

LKA Competitions Committee Meeting September 16, 2017

1	<p>Lol More (LKA Competitions Coordinator – Nomads), Sally More (LKA Competitions Administrator – Nomads), Karen Palfreyman (LKA Chair), James Siphthorpe (LKA Treasurer -Highbury), Rich Hayward (LKA Joint Fixtures Secretary - Highbury), Jack Protheroe (LKA Representatives Officer – South London, Jamie Miller (LKA Referees Secretary – Supernova), Hannah Patrick (Bromley), Ben King (Bec), Ben Walsh (Croydon), Tom Davies (South London) and Gary Brooks (Trojans).</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of last meeting</p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.</p>	
3	<p>LKA Senior Indoor League</p> <p>i. Structure of Senior Indoor Divisions for 2017/18</p> <p>LM confirmed that Bec had entered 5 teams this season. However, Nomads had only entered 4 teams and South London had only entered 1 team. Therefore, there are 28 teams. As agreed at the last meeting, there are 10 teams in LRL. The remaining 18 have then been allocated 9 teams to LKA2 and 9 teams to LKA3, based on where they finished last season.</p> <p>ii. Fixtures for Senior Indoor Divisions for 2017/18</p> <p>LM thanked RH and John Coughlan for putting together the fixtures appreciating what a difficult task it is. This was compounded by the late publication of the EKL fixtures and calendar.</p> <p>RH explained that they had tried to take account of all requests from clubs. There were still some queries with certain clubs, which he would discuss individually after the meeting. Also, some inter club matches still needed to be scheduled, but not at the end of the season. However, these are likely to take place mid-week.</p> <p>RH mentioned that 5th November had been earmarked for the first LKA Cup. South London, Croydon, Highbury and Supernova had all expressed an interest. However, Petchey had recently cancelled the booking, so he was looking for an alternative venue.</p> <p>SM reminded the meeting of the dates for the Europa Cup, the Europa Shield and the Youth inter-area on 21st January. Also, school holidays and Mother’s Day. In particular, clubs with juniors were asked to review these dates.</p> <p>SM handed out each club’s stock of match report forms, including EKL forms where relevant.</p> <p>iii. Referee Issues</p> <p>a) Assigning referees for LRL</p> <p>LM reported that all teams participating in LRL would be allocated 9 matches to referee. JM is now the Referees Secretary and he will be making the allocations. Clubs are welcome to give JM a list of the matches they can referee.</p> <p>SM will put together a list of all the qualified referees in London, together with those who have passed their theory, and circulate.</p> <p>b) Refereeing in lower divisions</p> <p>LM commented that there was still a tendency for referees to be left on their own, whereas an experienced referee should be giving support. LM will recirculate the referee guidelines again.</p> <p>LM reminded the clubs that an underage referee (16 and over but under 18), can only referee if they have an underage referee form in place. Also, a responsible adult (someone who understands korfbal) must be in attendance and sign the match report form.</p> <p>c) Assessments</p> <p>LM reminded the clubs that he can arrange assessments in LRL and LKA2 matches, if a few weeks’ notice is given, and they are in the Croydon area or Epsom College which are convenient for assessors.</p>	<p>SM</p> <p>LM</p>

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	<p>vi. Clarification of the rules for season 2017/18</p> <p>LM ran through the playing rules changes for this season as follows:-</p> <p>Equipment of players and officials</p> <p>This rule has been amended to include sharp finger nails and specifies that finger nails must be closely cut and smooth. The referee should check the finger nails of all players, including substitutes prior to the start of the match.</p> <p>Time out After 50 seconds the referee blows his whistle to indicate that both teams have to retake their positions. The game should be restarted within 60 seconds of the start of the time-out.</p> <p>Throw off It is possible for the team taking a throw off to forfeit that right if they are punished for delaying the game. This would result in a re-start being awarded to the opposing team.</p> <p>LM will circulate a note on the playing rule changes prior to the start of the season.</p> <p>LM went through the protocol for agreeing changes to the LKA League Rules as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Proposed changes are circulated for discussion at the mid-season meeting in December/January ii) Clubs go back to their members after the mid-season meeting to get their views. iii) Changes are voted on at the end of season meeting in May iv) Changes to the rules agreed at the May meeting are drafted and agreed at the pre-season meeting in September. <p>As per the protocol above, SM had circulated the Senior Indoor League Rules showing the draft changes from last year.</p> <p>The main changes are:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Up to 8 rolling subs will be allowed in all divisions. b) 1 time out per team will be allowed in LKA 2 & 3. Therefore, half time must be restricted to 3 minutes. c) Guest players cannot score more than 25% of the goals. d) Match report forms can be sent in electronically by the home club. However, all match report forms from one venue must be attached to one email. 	LM
4	<p>Junior Competitions</p> <p>A meeting has been arranged next Thursday between all clubs who have juniors to set dates. These dates and venues should be put on the LKA website.</p> <p>Trinity has already been booked on two afternoons and Royal Russell on one afternoon before Christmas.</p>	LM
5	<p>National Youth Day feedback</p> <p>National Youth Day took place on 9th July 2017 in Norfolk. Unfortunately, no clubs from London attended. It was discussed that the reason for this was:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Travelling distance b) U11s were 8v8. <p>Therefore, it was agreed that SM should request to EKA that next year's NYD should be 4v4 for U11s.</p> <p>Due to the problems with travelling, it was agreed that LKA should offer to host NYD next season, preferably at the venue in Bromley used previously.</p>	SM SM

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6	<p>Inter-area</p> <p>i. Senior LKA representative team</p> <p>SM confirmed that the Senior Inter-area next season will prospectively be held on 19th May 2018 in Nottingham or Manchester. Feedback was given to JP that there needs to be more communication surrounding trials and training and contact details of attendees need to be taken.</p> <p>JP will contact Liam Clarke to confirm if he will coach the London Senior team again. If he does not want to do it, Moses Hutchinson-Pascal of Highbury may be interested. Tim Mcloughlin of Supernova has agreed to be manager.</p> <p>ii. Youth LKA Representative teams</p> <p>SM confirmed that the Youth Inter-Areas this season are being held the weekend of 20th/21st January in Harrow. The age groups will be U17 and U13 on Saturday and U15 and U11 on Sunday. The U19 age group will take place on Saturday 2nd December in Kent.</p> <p>Coaches have already volunteered as follows:-</p> <p>U11 – Claire Millett (Nomads), although Claire cannot now attend on the day</p> <p>U13 – Natalie Moore (Bromley)</p> <p>U15 – Bill Berry (Bromley)</p> <p>U17 – Gary Brooks (Trojans)</p> <p>U19 - Dav Patel (Bec)</p> <p>Managers are required for the Inter-areas at all age groups. JP had drafted a manager’s job description which was circulated. This will be discussed further at the forthcoming juniors meeting, where Lisa Swain will be able to give valuable input.</p> <p>KP mentioned that Rob Bloomer, the England U15 coach, had proposed that the England U15 team play against area U15 teams in preparation for the U15 World Cup. KP/JP had responded that LKA would be interested. To be discussed further at the Juniors meeting.</p>	
7	<p>Outdoor competitions in summer 2017 feedback</p> <p>There had been no formal competitions over the summer.</p> <p>Highbury and Supernova had run some very successful sessions in North and Central London, Supernova moving their venue to Clapham Common. South London had run some AstroTurf sessions. Bec had run some sessions on Tooting Bec Common. Bec and Nomads had run some sessions in conjunction with Wandle Valley Trust. Croydon had taken part in their local Park Runs and manned a promotional stand there.</p>	
8	<p>LKA Endorsement for National League teams (Premier and Promo Divisions)</p> <p>The current document was distributed.</p> <p>It was noted that as Bec had now entered 5 teams in the league so they would need one extra person to fulfil an administrative role if they are to be endorsed for National League. Also, Trojans still need one extra person to fulfil an administrative role.</p>	
9	<p>AOB</p> <p>LM mentioned that there was a referees conference taking place in St. Pancras on 24th September, the aim of which is to provide continuity for referees. All National League and aspiring referees are encouraged to attend.</p>	
10	<p>Date of next Meeting</p> <p>It was proposed that the next meeting will take place on 6th January 2018 at the same venue.</p>	<p>LM</p>