

Minutes of the LKA Development Committee 6<sup>th</sup> March 2010

Wimbledon Community Centre

Attendees: Bec, KP (LKA), Nomads, Highbury, Supernova, Woking, West London, Croydon.

1. Apologies received from Bromley and Scorpions. No apologies received from North Downs, Trojans, Mitcham, Pelham.
2. Minutes from the previous meeting  
Woking noted that they had sent apologies for the previous meeting and they had not been recorded in the minutes.

**Actions from the previous meetings**

**LC to follow up on beginner coaches course – CA noted that JH of Tornadoes runs this course.** The meeting discussed the need for a course that would prepare people for coaching juniors. LC to chase up JH of Tornadoes and ask if available on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2010 and if not available to suggest others that could run the course.

**LC to check if LKA development plan is updated**

**LC to follow up on NYD organising committee**

**LC to follow up with LS on progress with coaching courses**

3. Juniors

KP reported that JH had produced a book with junior korfbal training sessions and suggested that LKA purchase copies.

Bec – reported that HT(Bec) is looking to put korfbal into Croydon through SSCO aim is for SSCO's to attend course on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2010.

Action – **LC to put HT in touch with Croydon.**

Croydon – reported that they have a couple of teachers in Epsom who are looking to put teams out for U9s tournament. Trying to run a course at Royal Russell for U9s. KP noted that Royal Russell put korfbal on their prospectus. Croydon run Easter/ Half term courses but these have not been productive for recruiting players. Croydon are looking to bring 2-3 teams of 8 to the U9s tournament on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2010.

Highbury – reported that there are no teachers at Highbury. Have someone who works for Transport for London who goes into schools. Aim to get an U9s for the 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Given work commitments Highbury find it difficult to have people available at 15.00 but have arranged to loan equipment to a church group in Harrow.

Supernova – aim to get a group of people along to NYD as adult helpers and are going to ask if any of SN currently work with juniors.

West London – committee is hard pressed with running the club and don't have anyone at the club who works with juniors. Focus is on developing seniors. Will ask club if anyone will help out at NYD and U9s tournament on 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

Nomads – still have U16s, but lack local competition. U13s have only female players as the boys quit due to lack of competition. Are promoting U12 boys to U13s. Have about 40 kids training regularly. Nomads don't have many U9s but are looking to field a team for the 22<sup>nd</sup> May tournament. Noted that Year 3 are not often invited to sporting events and there is the potential for a good deal of interest. CA recommended that clubs target Y3. Looking to bring 2 teams of 4 for the U9s tournament.

Woking – currently struggling with putting out senior teams. Have been involved with Runnymede youth festival, but attendance was poor last year and it is unknown if it will go ahead. Have tried to get in to schools but don't have people who can go into schools. Did have two schools contact Woking in June/July regarding a sports initiative but nothing has followed as a result. Geographical position is a hinderance. Woking have a teacher in

Isleworth and will put them in contact with West London.

**Action – KP to arrange for poster (A3/A4) and 1/3 A4 leaflet in the same style. Posters to have a box at the bottom to be able to stick a label for club's contact details.**

**Action – CA to ask on Korfbal Forums if there is anyone with Graphic Design experience who can design the leaflet.**

KP – reported that Trojans are using trying to recruit Primary school. Scorpions are actively working with juniors.

U9s tournament – KP reported that they want clubs to put banners up at the tournament and promote themselves. KP looking to put together a LKA banner. CA thought that PT ( Mitcham) printed the banner.

**Action – KP to arrange for a new LKA banner using the new logo to be produced.**

KP reported that there is a new club in Harrow for U16, average age of 14. Nomads said that they would like to play against them. Highbury reported that they would like to play against Harrow as well.

LC noted that clubs have had a lot of success with recruiting parents along with juniors.

It was reported that clubs need to inform KP 1 week before the U9s tournament on 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

#### 4. National Youth Day

Venue for NYD is Sparrows Den (Rugby Club) in West Wickham, 4<sup>th</sup> July 2010. Has a large car park.

It was noted that Nomads tournament is on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June and Croydon's tournament is on June 27<sup>th</sup> 2010 (Thornton Heath Rugby Club) both of which will have junior tournaments.

Club's are encouraged to enter their junior teams to these tournaments.

**Action – CA to provide Nomads' documentation setting out the roles needed for NYD organising committee.**

#### 5. Referees

**Action – LC to find date of practical referee training course and publicise.**

#### 6. Coaching

**Action – LC to ask clubs to provide names and contact details of people who want to attend coaching courses (Level 2, short course Level 2, introduction to coaching juniors).**

KP – reported that LKA coaching courses need to have an opportunity for participants to provide feedback.

The meeting discussed the need for a level 2 course that suited experienced players. It was thought that the Level 2 course should be a series of instructional courses which would be optional. One of these courses should cover general coaching/instruction, health & safety etc and this should be mandatory. Coaches would be assessed at a separate session. KP recommended that the LKA get a dutch coach over to carry out the assessments.

**Action – LC to contact EKA and ask them about LKA's intention to run the short course for level 2.**

#### 7. Senior Recruitment

The meeting discussed the senior outdoor league. Aim is to have a recreational league on the Sundays of 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> September 2010. Plan is to have two competitions a Croydon/Epsom (Trojans, Nomads, North Downs, Croydon, Woking) competition and a Central/West London (Bec, Highbury, West London, Supernova) competition. It was not determined where Mitcham, Pelham or Bromley would play.

West London recommended that the outdoor league has the option for individuals to sign up as with touch rugby. Proposal for the Central/West London competition to be a mono-korf

tournament. KP noted that purpose of competition should be made clear with central/West competition designed to attract new adult players. Proposal is to have a single venue for the competition – propose Central/West London competition to be at Clapham Common. Nomads/Woking will host the other competition on alternate weekends. It was decided that the games should not start too early, with 11.00 the recommended earliest kick off. The Central/West London should be centrally organised. Should get an article in the Metro/Evening Standard. To be discussed in detail at the next meeting.

8. AOB

Woking asked about where to get information on foreign tournaments - there are tournaments on the Korfbal Forums website.

Highbury – reported that they are having problems with teams not showing up and being threatened with their venue banning them from making block bookings.

Croydon asked Supernova about the date of the companies tournament – reported that the date is not known.

9. Date of the next meeting – proposed 19<sup>th</sup> June 2010. LC to copy in club secretaries in invites.