# Proposal 1 Trevor Blower

Relating to the Cumbria Individuals

We go back to 2 sections, Major and Minor.
The Minor goes back to grade 130 max
The Bob Greenhaugh Trophy goes back to Grade 100 max

The reasons for them are that we usually only have 40-50 entrants, which does not justify 3 sections and has a 3 way split of prize money.

# Proposal 2 Bill Henderson

Proposals to tidy up potential anomalies in the Constitution relating to the definition of New Players in section 4(1)(b):

1) A "new" player is deemed to be one who has never been registered with their home countries chess federation or any other chess federation.

i.e.A Spanish player who has been registered in Spain or Argentina (extreme example) is deemed not to be a new player and therefore must be registered with both the E.C.F. and County Chess Association before playing in County Competitions.

An exception being County events which are "open" competitions. Here players do not have to be members of the Cumbria County Chess Association i.e. South Lakes Congress.

A player who meets the criteria of being classed as a "new" player may play two games which are deemed to be "free" in County Leagues or Whitaker trophy.

Once they have played these two games they must, if they wish to participate in future County Competitions, be registered with both the County Chess Association and the E.C.F. being no longer deemed to be a new player.

2) Players registered with the E.C.F. from outside of the County must nevertheless be registered with the County Chess Association before participating in either the County League or Whitaker Trophy.

#### Proposal 3 Mark Mallard

If a team does not wish to play on the fixture date and if the match is played after the fixture date then the other team has the option of making the match a 3 board match with no points scored for the fourth board by either side.

Note - most of our matches this season had to be rescheduled even though we had full teams available on the fixture date. In the end we did not play all our matches due to teams being unable to raise a full team.

# Proposal 4

#### George Horne

From the 2013 CCA AGM; that the amendment (3) to proposal (2) be written into the constitution.

2) From Dave Cole (Barrow) – that new players may choose to have a two game waiver before becoming members of Cumbria Chess. In the event of Cumbria confirming compulsory ECF membership, this would only apply to "Cumbria only" members and the club, county or player would

need to cover the game fees due;- This was discussed, but applied to all players. (see next amendment).

(3) From Mark Mallard (SASRA) – an amendment to the above proposal if passed; that it should apply to all players and not just new ones;- Discussed along with above point and decided that the rule should relate to all players. To clarify, a player who plays more than 2 games is required to become an ECF member.

## Proposal (5) George Horne

In the League and Whitaker competitions that a team is allowed to have a 5 point leeway on a players grade in positioning a player in board order in matches

#### Proposal 6 David Shaw

3.e should saye AGM shall be held when organised by the County Secretary"......Last sentence should read "At least 6 weeks notice of the date, and at least 2 weeks notice of agenda and venue shall be given to all members through the Club Secretaries and the Cumbria web site.

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3.1 As far as ppssible records should be held digitally and maintained by the web controller.

Records are much more secure in digital format. I am not sure if older data coucanld be converted or not.

#### Proposal 7 David Shaw

Open League

Remove 2 a

I don't think anybody would want the Open League to be split into 2 sections.

### Proposal 8 David Shaw

**Player Eligibility** 

Remove 2 c and remove first part of 2 d

A player will be allowed to play for another club in the same league, but not more than 3 games if the player has played 4 games for another team. A lot of clubs are struggling to get teams together. We need to do all we can to help.

# Proposal 9 David Shaw

Fixtures

2 g The match should be played within 3 weeks and 1 day of the fixture date. eg if the fixture is on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month the last day the game can be played is the 4th Saturday.

It may be nice to play games on the fixture date, but I think this would be restrictive to clubs with more than 1 team. Happy to receive amenmdments to alter the number of weeks. This would be used in conjunction with 2 h

3c & d for the Whitaker would be the same.

#### Proposal 10 David Shaw

Results

2 p Both teams should inform the League Controller of a match result as soon as possible after the match, same day if possible.

## Proposal 11 David Shaw

Penalties

The League Controller has the power to default and impose a penalty of up to the maximum points available for a match ( at the moment that is 6 ) on teams who do not follow the rules, do not participate in the competitive spirit of the game, or bring the game into disrepute.