VERWOOD BOWLS CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING
held 10am Monday, 1st April 2019 at the Clubhouse

Present : Robert Wood (President), Roger Bassett (Secretary), Peter Coleman (Treasurer), Norman Pearce (Membership Secretary), Dan Ferguson, Pat Allington (Ladies Captain), Alice Bulley (Ladies Secretary), Mike Daymond (Men's Captain), Angela Daymond (Publicity/Minutes), Barry Chick (Competitions Secretary), Mike Allington (Green Ranger), Phil Prince (Vice Captain) Apologies : Vanessa Curtis (Match Secretary)

1.	**Minutes of the Previous Meeting**	Action
	Acceptance proposed by Norman Pearce, 2nd Mike Daymond and agreed.	
2.	**Matters Arising**	
a)	Fixtures Sheet – needs amending – Robert will contact Vanessa. Men's match dates – now complete.	RW
b)	Telephone Charge – Peter reported that the monthly charge is £30 with a £3 charge for a paper invoice, totalling £93 per quarter. There is an extra charge for mobile numbers. Peter will look into an answerphone service via BT 1571 – as all calls are included in our fee, calls could be left to go into answerphone if there was no one immediately available to answer it, i.e. during matches.	PC
c)	Name Badges – Norman is looking at name badges for members; Roger has prepared temporary badges for the Open Days.	NP
d)	Website – Phil will get in touch with Geoff Symonds	PP/RB
e)	New Member Leaflets – Vanessa will update for 2019.	VC
f)	Loft Lighting – on Norman's schedule after doing the exterior lighting.	NP
3.	**Correspondence**	
	Arrives by email and Roger forwards to appropriate people. Noted there were publicity opportunities for Bowls Dorset via a new initiative. Alice had brought books about the leagues for the Captains and Club premises.	
4.	**Treasurer's Report**	
	Gill Farrance acknowledged her returned membership fee and O'Hara's the donation in relation to the late Jean Kirby. Beetle Drive raised £86, raffle £141; Betty had donate £429 from the whist drives and Chris Gould £131 from the short mat bowls. Roger asked about starting short mat bowls once the outdoor season finishes. Green Maintenance £287 is for seed, feed and lawn sand; equipment £33 is for a chisel and point bar needed for installation of new boards. Building expenses refers to outside lighting. Miscellaneous is the cost of engraving the Presidents Bar on the chain of office. Currently income exceeds expenditure by £1,370.	
5.	**Membership Secretary**	
	Ten new members since the last meeting, making a total of 88, but only 38 playing members. Noman will provide Eileen with the list to enable her to prepare the cleaning rota. Norman is preparing the Green Diary. Proposed Norman Pearce, 2nd Mike Allington and agreed that Past Secretary, Geoff Finn be made an Honorary Member which will be awarded at the AGM. Norman will prepare a certificate.	NP
6.	**Competition Secretary**	
	Details complete and Barry is preparing the match sheets for the noticeboard and the website. The Reg Hurford Competition had been missing from the Members' Application Form but an entry form will be displayed at the Clubhouse nearer the time.	BC

7.	**Match Secretary**	
	Vanessa provided a written report detailing Open Days, Monday Improvers and Friendly Matches which was circulated. Mike Daymond, as Men's Captain, would contact Mr & Mrs Dooley and invite them to the Opening Day's play – Roger to provide contact details. As experienced players they were eligible for leagues and It was explained that they and other new members could go on the reserve list for any competitions as these are now finalised. There would be a novices competition for the very new players.	MD / RB
8.	**Men's Captain**	
	B&D had provided a Review Questionnaire; responses were discussed and Mike Daymond will pass on the information.	
9.	**Ladies Section**	
	Ladies would be affiliated to the B&D even though they were not taking part this year. There was the prospect of a new Triples league in 2020. Edna Paisley would be 9 teams in 2 leagues, East and West. Alice expected to receive information in May as to when Verwood would be expected to provide a Vice President for the New Forest League. There was a reluctance for the role amongst the current membership.	
10.	**Green Matters**	
	Mike Allington reported that seed and lawn sand had been applied and the green scarified; Dan would be preparing the rink markers. A valve had jammed on the sprinkler system which meant that water had run for 24 hours; now fixed by contractor. Currently only John Maskell and Mike Allington were cutting the grass. The cost of a new 2m wide squeegee will be provided next meeting. Phil explained that it was likely that two more green edging boards would need to be replaced before the end of the season – Mike will buy some boards from Bradfords in case needed. Mike is concerned about how long the pegs holding up the new boards will last. Phil explained how composite stakes could be used.	DF MA MA
11.	**Publicity**	
	Forest FM interview – *POST MEETING : Robert unable to do Forest FM interview due to operation, so Angela & Mike will deputise and notify Forest FM.* Barry agreed to put the Opening Day and Open Days for beginners on Verwoodians Facebook site. Angela's new email : angela.daymond44@gmail.com. Norman had printed off posters for the noticeboards at the Club gate and outside the Post Office.	AD AD
12.	**AOB**	
a)	Men's Meeting – Monday, 15th April 6pm at the Clubhouse. Mike D will issue the information to playing members.	MD
b)	Old photos – Pat reported that she and Eileen had discovered some framed historic Bowls Club photos in the loft and suggested they should be displayed. To be looked into.	PA/EW
c)	Gate padlock – Some members having difficulty with the current padlock; Mike D to investigate a new one with several duplicate keys.	MD
d)	Wi-Fi – Mike D suggested it would be beneficial if the Club had wi-fi. Peter will investigate the cost.	PC

Meeting closed 11.53 am

DATE OF NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING : MONDAY, 6th May 2019 at 10am