





Meeting minutes		Wed 07-Dec-22					
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1	Present at meeting	Apologies Spikeopaths, Alasdair McLeod; Annika Voss; Andrew Bickle; Andrew Tatarek; James Murphy; James Murphy RA; Mateusz Rogosz; Pablo Alvarez ; Piers Lawson; Sue Sayers; Nobody from Oxford Uni or South Bucks.					
2	Missing at last meeting						
3	Issues so far with league	<p>Issues Andy Bickle reported so far:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Scoresheet submission - a little attention to detail please and make sure that you include match no. Additional remarks are for playing up or down, not for rants!</li> <li>2. Juniors - if players were over 16 on 31st August 2022, they are classed as helpers, not juniors and different rules apply. Aim is to maximise the number of Juniors.</li> <li>3. Junior on VE talent pathway can still play as juniors, unless they are names as part of any national squad.</li> <li>4. BVA website / league tables - these are manual, so please have a little patience.</li> <li>5. Players who play up or down are considered to have transferred to the team once 10 games completed.</li> <li>6. Treat referees with respect - they are volunteers and make the matches possible. Only captains may talk to referees. Things like accusations of bias are not welcome. One issue to be sorted by AB.</li> </ol>				All clubs	
4	BVA coaching/ref courses	Look on VE website.				All clubs	
5	BVA playoffs	When will BVA playoffs be?				Dave Fox	
6	Finances - have all teams paid?	All fines to be put towards a pot that will be used to subsidise referee and coaching courses for the member clubs.	All team entries paid. Still awaiting £57.34 each from Bullocks and Spikopaths Mens playoffs.			James Murphy	
7	BVA Website	Needs to be done seperately.	Set up a meeting for those who need to be on it. There are some problems with changing the website. Unsure if it is the way it is hosted or what. The reasons are not clear and we need Piers to report.			Piers Lawson	
8	Do all clubs have a Safeguarding / Welfare officer for u18s?	<p>VE policy recommends as best practice to have one, not a requirement, although there are vulnerable adults and bullying/taking advantage is not unknown. Almost mandatory if dealing with U18s to avoid being like swimming.</p> <p>VE site club welfare officer lists training.</p> <p>Lisa is checking if each club has a welfare officer.</p>				Lisa Mitchell	

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9	Junior development path.	Ongoing conversation. Piers Lawson has created and circulated a discussion document, with existing rules summarised and possibilities, including additional leagues. We will have a discussion so this is thought through before the next AGM, and possible action for coming season.	Discussion needed about integration of the growing number of junior players – new (good) problem, needs creative thought, to make sure we do them justice and retain them.		Thu 06-Oct-22	Piers Lawson	
10	Junior boys in ladies leagues	Playing U16 boys in ladies teams when insufficient ladies are available will continue as agreed at the AGM. The issue raised of some strong U16 boys to be covered at the next AGM. It is possible that there are sufficient junior activities now that this is not necessary.	Part of junior development pathway discussion.			Next meeting	
11	Referee course	Sue Sayers wants to run a referee course, for 14-18 people. VE charge £70/person. Pay hall hire or 2 free places. Possibly Sun 13th Nov. BVA willing to subsidise 50% with an initial limit of 2 per club. 11am to 7pm, 4 hours at a net, 4 hours in a classroom. Dependent on help available.	Money is available from Birmingham 2022 legacy fund - how to access? Suggest start with Jake Sheaf <a href="mailto:j.sheaf@volleyballengland.org">j.sheaf@volleyballengland.org</a> he was announced as the legacy lead.			Sue Sayers	
12	Referee course		<a href="https://www.volleyballengland.org/article/468/jake-sheaf-to-drive-forward-ambitious-commonwealth-games-legacy-plans#">https://www.volleyballengland.org/article/468/jake-sheaf-to-drive-forward-ambitious-commonwealth-games-legacy-plans#</a>				
13	Missed from AGM changes item 1	Andrew T to make a survey in Google Sheets - initially sort out the information format wanted. Qualified, wants to join a team. How many refs are there and level, + people who would want to do it.	Discussion on referees and need to train and nurture them, need to arrange training courses for refs, but Covid is no excuse. To be discussed with Andrew Tatarek - club ref and coach survey. If somebody does not register 2 years in a row, qualification lapses, so need to retake course (as far as VE is concerned - different views exist within BVA!).		end-Oct-22	Next meeting	
14	Scheduling of fixtures in future on Sat & Sun	We are happy for fixtures to be on a Saturday according to the home team's venue availability. Implementation will be interesting for Dave.				Dave Fox	
15	BVA Plate 2023.	Braywick have now emailed a quote for £63.50 per court per hour, 9 hours per day for 2 days = £1143 after the £8k quote. Book it now! (Since then, silly numbers again, so back to the drawing board for venue!)				Andrew Bickle	
18	Date of next meeting, and items to discuss below:	Wednesday in December, Andy to set a date.				Andrew Bickle	
<b>PAST ITEMS BELOW FOR REFERENCE</b>							

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20	BVA Plate 2023.	<p>Andrew Bickle to talk with Braywick to see if a booking is possible for next year at a reasonable price - <b>result was £8,000, which is about 4x what might be reasonable.</b></p> <p>Andrew Tatarek to call Bracknell to see if it could be a potential venue. <b>Result - no nets for the second court, so only one court for volleyball.</b></p>	<p>The BVA uses the team entries (£60/team x 34 teams = £2040) to hire a hall, double court for 2 days. This year the venue cost for Braywick was £2000 (£62.5/court/hour assuming 9-5pm), negotiated down from £4000.</p> <p>Other halls considered:            Bradfield College: Nightmare to book            Reading Uni: difficult to book and uni activities take priority            Arborfield:            Loddon Valley: No            Bracknell - has 2 courts - would they do it?            Aldershot Garrison - Army priorities can cancel booking.</p>		Thu 30-Jun-22	Andrew Bickle	OK
21	Dates ahead	SIVA tourn is Men Sat 13th May 13, Ladies Sun 14 May 23.					OK
22	VE Transgender policy	BVA will adopt the VE transgender policy under the default approach - adopt VE policies unless agreed otherwise by the BVA.	Andy B will write a response to Pablo at Basingstoke.			Andrew Bickle	OK
23	Rule change AGM item 1.	Send new fines details to Piers for adding to website for 2022-23.			Thu 01-Sep-22	Andrew Bickle	OK
24	Rule change AGM item 2.	Dave Fox is going to edit the team entry form to incorporate signing up to the player code of conduct as part of entering a team. Dave is looking to use Google Forms for entries.			As soon as draft entries are wanted.	Dave Fox	OK
25	Rule change AGM item 4.	Update the BVA rules to reflect the change that if a match can't be completed, the side with most points at the time wins.			Thu 01-Sep-22	Andrew Bickle	OK
26	Rule change AGM item 6.	Update the BVA rules to reflect handing in team sheets to the scoring desk immediately at the start of the triangular. They must be clearly written or printed with the names of those not present for the match crossed out.	<p>Tat: Do we have a convention of name and surname, Initial and surname, Name and initial? Worth having that specified on the team sheet template?            Noting the requirement for MVP to be the name, not number, would it pay to have that on the score-sheet template and specify that we use BVA template score-sheets?            Or a reminder on the team sheet, as this is a hardy perennial.</p>		Thu 01-Sep-22	Andrew Bickle	OK
27	Rule change AGM item 9.	Change the number of people in rule 1.6 to allow max 2 instead of max 3 NVL players in a team. This does not affect NVL division 3 players.			Thu 01-Sep-22	Andrew Bickle	OK

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28	Rule change AGM AOB.	James Murphy to send details of FIVB rule changes to Andy Bickle for incorporation into BVA rules. Rule change regarding Libero being team captain adopted, checking with James for any other changes that may affect us. Rules are now on the website.			Thu 06-Oct-22	Andrew Bickle	OK
29	Arising from AGM	Nobody present from Oxford Uni, James to send them a fine. Corrected - they were not missing. No fine.			Wed 15-Jun-22	James Murphy	OK
30	BVA Plate feedback.	This year's tournament was good, with more entries, and a good tournament all round.					OK
31	Season start timing	Dave Fox is away in early September so cannot schedule then. Matches to start 2nd weekend of October. Therefore Deadline for league entries is Friday 19th August. Next committee meeting Monday 5th September 6pm.	Dave Fox commented that the ladies teams numbered 11 last season, which was the nightmare number for scheduling. If it happens consider drafting another team.		As soon as draft entries are wanted.	Dave Fox	OK
32	Ladies league numbers	League entry form to be available early to allow Dave Fox to get an indication of entries, as early as June or July.					OK
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