

## SCCA Executive Committee Minutes

Sunday, 3 February 2002, 2pm at 63, Orchard Brae Avenue, Edinburgh.

### Present

Iain Mackintosh (chair), George Pyrich, Raymond Baxter, Alan Borwell, Stuart Mackenzie. Jim Anderson

### Apologies

None.

### Minutes of Last Meeting

Accepted.

### Matters Arising

We still need to contact a few people to see if they can help on committee [Post-meeting, George Livie has offered assistance after summer 2002] (**action Iain**).

A copy of the membership database will be forwarded to committee members soon (**action Jim**).

### Controller

We still need 3 more controllers to help. Most important is a controller for the E-mail tournaments (**action Jim**).

### Internet

There are some updates of the web site to finish. These include events tables for this year, material from recent magazines, promotion of the ICCF Champions League, and a possible change to the members' page password for 2002 (**action Iain**). The website focus would be reviewed in order to fit the ICCF award parameters (**action Iain**).

### Magazine

Current practice is to put the tables for the domestic competitions in the first and last magazine of the year. We will try to include any results received during the season in the other two magazines.

Annotated games from the Bulletin 21st would be welcome for future issues. (**action Alan**).

We need to write to advertisers during 2001, and potentially for 2002, regarding fees (**action Iain**).

E-mags need not be distributed directly - we could advise subscribers to download from the website at their own convenience (**action Iain**).

### International

Team events - 12<sup>th</sup> Olympiad Final nearing completion, 113<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Olympiad Preliminaries, 6<sup>th</sup> European Teams and Natt 5. New email Olympiad due around August 2002.

Individual Events – Very few entries for the ICCF Individual events but fairly good take-up for the free ICC Jubilee events (around 12 for the e-mail and 4 for postal). Philip Giulian entered in the new WC ¾ final event. Colin McNab entered to the Koshnitsky Memorial (AUS) "A" group and Alan Borwell agreed to play in the "B" Group.

Friendly internationals – New matches due to start soon against Norway and Canada (both over 20 boards). Offer from Finland for another, starting perhaps in a few months if we have enough players (**action George**).

Bernard Partridge Final – nearing completion with 13 games outstanding. Details of prize fund breakdown by place are required. (**action George, Jim**).

Forthcoming Events – ICCF Champions League presently invites entries. World Ch. 26 Semifinals scheduled to start 01/09/2002 (postal and email sections).

ICCF Jubilee Book – now due around May 2002. Copies expected to retail at £12.75 The SCCA are to preorder 10 (**action George**), and a web article will be posted (**action Iain**).

### Financial

Not much to report. There was a balance of £3,924.83 but entry fees for this year had still to be banked. Bernard Partridge prize money would be paid when we had a confirmed winner (expected soon). The bank account structure will be reviewed to see if the money could be invested better (**action Stuart**). The expected results for 2001 and budget forecast for 2002 will be produced by end-February (**action Stuart**). International travel allowances will be decided after these figures are available.

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### **Grading**

Little to report. SCCA grades for this year are just about finalized (**action Raymond**). He is waiting on 1 result [Cumming versus Campbell] in the Quartets, where there may have been an error (**action Jim**).

### **Membership**

Annual membership renewals were down so far by about 20. Non-renewing members will be contacted gain in case they have lost the entry form or forgotten to fill it (**action Jim**).

Promotion leaflets and posters will be reviewed, and this year's promotion drives documented - who will receive what and when (**action Iain and Jim**).

Life members are to be written to with regard to possible patron membership (**action Iain**).

A further committee member would be useful to contact potential sponsors, particularly of SCCA-run international tournaments (**action Iain**).

### **Next Meeting**

[and AGM] Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2002. Venue to be confirmed, though Chess Suppliers is likely. Any necessary interim committee meetings would be advised by email.