

**SCBA**  
**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Held online on Friday 11th July 2025**

**PRESENT:**

Richard Banbury (Chair); Gail Norman; Shirley Pritchard; Jackie Hawkins; William Clennell;  
Tony Cherrett.

**APOLOGIES:** Derek Thrumble

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| <b>1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</b><br>These were agreed.   |         |
| <b>2. MATTERS ARISING</b><br>Shirley said that choosing participants for the 9 High Corwen had proved impossible as the EBU had supplied us with individual names and the invitation is for Pairs.<br>Richard asked if there had been any interest from county members for 9 High events. No one thought there had been.<br>William said the Lady Rose qualifier for lower ranked teams had only had 5 applicants so far compared with 9 last year, and no new teams had been attracted.  |         |
| <b>3. AGM</b><br>At the AGM there was a question about ensuring teams played their League matches by the cut off date. It was agreed that the instructions would be clarified.<br>Will said he would pass this on to David Burch.   | Will    |
| <b>4. COMPETITIONS REPORT</b><br>Shirley had written an article for the newsletter asking for clubs' opinions on the future of the 2 County Champions events – the Mary Edwards and the Wanborough. Attendance at both these events has dropped markedly since the pandemic.<br>It was agreed that the Wanborough Cup will be cancelled, and the Mary Edwards will be moved to 15 <sup>th</sup> March, and be given greater publicity next season.<br>This event will be reviewed when the comments from the article have been received.<br>Richard noted that Swiss Pairs events at Camberley, Farnham and Oxshott had all been cancelled in the past year, and Richmond were also struggling to attract more than 12 tables.<br>He would contact Victor Lesk to see if it might be possible to run shorter Café Bridge style events with only 12 boards and 3 venues. | Richard |
| <b>5. TREASURERS REPORT</b><br>Jackie reported that the bank balance at 1 <sup>st</sup> July was £25,380.<br>She would initiate the removal of Tim's signature from the bank accounts.  | Jackie  |
| <b>6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b><br>Derek had asked the committee to note the 2 School's events he had arranged for next year:<br>Friday January 31 <sup>st</sup> – Mini bridge event at Tormead prep.<br>Friday February 6 <sup>th</sup> – Surrey schools cup at Epsom College.<br>NEXT MEETING – Fri 26th September 4.45 p.m.   |         |