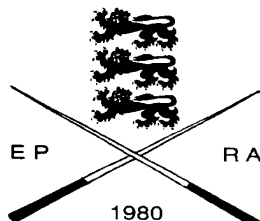


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English Pool Referees Association

DELEGATES MEETING MINUTES

Held at
Longton Snooker & Pool Club, Longton, Stoke-On-Trent, Staffordshire
Sunday 9th February 2025
10:30am

1: Chairman opened the Meeting at 10:27am

2: **Officers Present:**

George Bradbury (Chairman) / Simon Grove (Vice-Chairman)
John H. Hope (General Secretary) / Lyn Carnall (Treasurer)
Tony Coe (Examination Secretary) /
Steve Peregrine (Membership Secretary)

Delegates Present:

Region 1	No Delegate / No Representative
Region 2	Martin West
Region 3	James Cheadle
Region 4	Nicky Josselyn (Representative)
Region 5	Michael Reece (Representative)
Region 6	Tony Wilshire (Representative)
Region 7	Will Dowsing
Region 8	John-Paul Eames

Apologies:

Matthew Burgess R4 / Ian Boman R6

Absent:

Multiple apologies From Association Members

3: **Chairman's Report:**

Hello Everyone

For those of you who don't know me, my name is George Bradbury and I'm the chairman of the EPRA.

I'd like to start my report on a very positive note in respect of the amount of

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new members we have gained over the past couple of years. Since the Covid lockdown the running of the EPRA seemed to be thrown into total disarray, so too was the EPA, & various other organisations, come to that, but it's been a long hard struggle getting things back on track.

As a lot of you will know we didn't have an agm last year due to unforeseen circumstances but the year before the agm was held in August which turned out to be a total disaster, with the committee being told that none of them were officially in office due to the lockdowns and time that had lapsed due to this. Following this not only were the existing committee voted back on at an EGM, but so were three new officers, a new Exam Secretary Tony Coe, a Vice Chairman Simon Grove, and a Membership Secretary Steve Peregrine, following this the running of the EPRA has ran a lot more efficiently, so much so that we are now attracting a steady influx of new members from around the country.

I'm very encouraged to see that over the past couple of years members are coming forward with new ideas that are helping to build the Association from strength to strength & in turn securing the future of the EPRA. I still have concerns moving forward, in respect of the fact that, since the introduction of Ultimate Pool & their involvement in the World Championships & European Championships, we are no longer invited to officiate at these events, as they choose to use the IRO, because of the Sponsorship of UP. That aside, I think our relationship with the EPA is as strong as it's always been, and will remain so in the foreseeable future.

Later this month we will be attending a new venue that the EPA have secured a contract with for future events, so hopefully there will be a bright future not only for the EPA, but the EPRA as well.

In closing, I would just like to thank everyone on the EPRA Executive for their hard work, all of the Members for their enthusiasm and dedication, and last but not least, Barbara Taylor & the rest of the EPA committee for their loyalty towards the EPRA.

4: Minutes of 20th August 2023 Delegates Meeting:

The Minutes were discussed and voted on as:

Proposed: Lyn Carnall

Seconded: Sharon Wood

For: 6

Against: 0

Abstentions:

5: Matters Arising:

No Matters Arising.

6: Correspondence:

Two Reports were sent to the EPA regarding the EPRA as below:

(i) Report #1

EPRA Report to EPA

With the EPA adopting International Rules, as of 01/01/2023, it has fallen upon the EPRA to ensure that as many EPA members are upto speed with the new set of rules. This was achieved via Seminars and Referees Examinations. To date approximately 160 examinations were conducted with a pass rate of 76%, this is very high in comparison to previous World Rules Exams, but it is not surprising considering the type of exam. All members who worked on this are to be commended for their hard work in achieving this number of exams. Making and dealing with candidates for this number of exams was difficult enough without problems with the loss of the, then current, Examination Secretary, which only served to exasperate matters. It should be noted that a considerable amount of time and effort was taken to ensure that the EPRA produced a fit for purpose exam and supporting materials based on existing exams etc. Only to be informed that the current Multiple Choice exam was to be used, which is very disappointing.

The EPRA has supplied Referees for all the EPA's 2023 National Events to date, all at Pakefield Pontins, including the May events, where, to ensure proper coverage, we supplied extra Referees at no cost to the event/s.

On 20th August the EPRA held their long awaited AGM and Delegates Meeting, prior to this all matters concerning the running of the association were dealt with via email and social media, with face to face meetings at National Events. At the beginning of the AGM the meeting a Point of Order was raised, by Mike Perkins, that because an AGM was had not been held in two years, the association was effectively 'Dissolved' and all Officers were acting in unelected positions, this is, of course, incorrect. Irrespective of not holding an AGM the Association was carrying out all of it's required duties regarding the training and qualifying Referees and supply Referees for EPA National Events and any other events as requested, eg. World of Darts annual event.

This Point of Order caused the meeting to be continued out of order, regarding the Agenda. However, the current Chairperson and Treasurer were asked to continue as 'Acting' which they agreed. From the meeting a new Executive post of Membership Secretary was raised and Steve Perigrine was elected, even though the General Secretary was incumbent and other nominations were received for the post, he was

not voted into the post. Simon Grove (R4) was elected as Vice Chair and Tony Coe (R6) was elected as Examination Secretary. Robert Shore (R2 & previous Examination Secretary) has agreed to assist Tony Coe when required.

It was agreed that an EGM be called to elect a Chairman, General Secretary and Treasurer. This meeting was held on 17th September. The only persons Nominated and Standing for these positions were the original Officers, George Bradbury - re-elected as Chairman / John H. Hope - re-elected as General Secretary / Lyn Carnall - re-elected as Treasurer.

The EPRA has sufficient Referee's available to cover requirements for the October and November National Events.

I was unaware that the EPA/UP County A teams collaboration was being held this weekend, I had not been informed. It is disappointing that considering this is an EPA event, the EPRA has not been requested to supply any Referees.

If you require any further information, please email the General Secretary.

Regards

John H. Hope
EPRA General Secretary.

(ii) Report #2

EPRA Report to EPA
November 2023

Since the previous report (September 2023) there have been no further IR Exams carried out. However, there is interest from regions to have Seminars and Exams conducted. Interest has been shown in R2 when we will have a new examiner being assessed.

With regard to Exams, all exams held previously in 2022/23 have been dealt with, regarding results, certificates etc. Membership cards will be electronic rather than physical, and all Regional list are up to date. Many thanks to Examination Secretary Tony Coe and Membership Secretary Steve Peregrine for their hard work.

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With the exception of a shortfall of 1# Referee, a full quota of Referees were supplied for the Champion of Champions weekend at Prestatyn. At the event George Bradbury (R3) was assessed (by myself) for his upgrade to Senior Grade, I pleased to say that (subject to committee clarification) he did an excellent job and I have no qualms in recommending him for the upgrade. Also at that event 2# 'B' Grade Referees, Dean Winter R7 and Matthew Burgess R4, were assessed for their upgrade to 'A' Grade. This was their second assessment (2 of 3), they too did an excellent job and I have no concerns recommending them both for upgrade (subject to additional Verbal and Written exams, normally a formality).

Congratulations to all three Referees.

2024 Membership Forms are now available on line, it will be interesting to see how many of the newly qualified Referees take up Membership. The EPRA Rules Committee will be looking into the IR Playing Rules. They will be making considered recommendations regarding any current issues.

We look forward to the new season and hope that the encouraging gains in player numbers continues in 2024.

May I take this opportunity to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

clf you require any further information, please email the General Secretary.

Regards

John H. Hope
EPRA General Secretary.

(iii) A confirmation Email was sent to the EPA regarding the increase in the Referees payment rates.

Senior Referee Daily Rate: **£80.00** raised to **£100.00**

Daily Rate: **£75.00** raised to **£95.00**

Evening Rate: **£ 47.50** raised to **£47.50**

(iv) Other than multiple Emails / phone calls pertinent to the General Running of the Association, no relevant correspondence were received.

7: (i) Treasurers Report:

TREASURER'S REPORT 2025
Lyn Carnall

EPRA FINANCE REPORT – Financial year 2023-2024

Checking Account

In Out Balance

Opening Balances 01/01/24

Checking account £ 2,572.74

Income (See Appendix 1 – Income by Region)

Membership £1,485.00

Merchandise £ 749.00

Exams £ 1,082.16

EPA £15,595.00

Other £ 530.00

Total In £19,442.59

£22,015.33

Expenditure

Committee Expenses £ 0.00

Honoraria £ 410.00

Meetings £ 0.00

Travel Expenses £ 0.00

Referee Expenses £16,125.00

Website Hosting Charge £ 30.00

Merchandise £ 856.54

Total Out £ 8,953.86

£17,451.54

Assets at hand:

Printer £0

Laptop £0

32 EPRA badges £0

Closing Balance 31/12/24 £ 4,593.79

Liabilities falling due to end of February 2025

Badger 13 shirts £600.00

AGM Room Hire £100.00

Committee Honoraria £425.00

Delegate mileage £200.00

Creditors

5 shirts £200.00

Reserve Account

In Out Balance

Opening Balances 01/01/23

Reserve £5,450.72

Interest £53.29

Closing Balance £5,504.01

(ii) **Account Spreadsheet:**

Available on Request

8: Examination Secretary's Report:

EXAM SECRETARY'S REPORT 2025

Tony Coe

Hi Everyone, I took over from Richard Rhodes in July 2023, since then mainly with the help of Steve Peregrine plus input from the rest of the committee we came up with a design for the EPRA Exam certificate and got them emailed out to referee's who passed in Jan 23 onwards (plus about 10/12 who passed prior to that). Exams started up again in March 2024 with an exam in Weston Super Mare Somerset and have been held Nationally fairly regularly since then

Here are the details of those exams

Exams were held in R1, R2, R3, R4, R6

R1. 1 exam with 14 candidates, 11 passes and 3 fails pass rate 78.57%

Examiners George Bradbury and Lyn Carnall

R2. 3 exams with 23 candidates, 21 passes and 2 fails pass rate 91.30%

Examiner Martin West with John Chapman acting as observer in the first of those exams.

R3. some single exams rather than a set date 4 candidates, 4 passes 0 fails pass rate 100% Examiners George Bradbury and Lyn Carnall

R4.1 exam 10 candidates 4 passes 6 fails* (*please note a 5th candidate was well on their way to passing but missed out 4 complete pages due mainly to a family medical emergency during night prior to the exam, the EPRA offered a free retake which they have taken and now passed), pass rate 40%, Examiner Matthew Burgess, with John Hope observing Matthew's first exam.

R6.3 exams with 10 candidates in total, 8 passes and 2 fails pass rate 80% Examiner Tony Coe

National exams held at Pontins 2 exams with 19 candidates, 19 passes 0 fails, pass mark 100% Examiner Tony Coe

I would like to point out an interesting fact 27 candidates took Exam version 2b since I became Exam Secretary with 18 passes and 9 fails, National pass rate 66.66% where as 53 have taken Exam version 2c with 49 passes and 4 fails, National pass rate 92.45% I think this is because Exam 2b didn't always tell you how many points were required for each question where as Exam 2c does tell you that on every question.

Overall with 2b and 2c papers added together there were 80 candidates, with 67 passes and 13 fails with a National pass rate of 83.75%.

On a final note I am recommending Martin West to become Full Examiner for R2, I received a positive report from John Chapman (well shall we say up to the point when Martin rang him to say he hadn't paid for his exam paper, the report went quickly South at that point!!!!), I think you will all agree Martin has done an amazing job in his first year, Matthew Burgess still has to hold a second unsupervised exam in R4 before a decision can be made there.

- (i) Martin West (R2) was agreed as an Examiner for Region 2.
- (ii) Matthew Burgess will be assessed at one further Exam in his quest to Become an Examiner for Region 4.

9: MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Membership Secretary's Report EPRA AGM 2025 – Steve Peregrine

The position of Membership Secretary was created at the last AGM in 2023 with proposed role to:

'Collate and manage securely within relevant GDPR requirements the personal records and status of all the Association's members and make this available to the Committee to facilitate the smooth running of the Association.'

Given that this position did not exist before the last AGM, this offered a clear scope to enable and action the described role.

To date, I have collated all known available sources of membership details from various sources including JHH and other archive documents found on the website and provided by various others. Thanks John, for your input.

The data has been cleaned and compiled into a database. Reading and updating of the database requires knowledge of database query language, which is a very large part of my day-job and 'easy if you know how', so-to-speak. I have also programmed some automated script tools to access and update the data in the database in a more user-friendly and efficient way for speed and accuracy.

The database currently holds records for past and present members, 944 in total and 61 current members at the time of writing (3rd January). The data inside includes roll numbers (new and old), personal details, regional and county affiliations, dates of exams, exam pass marks, grades, dates of membership renewals by year and much more besides. These numbers will have changed by the AGM and an update will be given at the meeting. Working closely with the Examination Secretary (Tony Coe) helps to keep the exam records of new passed and failed candidates up to date on the database as a single source of truth.

Other activities I have also been involved in include creating digital exam certificates for Tony and digital membership cards to save on printing and production costs. As with the database, such tasks require some keen skills in certain software applications, but these items can be created very quickly 'if you know how'.

Additionally, Jason Davies (EPRA Webmaster) gave me access to the EPRA database to make edits, given that Jason and I already work very closely on the EPA website. With this access, I turned the old membership application form into an online web form to drive accuracy and remove errors from submissions. We are now in the 2nd registration period of this and it has been wholly successful, along with other fixes to stop spam messages coming through the Contact Us form. One other item of note that is a sleeping giant maybe – we seem to have a black hole of missing data from the Richard Rhodes' years. While he was Examination Secretary, he had all the records of examinations taken and roll numbers issued, and despite asking from several directions, none of this has come forwards. To date, I have only come across one referee who has submitted a form who is not on my database but claims that they already have a roll number from the World Rules days. It would be good to get these missing records included into our data. Finally, a thank you to all involved in the Association at all levels for making it what it is.

At the time of the Meeting their 83 Members

10: Event Reports:

(i) There were no out of ordinary occurrences at any of the years National Events. Therefore, no reports were required.

(ii) However, the 2024 Champion of Champions was the last National Event to be held Pontins Holiday Camp in Pakefield, Suffolk. Richardsons Holiday Camp in Norfolk, is to become our new home. Starting with the Intercounty Final in February 2025.

(iii) At 4 of the last 5 National Events, 4 'A' Grade Referees have been assessed for 'S' Grade. All will be recommended for their Upgrade. (see Any Other Business)

11: Regional Reports:

Region 1:

No Report - No Delegate / No Representative

Region 2: Martin West.

REGION 2 DELEGATES REPORT 2025

Martin West

Martin West

Region 2 Delegate (Interim)

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2024: A Year of Growth, Challenges, and Achievements for Region 2

Good afternoon everyone,

2024 has been a significant year for Region 2 and the English Pool Referees Association. This year has been marked by progress, collaboration, and some challenges that we've worked together with Region 2 EPA to overcome.

Today, I want to highlight the major achievements, the strides we've made in referee development, and where we're headed for the future.

Referee Development and Courses

1) A huge part of our success this year has been the growth of refereeing talent across Region 2, achieved through the delivery of **three referee courses**:

25th May 2024 – The first course of the year was a milestone for me personally, as it was delivered using materials I wrote myself. Supported by Rebecca Brown, we saw excellent results:

- I) **Jak Newby** – 89 points
- II) **Chlöe Allason** – 92 points
- III) **John Chapman** – 89 points
- IV) **Ryan Baxter** – 90 points
- V) **Sara Louise Payne** – 85 points
- VI) **Lee John Payne** – 92 points
- VII) **Kieron Keough** – 90 points

Special mention to **Chlöe Allason** for her outstanding performance, earning well-deserved recognition.

2) **29th October 2024** – A second course at **Merseyside's PSDSports** delivered exceptional results:

- i) **Anna Isabel Stewart** – 93 points (breaking records!)
- ii) **Thomas Hallmark** – 92 points
- iii) **Stan Siarkiewicz** – 91 points
- iv) **Elizabeth Neil** – 88 points
- v) **Jonathan Frear** – 82 points
- vi) **Kimberley Tomlinson** – 81 points

3) **30th November 2024** – A dedicated course for the **Keighley & District Pool League** at Keighley's Engineers Club. Organised alongside Chair James Richardson and supported by Jane Harle, all eight candidates performed well, though we're still awaiting official confirmation of the results.

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| i) Charlie Scarff | 95 |
| ii) James Richardson | 94 |
| iii) Lee Poppleton | 91 |
| iv) David Pearson | 88 |
| v) John Langdale | 87 |
| vi) Nick Feather | 85 |
| vii) Rebecca Langdale | 83 |
| viii) Polly Gillgrass | 82 |

In total, **21 referees** qualified under my instruction this year, significantly strengthening the officiating base across Lancashire, Merseyside, and Yorkshire.

Senior Referee Roles

In **June 2024**, I had the privilege of being appointed **Senior Referee** for the inaugural **Region 2 County Shootout Competition** in Wigan. This event was a huge success, setting a strong foundation for future competitions.

Interim Region 2 Delegate

This year also saw my appointment as **interim EPRA Region 2 Delegate**. While a democratic election wasn't feasible due to communication challenges, I accepted the role on an interim basis to provide stable leadership. My focus has been on:

Representing Region 2 at EPRA meetings.

Collaborating with counties, leagues, and youth managers.

Supporting initiatives to recruit and train referees.

While I've made progress, particularly in building relationships, there's still more to do in engaging youth managers and creating pathways for under-18 referees.

Membership and Representation

As of **3rd November 2024**, prior to the Keighley course, Region 2 membership stood at:

15 Full Members

6 Provisional Members

County membership is distributed as follows:

Cheshire: 2 members

Cumbria: 1 member

Greater Manchester: 4 members

Lancashire: 8 members

Merseyside: 3 members

West Yorkshire: 3 members

As of 18th January 2025, the Region 2 membership stand at 18. The breakdown is

- Cheshire - 4 members
- Cumbria - 1 member
- Greater Manchester - 2 member
- Lancashire - 4 Members
- Merseyside - 3 members
- West Yorkshire - 5 members

While not totally expected, the number of referees continuing into a second year is concerning. I feel this needs to be addressed by the committee with a more

Engaging Newly Passed Referees

One of the key challenges going forward is ensuring that our newly qualified referees remain engaged and actively involved in pool officiating. Here's how we can achieve that:

- 1) **Mentoring and Support** – Pairing new referees with experienced officials can help build confidence and encourage them to take on matches.
- 2) **Involvement in League Matches** – Counties and local leagues should encourage newly qualified referees to officiate at their events, ensuring they get practical experience early on

- 3) **Clear Progression Pathways** – Setting goals for referees, such as working towards higher grades or officiating at bigger events, can help keep them motivated.
- 4) **Regular Communication** – Keeping referees informed about upcoming opportunities and events through newsletters, WhatsApp groups, or meetings will help maintain their interest.
- 5) **Recognition and Encouragement** – Acknowledging their contributions and achievements through certificates, social media posts, or awards can boost morale and encourage continued participation.
- 6) **Referee Development Days** – Organizing dedicated events where referees can practice, discuss scenarios, and receive feedback will help them feel supported and engaged.
- 7) **Paid Opportunities and Incentives** – Encouraging local leagues and competitions to offer fair compensation for refereeing can make the role more attractive and sustainable.
- 8) By implementing these strategies, we can ensure that new referees remain active, contributing to the growth and professionalism of the sport.

Upgrades and Promotions

I'm currently in the process of upgrading my own qualification to **B-level**, which has been supported by the EPA Region. I'm also proud to advocate for **John Chapman's promotion to Life President** – a well-deserved recognition for his dedication to the sport and refereeing.

Challenges and Future Goals

While we've achieved a lot, challenges remain. One key focus for 2025 will be encouraging newly qualified referees to **become active EPRA members** and participate in events at regional and national levels.

To achieve this, counties will play a vital role by:

- 1) Promoting active EPRA participation. Creating pathways for involvement at higher levels.
- 2) Providing mentoring and support for new referees.
- 3) working closely with County Committees to maximise officiating opportunities.
- 4) By strengthening our support system, we can raise officiating standards and ensure referees feel valued.

Conclusion

Reflecting on 2024, it's been a year of progress, collaboration, and growth. From successful referee courses to strengthening regional leadership, we've laid a solid foundation for the future.

Thank you to everyone who has played a part in these achievements – candidates, counties, and supporters alike. Together, I'm confident we can continue to grow Region 2 into one of the strongest and most organised regions in the EPRA.

Thank you.

Martin West
Region 2 Delegate (Interim)

Region 3: James Cheadle:

REGION 3 DELEGATES RE[PORTS 2025
James Cheadle

A few exams have been taken all have passed so a few new referees and a few have not renewed so we have around 20 members give or take at the moment.

We have held the bucks pool competition here and they use our refs and we supply on average about 5 refs at national events

Region 4: Matthew Burgess (not registered (Absent))
Nicky Josselyn (Representative)

No Report (not aware required)

Region 5: Michael Reece (Representative)

No Report (not aware required)

Region 6: Ian Bodman (Absent) Tony Wiltshire (Representative)

Region 6 Delegates Report 2024

Author: Ian Bodman

Information gathered from Tony Coe Region 6 registered referee and current Exam Secretary has confirmed that the Region has held 3 different exam days since the 2023 AGM in July and has gained 8 newly qualified members plus two that took the exam at the National Interleague event, with 2 candidates failing the exam, with no mention of these two being retaken at present. We also gained two new referees through Dorset County a couple of months prior to the AGM.

The breakdown consists of:

Dorset 2

Somerset 6

Cornwall 2

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The breakdown of when each exam day was held and who passed and failed on those dates is available but I don't see the relevance of that information for this report.

Please request if considered necessary.

Current referees C.V.s include 3 Region 6 members attending National events, these include Tony Coe, Tony Wiltshire, and myself. There has also been representation from the Region at Internationals a returning member Matt Bell, Tony Coe, and myself.

There have also been requests made by a couple of our current members for upgrades from their existing grades, those being: Tony Wiltshire (C to B), Mathew Bell (D to C), and at some point, this year I will be applying for my own upgrade from a B to an A.

I have also had a couple of requests from Lee Brice from the Bristol County set up for the chance to get involved Nationally but I have been unable to get the time to visit a Bristol County game to assess him, I understand that he has acted as Senior for them a few times last season.

With nothing else to confirm at present this concludes my report.

REGION 7 DELIGATES REPORT

Will Dowsing

Good Afternoon,

I am the new delegate for Region 7, I have only been in position for the last couple of weeks, so I appreciate the answers may be shorter than they would normally be, however I have done my best. I have also been to the KCPA presentation night that was held on Saturday 1st Feb and the Kent v Berkshire Inter-county game the following day.

Referee Course:

There were no referee exams held last year, Phil was asked to do some in Sussex and tried to organise a few in Hampshire, but unfortunately nothing came of either proposals.

Renewing Referees:

I only have up to the 18th January, which had 3 new referees who took the exam last year, namely Ben Gadsby, William Rase and Robert Taylor. We currently have 11 renewals from region 7, however I know that we have at least 3 more new referees (Gavin Goodall & Andy Jefferson) however more may have renewed their membership that I am not aware of.

Upgrades Requested:

There are 4 referees who have asked for upgrades (Clair Watts would like to upgrade from A to S, Will Dowsing from C to B, Andrew Dickson from D to C & Oldriska Dickson from D to C)

R7 Referees at national events:

Region 7 sent 4 referees to the national events (Will Dowsing, Simon Groves, Dean Winter and Clair Watts)

Other Events & EPA Meetings

I am unaware of any region 7 referees who have worked events or been to any EPA meetings within Region 7.

Going Forward:

In the next couple of weeks I will be sending all current members of Region 7 an email to introduce myself to them, in this I will be mentioning that I will be setting up a Whatsapp group for all the Region 7 referees (unless any come back and say they dont want to be a part of it), this should help us keep in contact and with any issues.

Any problems please let me know.

Best Regards

Will Dowsing

Region 8: John-Paul Eames:

Trying to arrange Exams, no response to date.
Nothing else to report.

12: EPA REPORT:

See Correspondence.

13: FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

<u>DATE:</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>REFEREE NUMBERS</u>
25 th - 28 th September 2025	Interleague KO Cup weekend	TBA
27 th - 30 th November 2025	Champion of Champions weekend	TBA

14: NEXT MEETING:

Sunday 17th August 2025

15: ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

i) Five Members both past and present (as listed below) were proposed for the position of LIFE PRESIDENT. For their exemplary work for the EPRA. The persons named were discussed and voted on.

John Chapman (R2) / Jim Arnold (R3) / Dennis Whitaker (R4) / Marshall Morter (R4) / Jason Davies (R7)

For: 10

Against: 0

Abstentions: 0

All named to be entered into the EPRA Register as Life Presidents.

ii) R2. Martin West to continue acting as 'Interim Delegate' until R2 members have been contacted.

iii) R6. Tony Wiltshire to act as Representative until R2 members and current Delegate have been contacted. Current Delegate, Ian Bodman, has been ineffective, to date

iv) R4. Nicky Josselyn to act as Representative until R4 members and current Delegate have been contacted. Current Delegate, Matthew Burgess, has been ineffective, to date.

v) R5. Michael Reece, to act as 'Interim Delegate' until R5 members have been contacted.

vi) Clair Watts requested to be assessed for Upgrade to 'S' Grade. Her CV was distributed. Her request was agreed.

vii) Four current 'A' Grade were assessed for Upgrade to 'S' Grade. Following Due Process and discussion, It was agreed and the following referees will be 'S' Grade going forward.

George Bradbury / Lyn Carnall / John-Paul Eames / Simon Grove.

Well done to all four.

viii) The following Members have requested and been granted Upgrades:

Martin West C to B1 / Matthew Bell D to C / Tom Black /

Tim Balitho D to C / Andy Carnall / Colin Carpenter /

James Cheadle C to B1 / Andrew Dickson D to C /

Oldrisk Dickson D to C / Will Dowsing C to B1 / Lee Gagg D to C /

Jane Harle D to C / Nicky Josselyn C to B1 / Clair Maslin D to C /

Terry Pugh D to C / Michael Reece C to B1 / Yvette Thomson D to C /

Mark Welton C to B1 / Ryan Wisset / Sharon Wood /

Tony Wiltshire C to B1

ix) The following Members were refused Upgrades for not meeting the required criteria:

Ian Craggs B to A / Andrea Dean / Emma Downes / Steve Peregrine / Nigel Purchase

x) The matter of exam candidates / existing Members under the age of 18 years was discussed. It was decided that, any Member under the age of 18 years, would not be eligible to officiate as a Referee at National level until they reach 18 years. Under 18's Membership Fee will be 50% of the normal Fee. However, Exam Fees will be 100%.

xi) An entry for a Members Date of Birth to be added to the Membership Form.

xii) Successful/unsuccessful 'S' Grade candidates (4No:) To be officially informed of their result.

xiii) Successful/unsuccessful Upgrade requests (D-C / C-B1 / C-B2 / B2-A) to be informed of the Committee's decision.

xiv:/xv:) Current R6 Delegate Ian Bodman, has proved totally ineffective. He has not advertised R6 or the EPRA to any effect regarding Exams / Seminars etc. He has, however, advertised the IRO and has also allowed the IRO to use his venue for an Exam / Seminar. Tony Wiltshire (R6) is representing the Region at the Delegates Meeting and EPRA AGM and is interested in taking over the R6 Delegates posts. However, the R6 Members need to be informed and any interested party allowed to apply for the post. Ian Bodman to be informed of the Committee's decision.

xvi:) Martin West (R2) has been acting as Interim R2 Delegate and wishes to continue in the post. R2 Members to be contacted and any interested party allowed to apply for the post.

xvii:) Matthew Burgess has not been available when contact attempted and has not re-affiliated for 2025. Situation to be investigated. Nicky Josselyn is representing R4 at the Delegates Meeting and AGM.

NOTE: Within a couple of days of the Delegates Meeting and EPRA AGM, Correspondence was received from Matthew and he has paid his Membership Fee and wishes to continue as R4 Delegate.

15: SUMMARY OF ACTIONS:

<u>ITEM:</u>	<u>ACTION</u>	<u>RESPONSIBILITY</u>
2(R5)	Email Michael Reece Regarding R5 Delegate position	General Secretary
3	Martin West to be notified re: R2 Examiner status	Exam Secretary
7	To look into Account Management	Treasurer
15:x)	Add to Membership Form - U18's 50% Membership Fee	Membership Secretary
15:xi)	Add D.O.B section to Membership Form	Membership Secretary
15:xii)	Inform Members of Upgrade decisions ('A' to 'S' Grades)	General Secretary
15:xiii)	Inform Members of Upgrade decisions ('D' to 'A' Grades)	General Secretary
15:xiv)	R6 Members to be contacted Re: New Delegate - current Delegate ineffective. (Tony Wiltshire Interim Delegate)	Exam Secretary (Tony Coe)
15:xiv)	Contact Ian Bodman - Not required as R6 Delegate - ineffective	General Secretary
15:xvi)	Contact R2 Members Re: New Delegate - Martin West Interim.	General Secretary
	Investigate Matthew Burgess situation as R4 Delegate	General Secretary

16: MEETING CLOSED:

The Chairman closed the meeting at: **18:55 // 9th February 2025**