SCCA 35th AGM Minutes
Sunday 10th June 2012, 4pm at Tullylumb Terrace, Perth

Present

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

Apologies

None.

Minutes of the 34th AGM

On the proposal of Jim Anderson seconded by Alan Borwell the minute of the meeting held on 5th June 2011 was accepted as an accurate record and approved.

Matters arising from the 34th AGM

None.

President's Remarks

Iain Mackintosh summarised another active and eventful year for the SCCA.

On the domestic front, membership renewals were slightly down. The 2011-12 Scottish Championship is still undecided, with David Cumming, Robert Montgomery and Iain Mackintosh all in contention. David Cumming won both Premier sections, and newcomer Richard Longden prevailed in the Open. David Cumming picked up the Challengers' medal. Perth Correspondents won both the webserver and postal Leagues. The final of the 2nd Webserver Open is extremely competitive, with five players contending. Gordon Anderson and Alan Bell both received the SM title.

Internationally, we remain active in the 9th European Team Championships, the 19th Olympiad, the Europa Postal Cup, plus the Thor Løvholt and Witold Bielecki Memorials. New friendly matches were started against the Netherlands, Czech Republic and Italy, and we managed a win against Cape Verde during the year. Through Alan Borwell, we continue to organise and sponsor the ICCF Veterans' World Cup, with cycles 2-4 all active and proceeding to schedule. Individual entries into ICCF events were up, and a number of players are participating in the preliminary and semi-final stages of the World Championship.

On a sad note, we lost founder member Allan Hislop who passed away in December 2011 aged 86.   He will be much missed.

Once again the SCCA has been indebted to its hard-working committee members and event controllers, all of whom deserve thanks for their efforts and dedication. The work done by those assisting in the ICCF Veterans' World Cups should ensure several IA title awards.

Secretary's Report

No secretary's report had been received.

Annual membership renewals were down slightly, though some late renewals had been received and others are being chased up. Life and patron memberships remained steady.

Domestic events were proceeding smoothly with only two postal matches in progress – other ties are dominated by webserver play.

Treasurer's Report

Gordon Anderson presented a full set of accounts and once again expressed his thanks to Alan Hind for an efficient audit. We ended the year to 31st March 2011 showing a surplus of £1,026.

Income was fairly flat overall, with slight reductions in domestic membership and entry fees being balanced by an uplift in ICCF entry fees. Expenditure was down significantly as a result of ICCF meeting the cost of Congress attendance by our delegate who is also a member of their Executive Board. Gordon proposed to donate part of this surplus to Chess Scotland (refer below).

Our overall financial position remains very satisfactory. Iain Mackintosh proposed a vote of thanks to Gordon which was unanimously agreed. George Pyrich moved adoption of Gordon's report, seconded by Jim Anderson and unanimously agreed.

International Secretary's Report

George Pyrich reported that the Association continues to be highly active in team and individual events. Friendly matches, 9th European Team Championships, 19th Olympiad, the Europa Postal Cup plus Thor Løvholt and Witold Bielecki Memorials all had Scottish teams participating.

Individual entries to ICCF events increased during the year, including World Championship preliminary (where Stuart Graham qualified) and semi-final stages. Cycles 2 and 3 of the Veterans' World Cup had reached the semi-finals while cycle 4 was at the preliminary stage – all cycles holding to published schedules.

The 2012 ICCF Congress will be held in Rustenberg, South Africa, from 28th October to 3rd November.

Iain Mackintosh proposed a vote of thanks to George which was unanimously agreed. Alan Borwell proposed adoption of George's report, seconded by Gordon Anderson and unanimously agreed.

Election of Office Bearers

The following were elected to office for 2012-13:

Office	Name	Proposer	Seconder
President	**Iain Mackintosh**	Jim Anderson	George Pyrich
Vice President	**George Pyrich**	Iain Mackintosh	Jim Anderson
International Secretary	**George Pyrich**	Iain Mackintosh	Jim Anderson
Secretary	**See note ***		
Membership Officer	**Kevin Paine**	Alan Borwell	Jim Anderson
Treasurer	**Gordon Anderson**	Iain Mackintosh	Kevin Paine
Committee Members	**Alan Borwell**	Gordon Anderson	Kevin Paine
	Jim Anderson	Iain Mackintosh	Alan Borwell

* No nomination received. Kevin Paine (enquiries), Jim Anderson (domestic events) and Iain Mackintosh (minutes) will continue to provide interim cover.

Some members would be approached individually to fill committee vacancies during the year.

Appointment of Auditor

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

Subscriptions

Gordon Anderson proposed no change to domestic membership and entry fees for 2012-13. This was seconded by Kevin Paine and unanimously agreed. A review of comparable subscriptions would be undertaken during the year.

Funding Proposal

After discussion in the Executive Committee, Gordon Anderson proposed that part of our surplus (£500) should be offered to Chess Scotland to support the Scotland teams playing in this year's FIDE Olympiad. This was seconded by Jim Anderson and unanimously agreed.

AOB

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