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The Council

Minutes of the inaugural meeting of the year 2001 Council held on
Saturday 19 January 2002 at 1145
at the Hanover International Hotel, Hinckley, Leicestershire

Present:

Chris Allen
Paul Applegate
Kieran Brady
Barrie Buck
David Hickling
Andy Houston
Eddie Jones
Ian Marshall
Ian Midgley
Craig Poxon
John Smyth
Jim White

In attendance:

Tony Butler	-	Technical Officer
Debbie Carter		
John Hitchen	-	NCSO
Trudy Kemp		Assistant to TO/NCSO
Martin Shuttleworth	-	National Administrator
Lucie Wood		Development Officer
Sue Waterfield		Administration Secretary

Observers:

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Item Minute

01/02 Election of Officers, etc

Tony Butler took the Chair pending the election of a Chairman. Once elected, the Chairman took over for the rest of the meeting.

Elections took place as recorded in the table on page 3.

1.1 Vice Chairmanship

Two candidates, Kieran Brady and John Smyth, were nominated for the office of Vice Chairman of the BPA. There followed a discussion about whether a post of 'second Vice Chairman' should be inaugurated, and if so the procedure that should be followed to do this. However, both candidates stated that they would prefer there to be an election for a single post of Vice Chairman, as had always been custom and practice to date. The Chairman therefore invited each of the nominees to make a statement to the meeting before a secret ballot was held.

John Smyth said he was standing as Vice Chairman because he believed that with his competitions perspective, and no business interest in the sport, he was in the best position to counterbalance those with business interests, and to continue to work well with the Chairman.

Kieran Brady said he had been involved with the sport as a volunteer for the last 17 years. He was active as a pilot and pilot examiner, and assisted the TO/NCSO with some DZ inspection visits. For these activities, his credibility with outside authorities such as the CAA would be enhanced by holding the office of Vice Chairman of the BPA.

The secret ballot then took place. After the secret ballot, Kieran Brady congratulated John Smyth on his election as Vice Chairman of the BPA.

1.2 Club Representatives

Kieran Brady was appointed as 'Club Representatives Co-ordinator' to co-ordinate written reports to the Council on visits by Club Reps.

02/02 Council meetings 2002

The following dates were agreed for Council meetings in 2002:

Tuesdays at 1830 at the BPA Office, Leicester: 19 February
23 April
18 June
20 August
22 October
10 December (EGM & Council)

03/02 Regional Representatives

Ian Midgley proposed, and Paul Applegate seconded, a motion that the following (who had all signified their willingness to stand) be elected as BPA Representatives to the Sport England Regional bodies for 2002.

Michael Allum	East
David Hickling	East Midlands
John Smyth	Greater London
Tim Andrewes	North
Stuart Morris	North West
Doug Peacock	South
Ian Marshall	South East
John Fisher	South West
Mick Matthews	West Midlands
Lofty Thomas	Yorkshire

Carried unanimously

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Elections of Officers, etc, for 2002

Position	Nominee/s	Proposer	Seconders	Outcome
Chairman	Chris Allen	Kieran Brady	Ian Midgley	Elected unanimously
Vice Chairman	Kieran Brady John Smyth	Ian Midgley Paul Applegate	Eddie Jones Jim White	Secret ballot: For: 4 - not elected For: 7 - elected
Treasurer	Debbie Carter	John Smyth	Ian Midgley	Elected unanimously
Chairman STC	John Hitchen	Ian Midgley	David Hickling	Elected unanimously
Chairman Development Committee	Ian Midgley	Kieran Brady	Barrie Buck	Elected unanimously
Chairman Competitions Committee	John Smyth	Ian Marshall	Kieran Brady	Elected unanimously
Chairman Communications Committee	Kieran Brady	Ian Midgley	Ian Marshall	Elected unanimously
Delegate to RAeC	John Smyth	Paul Applegate	Ian Marshall	Elected unanimously
Alternate Delegate to RAeC	Ian Marshall	John Smyth	Paul Applegate	Elected unanimously
Club Representatives (Northern) (2 Reps)	Kieran Brady Jim White	John Smyth Barrie Buck	Paul Applegate Paul Applegate	Elected unanimously Elected unanimously
Club Representative (Central)	Ian Midgley	Kieran Brady	Eddie Jones	Elected unanimously
Club Representative (Southern)	Craig Poxon	John Smyth	Paul Applegate	Elected unanimously
Liaison Officer to CAA	Tony Knight	Ian Marshall	Barrie Buck	Elected unanimously
To co-opt Treasurer (if not Council member)	Debbie Carter	John Smyth	Ian Marshall	Carried unanimously
To co-opt Chairman, STC (if not Council member)	John Hitchen	Ian Marshall	Paul Applegate	Carried unanimously
To co-opt affiliated / associated bodies	APA RAFSPA SSPA BCPA	Craig Poxon Paul Applegate Jim White Ian Marshall	Jim White Barrie Buck David Hickling Craig Poxon	Carried unanimously Carried unanimously Carried unanimously Carried unanimously

04/02 Action Plan 2002/3

The Chairman asked all Members of Council to join a Subcommittee by contacting the appropriate Committee Chairman immediately after this meeting.

Action: All Council Members

The first task of all Committees was to draft the one-year Action Plan for their area of responsibility to cover the period 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2003 inclusive. Each Committee Chairman was responsible for collecting ideas and drafting the matrix and accompanying narrative to put forward to the full Council on Tuesday 19 February. The Competitions, Communications and Development Committees planned to have short informal meetings following on from this Council meeting to discuss ideas.

**Action: All Council Members/
Committee Chairmen**

05/02 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 19 February 2002 at 1830 at the BPA Office, Glen Parva, Leicester (following meetings of the Communications and Development Committees during the afternoon).

The meeting closed at 1235