

**Minutes of UCTBA Meeting held on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2003 at  
AMF Forum, Coventry, 12:00pm**

**1. Roll Call**

Paul Williams (President), Rob Pullinger (Secretary) , Chris Houldgreaves (Treasurer) and representatives from Brunel, Essex, Hull, Imperial, Kent, Liverpool, Loughborough, Manchester, Nottingham, Nottingham Trent, Sheffield, Southampton, Surrey, Warwick, UEA

**2. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Aston, Portsmouth, and Newcastle. Fines were allocated as follows:

Aston, Leeds and Teeside - £25 each  
Portsmouth - £50  
Newcastle – Nil (see below)

Apologies were also received from Tony Quinn (Tournament Collator)

**3. Approval of End of Season Meeting**

The end of season meeting minutes were deemed to be accurate.

**4. Changes to Membership Status**

There were 3 changes made to membership status of Member Clubs:

Nottingham Trent – Become full members

Newcastle – Due to insufficient numbers of freshers, little prospect of entering any tournaments so not affiliating at this time. However contact will be maintained in order that if fortunes change, they will reaffiliate.

Leeds - Due to lack of contact and non attendance at the meeting, it was decided not to enter them into the draw for the championship. For this reason, their membership status was changed from Full Member to Associate Member.

**5. Setting of Affiliation Fees**

Affiliation fees for the 2003/2004 season will remain at £120 for full members and £60 for Associate Members.

## 6. Resolutions

### a) Modification of Championship Format

With a little discussion, the voting went as follows:

Group Stage:		
	<i>Seed semi-finalists from previous season -</i>	<b>20</b>
	Don't Seed -	10
¼ Final Qualifiers:		
	<i>Group Winners and Runners Up -</i>	<b>22</b>
	Group Winners and 4 highest pinfall -	8
¼ Final Draw:		
	<i>Random Draw (Winners Vs. Runners Up) -</i>	<b>23</b>
	World Cup Style -	2
	Seeded -	2
	Abstentions -	3
Semi Final Draw:		
	<i>Random Draw -</i>	<b>30</b>
	Seeded -	0

All options in ***bold italic*** were passed by the requisite 2/3 majority.

### b) Encouragement to attend meetings

Options were discussed such as increasing fines, docking points, banning from next tournaments, etc. Will be discussed further and voted on at next meeting.

### c) Use of Financial Surplus

Three ideas were put forward by the executive to use some of the c. £500 pa surplus:

- i) A Most Improved Club Trophy, awarded each year to the Club which has shown most improvement over the last year, not necessarily in quality of bowling, but attendance at tournaments, meetings, etc.
- ii) A Bowler of the Year (M/F) Award.
- iii) From next season, to pay BTBA membership for the incoming executive and to award their club £100 as an incentive for people to volunteer to run the association for a year.

Decisions on ideas i) and ii) were postponed. Idea iii) was passed unanimously. Further ideas were requested from Member Clubs.

## 7. Confirmation of 2003/2004 Tournament / Championship Calendar

22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Nottingham Doubles ‡
29 <sup>th</sup> November	London Trios ‡
1 <sup>st</sup> February	Surrey Singles ‡
7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> February	Sheffield Quads ‡
21 <sup>st</sup> /22 <sup>nd</sup> February	UCTBA Championship Quarter Finals
29 <sup>th</sup> February	Warwick Fives ‡
13 <sup>th</sup> /14 <sup>th</sup> March	Liverpool Trios ‡
20 <sup>th</sup> March	UEA Doubles ‡
27 <sup>th</sup> /28 <sup>th</sup> March	UCTBA Championship Finals
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Hull Fancy Dress Trios
Sun 2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Hull Quads ‡
TBA	Leeds Marathon

‡ - Denotes Bullseye Order of Merit Ranking Event

Sheffield Quads may be played as a 2 day tournament with students on one day and ex - students on the other.

Championship Group Matches are to be played before Christmas over 2 weekends for each group – See Below.

## 8. Any Other Business

The Secretary reported that Bullseye Trophies had been in touch offering 20% discount on trophies as sponsorship of the Tournaments. Recommended that we do not accept it as larger discounts are commonly available from most trophy shops.

## 9. Championship Draw

	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
Team 1	Sheffield	UEA	Liverpool	Portsmouth
Team 2	Aston	Surrey	Brunel	Loughborough
Team 3	Warwick	Essex	Imperial	Kent

