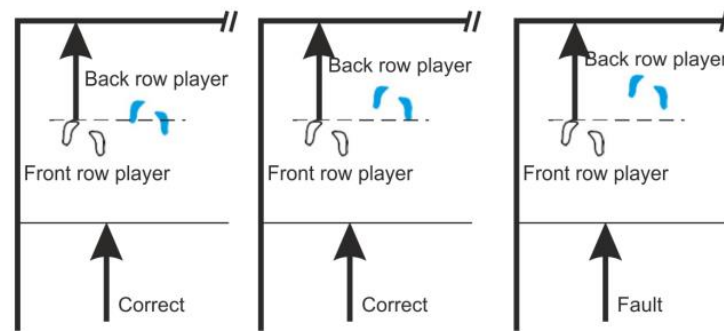
- Next BVA Committee Meeting Wednesday 25th May at 6pm via Teams (invites already sent)
- Future BVA Committee Meetings to be Rotated (M, T, W, T & F) to continue via teams to avoid travel costs, unless there is a joint desire to meet in person.

- FIVB Rule changes (summary)
 - Rule 5 was revised to allow the libero to be either the team or game captain
 - Rule 15.8 was also approved to prevent a team which has already exhausted its six substitutions from being left incomplete by the expulsion or disqualification of a player. As such, teams will now be able to play a substitute in the event of a player on court being expelled or disqualified regardless of the number of substitutes already used.
 - each **back-row** player must **be level with or** have at least a part of **one** foot **further from** the centre line than the **front foot** of the corresponding **front-row** player
 - each right (left) side player **must be level with or** have at least a part of **one** foot closer to the right (left) side line than the feet **further from the right (left) side line** of the **other** players in that row

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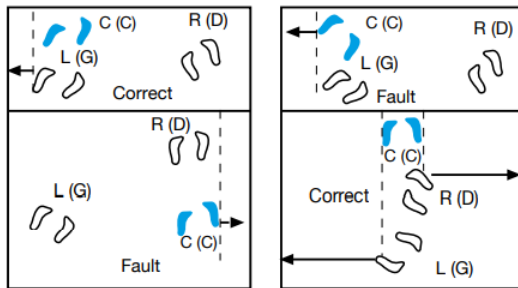


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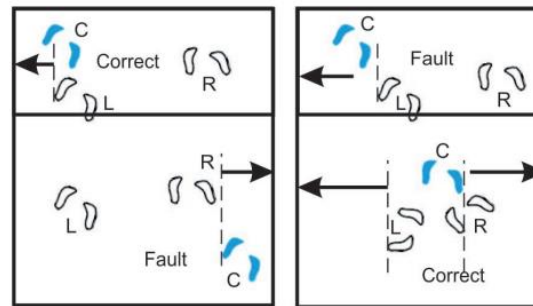
Determination of the positions between players of the same row



C (C) = Centre player
R (D) = Right player
L (G) = Left player

Example B:

Determination of the positions between players of the same row



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- FIVB rules (summary cont)
 - to touch the opponent's court with a foot (feet) is permitted, provided that some part of the penetrating foot (feet) remains either in contact with or directly above the centre line **and this action does not interfere with the opponent's play**
 - The players of the serving team must not prevent their opponent, through individual or collective screening, from seeing the **service hit** and the flight path of the ball.
 - A player or a group of players of the serving team make(s) a screen by waving arms, jumping or moving sideways during the execution of the service, or by standing grouped, **in order that both the service hit** and the flight path of the ball are hidden until the ball reaches the vertical plane of the net. **Should either be visible to the receiving team this is not a screen**

- FIVB rules (summary cont)
 - Technical Timeouts have been removed
 - A player (except the Libero) who cannot continue playing due to injury/illness, **or expulsion/disqualification** should be substituted legally. If this is not possible, the team is entitled to make an EXCEPTIONAL substitution, beyond the limits of Rule 15.6.
 - An exceptional substitution means that any player who is not on the court at the time of the injury/illness **/expulsion/disqualification**, except the Libero, second Libero or their regular replacement player, may be substituted into the game for the injured/ill **/expelled/disqualified** player. The substituted injured/ill/**expelled** player is not allowed to re-enter the match

- FIVB rules (summary cont)
 - Both Liberos can be in uniforms different from each other and from the rest of the team.
 - A team member who is sanctioned by expulsion shall not participate for the rest of the set, **must go to the team's dressing room** until the completion of the ongoing set with no other consequences.