

Minutes from the committee meeting of the Cambridgeshire Korfball Association (CKA) held on Thursday 17th June 1993.

Present: Jon Herbert (Chairman), Stephen Hinchliffe (Secretary), Carline Lee (Treasurer), Raffi Cohen, Jenny Winn.

Apologies: Hugh Barker, Gillian Card, Debbie Challis, Paul Kerr-Delworth.

- (1) The minutes from the previous meeting were distributed and approved.
- (2) The current status of each club was discussed. Cambridge University KC (CUKC) are going well, and Hugh Barker has offered to coach them through the coming winter season. Addenbrookes KC (AKC) currently have a hard core of 14-16, and the club is slowly gaining more male members, to even up the balance. It seems likely that Jon Gregory from Bristol KC will coach them. Bedford College KC (BCKC) are happily looking after themselves. Cambridge City KC (CCKC) and Cambridge Netherhall KC (CNKC) have yet to form separate identities. The CNKC

practices, indoors at the Netherhall Sports Centre 6-7pm on tuesdays, are poorly attended. It is not financially viable to continue to run this session. 1000 leaflets advertising the club are now ready for distribution. The CCKC practices, outdoors at the Netherhall 7.10-8.10pm on tuesdays, are both better attended and cheaper to run. However, they currently have nowhere to practice come autumn. It has been suggested that if there is no reasonable influx of players in the near future, the two clubs will have to merge and move to Cherry Hinton to take an indoor booking on a wednesday evening.

- (3) The league was discussed. The first league has been completed, with CUKC I finishing as champions. The summer league is about to get under way. There will be a shortage of referees for the coming winter league - most will be provided by CUKC. Hugh Barker will be arranging a refereeing course to take place during October.
- (4) All agreed that the first CKA tournament went well. A profit of about £130 was made on the event. About 400 leaflets were distributed on the day, but as a recruitment drive this was not a success. However there was good press coverage of the event - from Anglia TV, CNFM and the Cambridge Evening News.
- (5) Youth development was discussed. Earlier in the day two teams from the Freisland regional squad had arrived to help with this. The morning's event had been cancelled at too late a date to arrange anything else. The afternoon however was a huge success. 90 children from Sawston Village College, Parkside

Community College and Cottenham Village College spent a very enjoyable afternoon at Kelsey Kerridge. The British Korfball Association payed for the event. All three colleges involved have expressed interest in setting up teams.

Now that we have children interested in the sport, it was agreed that it is important to keep the momentum going. Coaches would be required, and these would have to come from within the schools themselves.

It was suggested that teachers would best learn to coach by attending a course at Avon Tyrell over the summer. A later coaching session would then be arranged in Cambridge. It was also suggested that teachers should be encouraged to join existing clubs.

Equipment is no problem, and can be provided by the BKA at relatively short notice.

A Youth Development Committee will be set up.

- (6) The County Championships on 24-25th July were discussed. Jon Herbert will be coaching the squad. After much discussion, it was agreed that one weekend's intensive training would be the best way to prepare, inconveniencing as few people as possible. This, however, is not to be a precedent, and next year the practices are to be reconsidered. The weekend would involve four two-hour sessions, probably at Leckhampton. It was agreed by all that Jon Herbert should pick the squad, using his judgment to pick a mixture of experienced players and those who are relatively new to the game who would benefit from the experience. Again this is not a precedent, and in future years it is expected that trials would take place.
- (7) The remaining committee positions were again put open to applicants. These are the positions of league officer and development officer.
- (8) The next meeting was set for lunchtime on Saturday 17th July.