



14 May 2010

Dear County Chairman

At the last Shareholders meeting we asked for feedback on three separate issues. We are writing to remind you of the timeframe for your feedback and whom you should send that feedback to.

1. Constitution of the Board and the Standing Committees

This issue is detailed in the minutes of the March 2010 Shareholders meeting. Please send your feedback to us **by the end of May 2010**. Please address it to governance@ebu.co.uk. Alternatively if you do not have access to email address it to Governance, EBU, Broadfields, Bicester Road, Aylesbury, Bucks, HP19 8AZ.

2. Representation and Voting

We distributed a paper on the above subject at the Shareholders meeting and we need your feedback by December 2010. The issues are as follows:

At the County Chairmen's Conference, the Board reported the results of its investigation in to the best form of representation for the membership as stated in its business strategy plan Bidding for the Future. The idea of giving clubs some sort of direct vote was floated and discussed. It was decided that this issue was best handled by a consultation through the Counties to the Clubs. Knowing the diversity of Counties, the Board does not want to be too prescriptive but would offer the following suggestions:

1. During this consultation, counties will be able to describe to the clubs their current role in the EBU and it should stimulate debate as to whether one member one vote should continue at county level, as now, or whether clubs would prefer to opt for a direct say in the governance of the EBU through say c) below.
2. The discussion should include the fact that from later this year, the EBU's Club Committee will have representatives elected to Regional Committees and this in itself should bring increased representation to clubs. Consideration of how this change might affect the club/county interface would be useful.

Whilst we would not rule out any particular governance structure at this juncture, we would ask the counties to consider the following options and consult with their clubs on this basis:

- a) Leaving the current system unchanged
- b) Strengthening the current system in some way (e.g. Shareholder's elected by County AGM's, more visits to clubs by Shareholders)
- c) Clubs to have a direct vote (postal or electronic) but only on the election of the EBU's Officers, Directors and Members of Standing Committees. On all other voting issues the current system of Shareholder votes at General Meetings would continue.

3. We would be grateful for a single e-mail response from each County to governance@ebu.co.uk by **mid December 2010**.



3. MasterPoint and Licensing Feedback

We announced a review of these Regulations, by 1 April 2011, taking into account experience from Universal Membership. We need your input so please share your experiences with us and specifically give us your opinions on the following:

- Allowing Counties to make their events open to any EBU member if they so wish
- Whether competitors playing in County competitions should be subject to a P2P charge and if so, to what extent
- Further tightening up the regulations and conditions applying to non-EBU members entering County and Club events
- Whether County K/O events should be subject to a P2P fee and how much that fee should be

Please send your feedback **by the end of September 2010** to Max@ebu.co.uk or if you do not have access to email please send your letter MP and Licensing Feedback at the EBU as above.

EBU Board

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