VERWOOD BOWLING CLUB

MINUTES OF MANAGEMENT MEETING
10th February 2020 9.30am

President Pat opened the meeting at 9.45am

Apologies:
Mal Hancock - Sue Holt.

Minutes:
It was agreed the minutes from the meeting held Monday 13th January 2020 were signed as a true record.

Matter Arising:
Expenses: lead should read led - John Lewis should read BT.
Match Secretary: perk should read peak
Shirt & Badge: members should read various members.

Correspondence:
From Mrs S Holt:
I am sorry but I am handing in my notice to resign from the committee, over the 'uniform'.
Having never sat on a committee before, I don't think it is for me, especially when the committee, ignores its members feelings & votes.
I shall continue to support & play at Verwood Bowl's club in my own way.
Kind regards
Sue.

From Mr & Mrs B Hall
Hi Pat – I am mailing you to let you know that Brenda and I have decided not to renew our memberships of the bowls club. There is no ill feeling. We just feel that it is time to move on and pursue other interests.
This does of course raise the issue of myself being the Trustee and also the coordinator for the defibrillator.
I have studied the documents relating to the trusteeship and I can find nothing that stipulates that a Trustee is obliged to be a club member.
If it is the Management Committee's wish that they would like me to continue with those undertakings, I am quite happy to do so.
I have no doubt that you will wish to consult the committee on these matters.
With best wishes- Brian
The Management Committee agrees Mr B. Hall retains his position of Trustee and Coordinator for the defibrillator.

Reports:
Secretary:
Verwood men are not entering the B&DBA league.
The question was asked could anyone advise the secretary how, when or if she will be receiving paper work regarding affiliation to Bournemouth & District BA & New Forest BA.
B&DBA have a new award for recognition of an outstanding bowls member. The poster & entry form were given to the men's Captain.
The county coaching teams are available to visit clubs, be it for an individual or a group (£3 pp).
A list of Managers of Bowls Dorset & all Dorset Bowling clubs details as at January 2020 were given to the captain and are also available at the club.
Poole Parks 55th Open bowls tournament 19th -24th July 2020.

Treasurer:
Comments regarding this period's transactions are as follows.
Income:

1. Burns Night produced £135 plus £70 from the Raffle on the night.
2. A very healthy £150 from Short Mat through December 2019

Expenditure:

1. £205 Green Maintenance – Mainly replacement battens for the perimeter of the green.
2. £70 Miscellaneous – Two Kettles £40 and New Bowlers Booklets £30

Current year expenditure exceeds income by £1,946

Captain:
Phillip is hopeful there will be enough men to cover the leagues.
The New Forest league, a change has been made – one team will now play at home the other away.

Vice-Captain: None.

Match secretary:
Each committee member was given an updated fixture list dated 9th February.
Men's league's fixtures are complete. Ladies NF fixtures have been received B&D as it's a new league it could take two weeks. Edna Paisley fixtures will be given to Vanessa if after the Ladies Spring Meeting they decide to remain with this league.
Open days will be 2 week-end Saturdays & Sunday mornings. A list is on the notice board of dates for members who can assist at these sessions. Vanessa will explain to these members before the day on how she intends working these mornings. The only playing on the green will be members who are waiting to work with the visitors.
Vanessa will order 12 leather Score card holders from Henselite, green in colour with Verwood B.C. printed on a metal strip then attach to the front cover. (Price £12)
Mike made a point that money have never been refused at these meetings.
Vanessa asks that all possible new bowlers and experience bowlers must go through her before going onto the green.
There followed a lengthy discussion regarding the dress code for social bowling (smart casual).

- At this point the President read out the following statement..

At the AGM Mike Daymond put forward a proposition for all club members roll ups to be played in smart/casual wear. It was seconded by Fred Vick and went through unanimously. I then said that anything on the fixture list should be formal wear, I was really referring to leagues and friendly's I didn't realise the Wednesday and Friday social bowling would be on there so that was an error on my behalf. Now we have to decide what constitutes as club roll ups because quite a few members are upset to think they need to wear formal for social bowls (as it is called on the fixture list), I personally can't see what hardship it is wearing greys but that's just me, what I don't want is for the club to be split which I feel it will as those who want smart/casual for social bowls will form their own roll ups and not support formal social bowls. There are at least 9 people that I know off that feel this way, so I feel as President it would be in the interest of the club to let the social bowls be smart/casual. So without any further discussion I will ask each one of you just to say yes you agree to smart/casual or no you don't. **Carried (Smart/casual for social bowling)**

- *When playing a mixed friendly both men & women will wear white.*
- The men's colour shirts are only worn when playing in leagues.

Competition Secretary:
He has not decided how to draw the competitions. It all depends on numbers.
The Novices Open Singles competition is open to all members who have never won a Singles Competition (final).

Ladies **Section:**
Alice & Jane attended the Bournemouth & District WBA council meeting on 7th February.
Bournemouth & Districts new Triples League is up and running. Twenty teams have been entered in the triples; twenty-eight teams are staying in rinks. The fixtures will not be available for at least two weeks.
The ladies committee are not sure whether we will have sufficient ladies to cover playing three days a week
We are arranging a ladies lunch 1st April at Crane Valley Golf **Club.**

Green Ranger:
The padlock for the shed has been used as a hammer and has to be replaced..
There will still be two working parties Monday & Tuesday morning.
The green will be cut on a Monday Wednesday & Friday and occasionally Saturday.
Mike thanked the social ladies for the lunch in appreciation of all the time & effect they put into the green.

Membership/Annual subscription:
A Coffee Morning was held for collection of this year's subscription on Saturday 8th February.
There were 21 full playing members 8 ladies & 13 men/19 social members who signed in.
The Haxby-Thompson was transferring their subscription.
Norman has updated the membership forms and destroyed the old one.
With the agreement of the management committee Norman will send out a form to members who have yet to join.

Publicity:
Vanessa pointed out as we have Open Days coming up we need poster put around the village.
She has offered to design & print a number of copies. Committee members have offered to distribute then around the village. Hopefully we can get onto Forest FM. Vanessa will get in touch with Angela; she is due back 6th March. It was remarked that Angela had resigned from Publicity.

Shirt & Badge:
Twelve coloured shirts in various sizes 4 medium, 4 large & 4 X-large have been ordered and kept in store.
To reorder the minimum order is 10.
Cost of coloured shirt & embroidered badge is £24.
Embroidered Cloth badges will be ordered through a company in Ferndown the minimum order is 100.
Vanessa will place the first order for 150; the cost to members will be £2.50 each.

Social:
- Permission was given to have the Club carpet cleaned.
- Gardens: Jim & Hillary will plant the baskets. Jim has purchased new baskets, the club will reimburse him.
- Gill Thomas has agreed to plant the two large boxes.
- We will not be taking on a stall at the Rustic Fayre in September.
- Only instant coffee will be available at the clubhouse. Percolated Coffee will not be served.
- Biscuits will always be offered with tea or coffee. The price will stay at 50p.
- At special events an entry fee may be charged, a proportion of which will be paid to Eileen through the Catering Account, the rest being paid into VBC funds.

Any Other Business:

- **Winter Evening Events:** The cloakroom floors have become damp and slippery due to condensation & pose a risk to members. The men will investigate whether the doors can be left open (without lights remaining on) when the clubhouse is not in use.
- **Outside light:** Norman to adjust the setting.
- **Entrance to the Site:** No action to be taken.
- **Safeguarding:** Vanessa has the require policy and a copy will be publicised at the club. Members should be aware that we are all expected to be responsible of the safety and well-being of each other while at the club. We need to remember that vulnerable adults visit to play bowls on a Friday morning but they as are accompanied by a qualified supervision, we are not directly responsible.
- **Fire Precautions:** A notice concerning emergency exit will be put on the notice boards. Peter suggested Fire Extinguisher training be given along with Defibrillator Training,
- **Website:** Annual rental £79 has been renewed for the domain name. After discussion it was agreed to pay £60 for increased data and reassure members about safe access to the website
- **Presidents Charity:** Will be included in future account.
- **Rollators on the greens:** Jim queried the acceptance by clubs of his rollator on their green for league games. Phillip & Vanessa will contact the league organisers to ensure that clubs need not be notified for each match.
- **Facilities Proposed Shed:** The shed will be ordered once the better weather arrives and the base can be laid. Working parties will be required for the base construction and shed delivery.

Meeting closed 12 45pm. Date of next meeting 10.00am 23rd March 2020

Signature: Date: