

SHROPSHIRE CHESS ASSOCIATION

2000 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

To all members of the Shropshire Chess Association :

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting will be held at
Coddon Chess Club, Coddon Pavilion, Wellington Road, Donnington, Telford
on Wednesday, 28th June 2000 at 7.45 pm.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence.
2. Minutes of the 1999 A.G.M. (Matters arising).
3. Officer's Reports.

	Officer	Incumbent	To include:
a.	General Secretary	Phil Cameron	
b.	League Controller	Colin Roberts	League Tables, Trophies Presentation
c.	Treasurer	Richard Thompson	Accounts
d.	Auditor	Glyn Pugh	
e.	Grading Officer	Nick Rutter	
f.	County Individual	Nick Rutter	Trophies Presentation
g.	Oswestry Quickplay	Ron Thomson	
h.	Correspondence Chess	Jim Wilkinson	
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m.	County 1st Team Captain	Iain Wilson	
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o.	County U125 Team Captain	Roger Brown	
p.	County U100 Team Captains	Bryan-Brown, Ian Davies	
q.	MCCU Delegates	Richard Thompson, Iain Wilson	
r.	BCF Delegate	Richard Thompson	

4. Election of Officers.
5. Proposals for Revised League Rules. **(Must be sent to General Secretary by 21st June)**
6. Proposed amendments to Constitution. **(Must be sent to General Secretary by 21st June)**
7. Any Other Business.

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MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING : WEDNESDAY 28/6/2000

Venue **Coddon Chess Club**

Start of Meeting **20.00**

<i>Attendees</i>	Iain Wilson	Phil Cameron	Richard Thompson	Colin Roberts
	Glyn Pugh	Windsor Peck	Roger Brown	Bryan Brown
	Jiri Wilkinson	Toby Neal	Alan Silver	John Westhead
	Fred Harris	Keith Grice	Trevor Brotherton	Graham Shepherd
	Nick Graham	Steve Jones	John Bashall	John Casewell

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| 1. | <i>Apologies</i> | David Everington, Dave Gostelow, Derrick Powell, Nick Rutter, Alan Shaw, David Foster, Sellick Davies, Richard Bryant, Bob Simpson | |
| 2. | <i>Minutes of the 1999 AGM</i> | | <i>Action</i> |
| 2.1 | The minutes were adopted as a true record of the previous meeting, but with the addition that the meeting was a combined AGM and Council meeting for the year and that the Secretary had subsequently withdrawn his resignation in the absence of any replacement being forthcoming. | | |
| 3. | <i>Officer's Reports</i> | | |
| 3.1 | <i>General Secretary (Phil Cameron)</i>
No formal report was presented; instead Phil said he would provide information at relevant items in the agenda. | | |
| 3.2 | <i>League Controller (Colin Roberts)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Division 1 Champions : Telepost A, ahead of Shrewsbury A.• Relegated from Division 1 : Oswestry and Telford• Division 2 Champions : Church Stretton, also promoted Shifnal• Relegated from Division 2 : Coddon C and Wellington C• Division 3 Champions : Shrewsbury B, also promoted Newport B <p>Colin reported that the Division 1 title race had been very close until the end of the season when Telepost forged ahead to win the championship for the first time.</p> | | |

There were however problems with postponed matches still being unplayed at the end of the season, which could have had a major impact on the relegation issues. Clubs were advised that there are very few good reasons for postponing a match and that the League Controller should be consulted in advance of any request for postponement.

The result of a disputed game in the match between Wellington and Coddon was eventually resolved by the players themselves, without recall to a special meeting of the rules and disputes committee. The meeting was reminded that the captains are to act as arbiters in any disputes in the course of a match.

3.3 *Treasurer (Richard Thompson)*

A statement of accounts was distributed to the meeting. This showed a deficit for the year of £58.45 and the Congress Account showed a deficit of £14.00 in spite no congress being held this year. Richard explained that the demonstration board had incurred it's final year of depreciation.

He confirmed that last year's accounts had been audited and that this year's would be made available to the Auditor after the meeting.

3.4 *Auditor (Glyn Pugh)*

Glyn confirmed that he would be auditing this year's accounts in the near future.

3.5 *Grading Officer (Nick Rutter).*

Nick's written report to the meeting stated that he had submitted the county results and the next grading list is scheduled for August. He was optimistic that the grades would not be late this year and that he would post the grades on his website.

The meeting requested that grades be issued direct to club secretaries as not everybody is online.

3.6 *County Individual (Nick Rutter)*

Again Nick submitted a written report and this showed that he had won the County Championship with a score of 6 out of 7. In second place was Richard Bryant with 5½ and third Dave Gostelow also with 5½.

The grading prizes were won as follows

- Under 140 – John Jeggo with a score of 5.
- Under 120 – Ashley Ferguson with a score of 4½.
- Under 100 – Simon Fowler with a score of 4½.

The championship trophy will be presented to Nick by Iain Wilson.

3.7 *Oswestry Quickplay (Ron Thomson)*

In Ron's absence the report was given by Keith Grice. The tournament was held at Oswestry's club and was a success in spite of a low turnout due to a clash with a re-arranged county match.

The winner was Richard Bryant and second place was a tie between David Everington and Iain Wilson.

He thanked Toby Neal for publicising the event and said that the provisional date for this year's event would be 29th October 2000.

The finances of the event were discussed and it was confirmed that the County would meet any losses made by the tournament.

Accounts to
be audited -
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Trophy
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3.8	<p><i>Correspondence Chess (Jim Wilkinson)</i> Jim informed the meeting that Shropshire finished fifth of nine with 16½ points and that the winners were Greater Manchester with 23½ points. He said that a bulletin of the games would be issued in due course. This year's games have just started and he hopes they will be as free of disputes as last year.</p>	
3.9	<p><i>Cox & Minor Trophies (Derrick Powell)</i> Derrick submitted a written report in which he stated that neither competition was finished as yet, but both are on schedule. The Cox Trophy was entered by 19 of the 22 league teams and the Minor Knockout by 12 of the 14 eligible teams. There have been no disputes and the matches played on time. Derrick had asked for comments on the pairing rules he applied to the competitions. The discussion that followed brought several points to the fore and the meeting agreed that certain changes were required. The pairings for the two competitions should be random in the first round, this will prevent the strongest teams from playing each other early in the tournament and ensure that the division 2 & 3 teams are not paired against the same opponents in round 1 of both competitions. The other matters that were a concern to the meeting were that byes should be allocated on a more random basis and that results should be made available to the publicity officer as soon as they are received to give the surviving teams more information on the teams left in the tournaments. The meeting gave it's thanks to Derrick for running the Cox and Minor Knockout competitions and trusted that he would be able to incorporate these changes into next year's tournament.</p>	
3.10	<p><i>Publicity Officer (Toby Neal)</i> Toby said that he tried to have a regular column in the Shropshire Star, especially through the league season. He was now on E-mail so available for reports and snippets of information that way as well as the more usual channels.</p>	
3.11	<p><i>Congress Organiser (Iain Wilson)</i> Iain explained that although various options were explored it proved impossible to find a suitable date and venue this year to hold the Shropshire congress. The plan for next year is to move from Spring to Autumn and hopefully hold it at Lilleshall. Richard Thompson was asked to check available dates for next year.</p>	Congress dates - RT
3.12	<p><i>County Junior Organiser (Alan Shaw)</i> Alan's written report informed the meeting that the county had fielded teams at Under 9, 11 and 18 level, without any great success. On an individual basis the results were much better, with 17 of the 52 youngsters who played in the UK Chess Challenge qualifying for the Gigafinal in London. They included 6 players who won their sections and 3 more who came second. The Coddon junior team had a satisfactory season with Simon Fowler as the outstanding player. Nick Graham gave additional information and was proud to say that Shropshire juniors are really on the map now.</p>	

Derrick Powell had requested that the County give more support to Alan when running the junior competitions. This was agreed but it appears that Alan normally has support from the parents and other children.

Matthew Clark had submitted a report showing the winners of the various secondary schools tournaments.

- 3.13 *County 1st Team Captain (Iain Wilson)*
Iain reported that Shropshire had won both their home matches, against Worcestershire and Staffordshire, the latter possibly being an historic first. The away matches were not so good with two defaults against Greater Manchester and Lincolnshire and a less than full team against Warwickshire.
The best results were obtained by Toby Neal and Richard Bryant with 2/2 and in fact the top eight players scored an impressive 10½/17
- 3.14 *County U150 Team Captain (Windsor Peck)*
The Under 150 team had similar results to the 1st team, beating Worcestershire and Staffordshire while losing to Greater Manchester and Warwickshire.
The best performance was by John Westhead, unbeaten with 3 points from the 4 four matches.
- 3.15 *County U125 Team Captain (Roger Brown)*
Roger informed the meeting that this had been another good year for his team, winning 2 of the 3 matches in the initial stages of the Midlands zone, before beating Nottinghamshire North in the semi final and Warwickshire in the final. The team then beat Cheshire & North Wales in the National qualifier before eventually losing to Cambridgeshire at the quarter final stage.
He thanked Bill Jenrick for helping with the running of the team and said that there were many good individual performances, the best being John Westhead (again) who was unbeaten with 6 points from the 7 matches.
- 3.16 *County U100 Team Captains (Bryan Brown / Ian Davies)*
Bryan was pleased to announce that Ian Davies had proved an able successor to Sellick Davies and that they had combined very well. The team beat North Staffordshire, drew with Warwickshire and narrowly lost the other two matches in their zone.
Of those players who played more than once, 4 achieved more than 50%. They were Phil Barrett, Ian Davies, Andrew Lewis and John Westhead (yet again).
- 3.17 *MCCU Delegates (Iain Wilson / Richard Thompson)*
The delegates had nothing to report to the meeting.
- 3.18 *BCF Delegate (Richard Thompson)*
Again nothing to report.

4. ***Presentation of Trophies***

4.1 At this time the President, Ian Wilson, presented the trophies to the victorious teams in the Shropshire league.

5. ***Election of Officers.***

5.1 All officers were re-elected without opposition.

6. ***Proposals for League Rule Amendments.***

6.1 None

7. ***Proposals for Constitution Amendments.***

7.1 None

8. ***Any Other Business.***

8.1 None.

The meeting closed at 21.45

Philip Cameron
General Secretary

12/09/2000

SHROPSHIRE CHESS ASSOCIATION

2000 COUNCIL MEETING

To all Officers and Club Secretaries :

Notice is hereby given that the Council Meeting will be held at
Perkins Chess Club, Perkins Social Club, Albert Road, Harlescott, Shrewsbury
on Tuesday, 26th September 2000 at 7.45 pm.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence.
2. Officer's Reports (if anything to be reported)

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a.	General Secretary	Phil Cameron	
b.	League Controller	Colin Roberts	Fixtures, Nominations sheets, Match cards supply.
c.	Treasurer	Richard Thompson	
d.	Auditor	Glyn Pugh	
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