MINUTES OF THE AGM OF THE WELSH CROQUET ASSOCIATION HELD AT DYFFRYN GARDENS CARDIFF ON FRIDAY 26TH JUNE 1992

PRESENT:

W PRICHARD

J GRIMSHAW

C WILLIAMS

J EVANS

I BURRIDGE

P DORKE

K GARRAD

M LLEWELLYN-WILLIAMS

P PRISTAVEC

ITEM 1 - CHAIRMANS REPORT

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ITEM 2 - ACCOUNTS

The accounts for the year to 31st December 1991 were presented to the meeting and approved. Proposed IB second JE. P Dorke said that there must be many Welsh people playing croquet in the UK and they should be encouraged to join the Welsh CA.

ITEM 3 - ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

The Officers and Committee were elected en block and remain

CHAIRMAN - W PRICHARD SECRETARY - J GRIMSHAW TREASURER - C WILLIAMS COMMITTEE - J EVANS

ITEM 4 - WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

C Williams reported on his experiences at the World Championships in the USA in May. The competition was superbly organised and the standard of play quite high although the lawns being converted tennis courts were not the best.

ITEM 5 - AGM

The main discussion points at the World Croquet Federation AGM concerned selection criteria for national representation with proposals to standardise rules.

It was reported that there was no chance of croquet becoming an Olympic sport but there was a possibility of membership of the World Federation of Sports. This organisation requires individual sports to have 20 member states.

Guernsey were elected to membership of the WCF.

It was decided that World Championships should be held annually although no bid had yet been received for 1993. There was a possibility that it may be held in Birmingham. Provisional bids had been received from USA (1994), France (1995), Australia (1996) and New Zealand (1997).

Allocation of places at future World Championships was also decided. They will be as follows:

- 4 places England, New Zealand, Australia, USA
- 2 places Scotland, Ireland, South Africa
- 1 extra place for the hosts
- 1 qualifier from those associations entitled to only one place by $\ensuremath{\operatorname{right}}$
- 1 place for the holder. However, this will result in the reduction of a place for the association of which the holder is a representative.

CLUBS IN WALES

P Dorke reported that a group are playing at a club in Knighton.

FUTURE WELSH CHAMPIONSHIPS

There was a proposal that future Welsh Championships should be held on the first weekend in August. The matter was left for the committee to consider.