SCCA 33rd AGM Minutes Sunday 20th June 2010, 4pm at Tullylumb Terrace, Perth

Present

Iain Mackintosh (Chair), Gordon Anderson, Jim Anderson, Alan Borwell, Kevin Paine, George Pyrich.

Apologies

George Livie, Colin Macgregor.

Minutes of the 32nd AGM

On the proposal of Alan Borwell seconded by George Pyrich the minute of the meeting held on 7th June 2009 was accepted as an accurate record and approved. There were no matters arising.

President's Remarks

lain Mackintosh summarised another active and productive year for the SCCA.

On the domestic front, we introduced new membership and event fees for the first time in many years with renewals and event entries holding steady. Alan Bell won our 1st Webserver Open, and Professor Alastair Dawson won the Scottish Championship 08-09 outright. Alastair Dawson (1) and Gordon Anderson (2) picked up SM norms during the year.

Internationally, we are active in NATT VI, the 8th European Team Championships and the 18th Olympiad, plus numerous friendly matches. Through Alan Borwell, we are organising and sponsoring the ICCF Veterans' World Cup, with cycle 2 in play and cycle 3 accepting entrants. Richard Beecham was awarded the SIM title, George Pyrich received the IA title and was appointed ICCF's FD, while Tom Matheis picked up his 2nd IM norm.

We received sponsorship from Opening Master, with 20+ of our members receiving free copies of their opening database for a year.

Yet again the SCCA has been indebted to its hard-working committee members and event controllers, all of whom deserve thanks for their efforts and enthusiasm.

Secretary's Report

Jim Anderson reported another good year and paid thanks to Kevin Paine and Colin Macgregor for their considerable assistance. Entries to domestic tournaments remained healthy, with a definite trend from postal to webserver play, and events are running trouble-free. Webserver administration of events is making tournament set-up in January a lot easier.

Alan Borwell requested more regular coverage of domestic events in the magazine during the year and this was agreed. (Action: lain Mackintosh)

Jim Anderson proposed that the following time controls would apply for 2011 events:

- Leagues, Premier, Open 10/20 postal; 10/30 web/email.
- Championship 10/30 postal; 10/40 web/email.
- Challengers 10/30 postal/web/email.

These were seconded by Alan Borwell and agreed unanimously.

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Treasurer's Report

Gordon Anderson presented a full set of accounts and expressed his thanks to Alan Hind for an efficient audit. We ended the year to 31st March 2010 showing a deficit of £169.06.

Income was down by around £300 from 08-09 due to no new life members, lower donations and reduced bank interest.

Expenditure was up by around £825, mainly due to increases in prizes and trophies (including the reserving of sponsored prizes for the ICCF Veterans' World Cup), ICCF event entry fees and ICCF Congress attendance.

While the deficit is a little disappointing, our overall financial position remains very satisfactory. Iain Mackintosh proposed a vote of thanks to Gordon which was unanimously agreed.

International Secretary's Report

George Pyrich reported that the Association continues to be very active in team and individual events. Friendly matches, NATT, European Team Championships, the Olympiad and Champions League all had Scottish teams participating, and last year's upsurge in individual entries to ICCF events has continued into 2010.

Alan Borwell proposed a vote of thanks to George for his work as ICCF Financial Director which was unanimously agreed.

Grader's Report

George Pyrich proposed the following changes to SM qualification rules:

- Rule 2(a) a grading norm of 2300+ needs a minimum of 30 results, and any subsequent grading norm requires 20+ additional results from the preceding norm.
- Rule 2(b) this should continue as is, but the SCCA Championship should be organised such that players play a minimum of 8 games, and the event is held over in years where this is not possible.
- Rule 2(c) 'half IM norm' should be replaced by 'IM norm'.
- Rules 2(e) and 2(f) –'15-player' and '7-player' constraints should be removed.

These were seconded by Gordon Anderson and agreed unanimously.

Election of Office Bearers

The following were elected to office for 2010-11:

Office	Name	Proposer	Seconder
President	lain Mackintosh	George Pyrich	Alan Borwell
Vice President	George Pyrich	lain Mackintosh	Jim Anderson
International Secretary	George Pyrich	Kevin Paine	Alan Borwell
Secretary	Colin Macgregor /	lain Mackintosh	Kevin Paine
	Jim Anderson *		
Membership Officer	Kevin Paine	Jim Anderson	Alan Borwell
Treasurer	Gordon Anderson	Kevin Paine	George Pyrich
Committee Members	Alan Borwell	George Pyrich	Jim Anderson
	George Livie	Alan Borwell	George Pyrich
	Jim Anderson	Gordon Anderson	Kevin Paine

* Colin to act as lead, but subject to division of duties and timings being agreed.

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Appointment of Auditor

Alan Hind was proposed by Gordon Anderson, seconded by Iain Mackintosh, and duly reappointed.

Subscriptions

Gordon Anderson proposed no change to domestic membership and entry fees for 2011. This was seconded by lain Mackintosh and unanimously agreed.

George Pyrich advised that ICCF entry fees are likely to be revised at the October Congress. Any changes will be assessed by the SCCA Executive Committee and a revised tariff implemented to meet with ICCF's effective date. (Action: George Pyrich, Gordon Anderson)

AOB

Alan Borwell proposed a vote of thanks to lain Mackintosh for his work as president, webmaster and magazine editor, which was unanimously agreed.