

BMC Clubs' Committee meeting 31st March, 2011

Notes on the major items of the meeting.

1. **Insurance.** There was some concern from the National Clubs that the insurance limit of £10m for Civil Liability (which includes Professional Indemnity) might be too low in view of a recent claim for £14.6m. Dave Turnbull is to ask Perkins Slade for formal quotations for limits of £15m and £20m. These would be taken to the Finance Committee for discussion.
2. **Clubs workshop.** The workshop taking place at Plas-y-Brenin at the end of April is aimed at clubs who accept novices. So far 11 places have been booked, making the event viable.
3. **Changes to the Operating Procedures.** There were discussions about a document detailing draft changes to the Operating Procedures for the Clubs' Committee. These could affect election procedures and tenure of office, if eventually approved by the National Council.
4. **Survey of clubs.** A detailed survey of clubs has been carried out using the SurveyMonkey system. By the time of the meeting, some 137 out of a possible 310 clubs had completed the survey. This result, some 44% of clubs, was surprisingly high and very encouraging. The purpose was to gather details of Associated Clubs so that the work of the Clubs' Committee could be targeted in the right areas. There was very little interest in Child Protection or Youth issues but many clubs were interested in legal, insurance and constitutional aspects of running their clubs. Future Clubs Workshops will aim to satisfy these requirements – the next is on 22-23 October.
5. **Club administration.** Work is on-going in several areas including
 - o the alignment of clubs' membership databases with that of the BMC,
 - o the legal status of clubs including charitable status and incorporation and
 - o working with the banking system to make sure that there are adequate provisions for clubs when cheques go out of use in 2018.

Paul Exley 6th April, 2011