

WORLD CROQUET FEDERATION

Report of the Management Committee: July 1989 - Sept 1990.

Championships

A report on the 1989 Championship is attached. The 1990 Championship, hosted by the English Croquet Association, is in progress and a report will be submitted after the event to all WCF member bodies. The only bid received to host the 1991 World Championship is from the English CA. This has been accepted by the Management Committee, but is dependent on Continental Airlines confirming their sponsorship for a 3rd year.

Bids for the 1992 Championship should be received by the Secretary General before 1st January 1991. For subsequent championships, bids should be received by 1st July 18 months prior to the start of the championship year (eg 1st July 1991 for the 1993 Championship).

Actions arising from the last AGM (15/7/89)

Membership Requirements are outlined in the attached paper.

Rules Changes agreed at the last AGM have been drafted, and the new draft is attached.

Observer Member representation has been considered by the Management Committee who feel that its current composition is adequate to deal with any matter that might arise. It is suggested that Observer Members should notify the Secretary General of any matter they wish to raise, and he will draw it to the attention of the Committee.

South Africa: The Management Committee considered South Africa's participation in the 1990 Championship and reluctantly decided against inviting South African players to compete.

WCF Logo: A number of designs have been submitted, but none has met with general approval so far.

Procedure for Championship bids: This is defined in the attached paper, together with dates for the submission of bids.

Championship format: Views of players and officials will be canvassed during the present World Championship to determine any changes that are felt to be desirable.

Championship balls: Bernard Neal and his committee have not yet produced a final specification, as they are examining the effect of temperature on ball elasticity, and are trying to find some way in which this can be taken into account. A number of new makes of ball have been introduced during the year in various countries, and it is felt that the final specification should keep in step with manufacturing capabilities.

GAISF membership: The WCF's application for full membership of GAISF has been unsuccessful, as we do not yet have 20 member nations. Our application for provisional membership has not received any definite response from GAISF, but there is little chance of Croquet being a participating sport in the 1993 World Games.

Postal voting, Vote entitlements, and the setting up of a Trust Fund are currently being considered by the Management Committee and a verbal report will be given at the meeting if appropriate.

C. Hudson,
Secretary General.

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