VERWOOD BOWLING CLUB

MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT MEETING

Monday 18th November 2019

President Pat opened the meeting at 10.00am & welcomed new members to the Committee. Sue Holt, Jim Scutt, Mal Hancock & Eileen Wood

Apologies: Vanessa Curtis & Barry Chick.

Minutes: Unfortunately minutes were not produced from the last management meeting.

Matter Arising: None.

Correspondence: A note of thanks from Nickolas O'Hara thanking the club for donations for Alan Hawkins, Barry Tapp. A Note of thanks received from June Hawkins.

Reports:

Secretary:

Alice informed the meeting she is not a secretary therefore the minutes could be a problem. She does the minutes for the ladies meetings but considered them domestic; the management committee meeting minutes are official.

Captain Phillip & Vice- Captain Mal Hancock attended both the New Forest Men's AGM & Bowls Dorset. Alice joined them for the Bowls Dorset meeting.

Treasurer:

Each committee member was given a statement; he remarked most of it was self explanatory, (ie) green contractor for scarifying the green, building work, tree felling.

Affiliation fees were paid to New Forest BA, Bowls Dorset, and Bournemouth & District BA

Over the last few months Peter has been putting together a Fire Procedure. He is hoping it will be ready for the next committee meeting.

Two new warning signs for the club house have been purchased.

When all the necessary work is completed he will have a last meeting with the Fire Officer (Martin).

The Fire Extinguishers have been serviced.

Insurance renewal forms have been received.

The £76.40 refundable from BT is yet to be received.

Notice from John Lewis of an increase for the phone (£3) which we purchased three months ago. Peter managed to get the amount reduced to £1.

Two requests the first to allow £30 to be sent to the Everett's who are holders of the club keys, also McMillan Carers Locally on behalf of Anne Jennings.(£20)

Captain:

New Forest:

Two teams (men's) have been entered for the coming season Divisions 4/5.

Change of League Rules Triples: The arrangements for teams with one player short (they will play with 6 woods). The team with the full compliment will bowl (with 9 woods). There will be no deduction.

No increase of fees for the coming year.

Alice informed the committee she was given a copy of The New Forest Bowling Association 2019 Club Directory. Four copies were given out at their Council meeting. As the clubs are now holding their AGM's the associations will be up dating and sending out copies of club officers details for 2019/2020. Please make sure the secretary gets all copies.

Bowls Dorset: Their new Web site should be up & running before the start of the coming season.
The minimum age to play in the 'Percy Baker' is now 60.
The Bowls Dorset Official Year Books for 2020 has been ordered.

Vice-Captain: Nothing further to add.

Match Secretary:
Prior to the meeting Vanessa had sent out the copies of VBC 2020 Provisional Diary to the committee. There was a discussion with everyone joining in it was impossible to hear who was talking. There are so many suggested dates that will need to be change, also questions to be answered. The only person who can answer them is Vanessa. It was agreed that Pat & Alice meet with Vanessa. Then a full list of dates should be finalised. A note has been made of all the dates suggested by the committee and will be forwarded to Vanessa to act upon.

Competition Secretary:
No report.

Ladies Section:
Bournemouth & District:
There is new Triples League next season. We will be putting in one team. If we have any problems we will come out of the Edna Paisley.
Ladies (5) in number went to the New Forest Presidents lunch.

Green Ranger:
It was put to the meeting that a considerable amount of money will have to be spent on the green over 3 Years, £110 over a 10 month period. This will be a big commitment for the clubs working teams with jobs that have to be done on regular bases such as scarifying, slitting & mowing over the next three years. Mike will ask Steve to put the job into his diary and start the job as soon as possible.
Mike put to the meeting that as he only had two games as a reserve in the league last season, he asked for his subscription to be refunded (£110) and put into the Presidents charity. A number of suggestions were put forward, with the acceptable one being the club will put £110 into the Presidents charity.

Membership:
Three forms had been received for social membership.

Publicity: Nothing to report.

Social:
Eileen will complete and send in the form to book a Stall for the Rustic Fair in September.

Sub Committee:
Shirt & Badge:
Barry held a meeting for the men to see the new coloured shirt & badge.
Robert said originally the subcommittee 5 out of 8 members voted against, even so the other 3 just went ahead and produced the sample which had not been seen or agreed upon by management, this should have been their first step. The question asked, what was the point in having a subcommittee, the constitution states it should have been headed by the president or his or her nominee? The constitution, states any change to the dress code must be agreed by management. It was agreed that the men certainly needed a change in their dress.
Phillip said the men who saw the shirt & badge at their meeting were all very impressed.
He also said the men are collecting names for an EGM.

The dress for the ladies will stay the same (white) with the badge slightly larger with the lettering in dark blue.
When a mixed friendly is played both men & women should be dress the same.
It was put to the meeting that if a vote is taken at any meeting all fully paid up members of the club will have a vote. (Including women) Peter disagreed with this.
There seemed no end to the discussion which went on and on with no end in sight it was agreed that Barry and Vanessa be asked to bring the shirt & badge to the next management meeting to be held on 13th January.

Sub Committee:
Facilities:
Headed by the President
It was said a number of people want to move forward and improve areas around the green. This committee suggesting taking down the old equipment shed and purchase a new one which will be sited by the back gate.
They all agreed the shed that fit our needs is galvanised, price £549 plus a base. The estimated amount of £1000.
One comment made is it strong enough, a question of insurance was also noted.
When it is agreed they will take down the old shed and the cut the hedge back. In the long term that space should make a pleasant patio area.
The storage tank & pump will not be moved.
Running a cable for electricity will be too expensive. The equipment used for the green is not electric run.
It was agreed that there will be further considerable cost to improve the site. In fact they were told they could even get a more expensive and stronger shed.
Robert & Mike were asked to take on the job of looking and pricing other sheds and come back to the next committee with fact & figures.
All items before being purchased should be brought to the management committee for agreement.
Phillip told the meeting he wants to go ahead a purchased some composite boards as some could need replacing during the season.

Any Other Business:
Alice asked who has the original constitution because it needs to be updated. A number of the committee have copies all with different dates.

Meeting closed 1.00pm Date if next meeting 13th January 2020