# Goalball UK Competition Committee – Agenda

Thursday 26th August 2021, 6.30pm (Conference Call)

In attendance: Alex Bunney (AB), Tom Dobson (TD), Dina Murdie (DM), Dyfrig Lewis-Smith (DLS), Dani Dillon (DD), Paul Holloway (PH), Sarah Leiter (SL), Sammie Korosi (SK), Kate Coghlan (KC).

## Welcome & Apologies

DM opened the meeting at 6.30pm.

## Return to Play Update

2.1 Covid-19 Competition Measures

The committee discussed and confirmed the measures for the start of the season, 25th September 2021. Full details will be shared with teams at the pre-season meeting (1st September 2021) and by email before each competition day or weekend. The measures will also be reviewed after each competition.

## Competition Plans

3.1 Venues Update

TD confirmed all Intermediate (North and South) and Elite Super League venues are booked. Seven of the nine required Novice venues are booked, the remaining two are subject to site visits. Intermediate Trophy and Novice Shield venue options are still being pursued.

TD and AB are now also beginning work to secure venues in the key locations for the 2022/23 season.

3.2 Entries Update

TD confirmed the North and South Intermediate Leagues both have nine teams entered. The Elite Super League also has nine teams entered. Entries are currently open for the first round of regional novice tournaments. The committee are pleased with the entry numbers so far based on the changes to the structure and the impact of COVID-19.

* 1. Scheduling Update

AB confirmed due to COVID-19 cleaning requirements an additional date has been added to both the Intermediate North (13th March 2022) and South (8th May 2022) Leagues to ensure all the matches can be played at 8minute halves. These dates were added to already existing Matchdays to limit the impact on the published calendar.

The committee confirmed the qualification spots for the National Finals as:

* 2 per region at Novice (6 teams)
* 2 per region at Intermediate (4 teams)
* 4 from the national Elite region (4 teams)

Teams will be officially informed before 25th September (start of the season). The planed schedule for the National Finals also allows for women exhibition games if required.

* 1. IBSA European A and 6th and 7th November 2021 Elite Matchday Weekend

The committee discussed back-up plans for the potential clash of the European A Championships and the first Elite Matchday weekend 6th and 7th November 2021. The committee awaits official confirmation from IBSA before making a decision. All Elite teams have been notified of the possibility of a change of date.

## Updates

4.1 Complaints Procedure

AB confirmed the Complaints Procedure is now live on the Goalball website under the rules and regulations page.

## Issues received to the CC

TD confirmed one player rating enquiry is ongoing from the last meeting.

1. **Event Staff / Coordinators**

The committee discussed the potential options for recruiting part time event staff / coordinators to support competitions from a Goalball UK staff delivery point of view. AB to discuss further internally with Goalball UK colleagues and seek further input from the committee.

## Date of next meeting (TD)

Wednesday 27th October 2021, 6.30pm, via Zoom.

## AOB (ALL)

None.

Document Ends.