



FAB MALÁGA DELEGATION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Friday 6th August 2021

2.00 pm

Present:	FAB Chairman	Ron Jones
	FAB Treasurer	Julian Thomas
	FAB Team Malaga	David Mainwaring
	FAB Comp Sec	Robert Wright
	FAB Vice President	Bixo Foletti
	FAB Secretary	Bill Neal
	Benavista	Bill Davies / Roy Saunders
	La Posada	Shelley Greenwood
	Lauro	Jane Richardson
	Mijas	John Wilson
	Miraflores	Carol Frost
	Santa Maria	Phil Baldry
	Saydo	Tom Maclean

The chairman welcomed all the members to the meeting conducted via the internet after the recent Junta decision regarding COVID protocols curtailed the numbers allowed to be present. He also confirmed that all members had received documents he had sent earlier, the agenda, treasurer account sheet and links to various documents to be discussed later. All members confirmed they had received them.

The previous meetings minutes were agreed to be a true and accurate record together with confirmation of no matters arising.

Treasurer Report.

There were no comments on the provided accounts sheet and a proposal by Bill Davies and seconded by John Wilson to accept this a true and accurate record of the financial statement was fully supported.

Chairman Announcements.

Ron then informed the meeting of the correct procedure to follow in the event of an accident at any club. The details are now on the FAB website and Ron would produce a poster style document and disseminate to all clubs for printing and displaying on the club premises.

Provincial Championships. A discussion took place led by Ron regarding the current condition for entry rules. It contains residencia requirements and, also time players must have spent in Spain in order to enter. It was explained that this year is so different and next season is likely to be the same so previous conditions of entry perhaps need refining to accommodate the ever-changing position we find ourselves in.

John Wilson and Bill Davies suggested that if a player is a fully paid member of a club and is federated, this should be sufficient. All representatives agreed with this approach and therefore a proposal was formed by John Wilson and seconded by Jane Richardson to delete the old conditions of entry and to revisit this area next year. All clubs agreed and this would take effect immediately.

Carol reminded the meeting that her club had two membership periods covering the year and not 1 like the other clubs so altering the conditions would be beneficial and allow overseas members to select their visit dates and their choice of competition easier.

Ron reminded the meeting that we are not running competitions based solely on overseas members travel plans and the calendar had been produced with the majority of competitions and club requirements featured.

Robert explained that as the Federation season is now January to December perhaps clubs might want to review their membership periods to match this.

David confirmed that the calendar confirms the Provincial championships are in September.

Ron reiterated that the Federation does not and will not dictate club choices on membership criteria or period of membership choices.

Bixio then offered that as Federation fees are paid in January of each year this is when it makes sense to confirm membership periods and as green fees which are paid separately, direct to club funds, can then be decided and collected by clubs. He added that club statutes reflect this.

A few clubs confirmed that they do not operate their federation fees and green fees as Bixio suggested asking if they were in contravention of the Federation rules. Ron ended this discussion by offering to talk with Bixio off-line to determine the exact position and will inform clubs of the outcome.

League.

Ron reminded clubs that the calendar had been produced and nearly every Friday in the 3-month periods, had been allocated for league fixtures, as agreed by clubs at earlier meetings.

David added that it may be possible to 'insert' another league between September and December if clubs confirm their requirements to him. Ron asked all clubs to confirm the number of teams they thought would compete and if the period September to December was adequate. Responses were:

Benavista – 12 players for home and away but would prefer an October start date.

La Posada – 18 players, starting in September

Mijas – 18 players starting in September

Saydo – 30 players starting in September

Miraflores – 12 players, starting in October and Carol said that she was not happy with home and away proposal. She added that the league could commence in September but she would prefer a separate league, home and away could start in October and finish after Christmas.

Lauro – 24 players starting in September but not sure why we are considering changing home/away to all teams at home or away. Ron clarified that this was to allow more fixtures in a shorter time frame, as agreed at an earlier meeting.

Santa Maria – hopeful to field 12 players after discussions with Miraflores and would find starting in September very difficult and would prefer an October start.

David and Ron reminded the clubs that the start date in September was agreed at previous meetings and also the fact that the league would operate over a 3 month period 4 times a year and the responses given by some clubs are a change to this decision.

John Wilson asked if Santa Maria and Miraflores considered joining together to form one club. Carol answered by saying that Miraflores wishes to remain separate and retain its individuality. Ron agreed that the Federation would much rather have the two individual clubs.

David stated that ideally, 18 players (3 trips) from each club would form the league and allow a start in September.

Carol reminded the meeting that whenever the league(s) start she could only furnish 12 players.

Ron concluded by saying the league will start in September as planned but the possibility of a second league starting in October will be looked at later once clubs can confirm their numbers and preferable start/finish dates.

Calendar 2022.

All clubs had previously confirmed receipt of the calendar and the individual club's requirements together with known federation commitments diarised. Ron added that as can be seen there are plenty of 'gaps' for clubs who may yet have to decide their own competitions to be entered.

All clubs agreed with the calendar with Jane adding that she will confirm Lauro's open dates in the near future, probably November, after discussions with the club.

There was discussion whether the next year the league would be split over the period January to March and continued in October – December and it was suggested this could be played under the old system of home and away venues. As this differed to the agreed 12 week formats already agreed, Clubs were asked to confirm whether this was viable and report back to the next meeting. They can also confirm how many teams they might be able to field nearer the time.

Ron in conjunction with Robert will fill in any remaining FAB competitions and Robert will keep clubs informed of updates.

John Wilson asked if the Ball and Chain competition could be entered in December (4 days). Ron explained that there is space available and there is no objection to Mijas holding their traditional Ball and Chain competition. Carol wondered if allocating Mijas a further 4 days impinged on the already agreed 8 days per club.

Ron reminded the meeting that every single event now has to be on the calendar to meet the Andalucia requirements and to ensure the event and club is insured under the Federation umbrella and the Ball and Chain is a long-standing competition which took place every year. Also, it is far easier to cancel an event as opposed to try and enter an event at the last minute.

Shelley wondered if the league being played in July was accurate as the weather will mean unbearable playing conditions. It was clarified that we are simply keeping the option open as there are people who do not find the heat as oppressive and may wish to have a league in some format to continue competitive bowling. Again, events can be cancelled very easily if necessary.

John Wilson asked about the league cup for next year. Ron and David will confer and let the clubs know the details later this year.

Ron reminded the clubs that the end of this year and next year will continue to be challenging and we have to remain flexible but it is hoped to allow the league to start and get us back in to something of a fixed programme and a calendar published to allow all players, wherever they might live, to join in and enjoy their bowling.

Any Other Business.

Robert told the meeting that he would be sending out the call notice and newly formed conditions of play for the upcoming mixed fours starting on the 6 September at Lauro.

No other club had any other business and the meeting closed at 1530

Next Meeting.

15 September at 1400 at Lauro. In person or via link will be confirmed later by Ron.