

Yealmpton Bowling Club

Minutes of Management Committee Meeting held at the Clubhouse on 21 February 2019

Present : Pat Blake (President), Colin Burgess (Chairman), Mark Pope (Green Marshall), John Osborne (Treasurer), Mike Hexter (Fixture Secretary), Roy Holland (Club Captain), Colin George (Match Secretary), Judy Smith (Ladies Secretary), Bob Smith (Club Secretary).

Colin thanked all Officers for attending & for their work for the Club

1. Apologies.

No apologies, all Officers present

2. Minutes of Management Meeting.....

held on 11 October 2018 were agreed.

3. Matters Arising.

The proposal by Pat for a historic Honours Board was being pursued by Bob; there were a number of options being considered..

4. Secretary's Report.

Annual signed statements by all members were required under the new GDP Regulations; Bob would produce a form to be signed by members when they rejoin each year.

Bowls England require all Clubs to have a Safeguarding Officer & a Safeguarding Policy (draft prepared). Request for a volunteer Officer would be made at the Spring Meeting.

There was a number of jobs required around the site & Bob would arrange a work day.

The collection made in lieu of Christmas cards raised £78 which was donated to the Shekinah Mission, the Charity selected by the President.

5. Treasurer's Report.

John had taken over the duties of Treasurer and reported a healthy balance in the bank £10,600. It was agreed that membership fees would remain the same this year (£88).

6. Fixture Secretary's Report.

Fixtures Booklets are with John to distribute at the Spring Meeting.

Open Day Saturday 13th April

Closing Day Sunday 29th September this provides a 24 week season.

Opening day in the 2020 Season was more difficult since the Easter Bank Holiday falls on Friday 10th to Monday 13th April. It was agreed that for the 2020 season the start date would be Saturday 4th April with a "Roll up" on Saturday 11th April and the closing date would be Sunday 4th October,

This year we are hosting the Devon Presidents Mixed Team (6 rinks) on 6th June and also the Devon Patrons Mixed Team (5 Rinks) on 24th June. Bob said he had suggested to Bowls Devon that Marcia be presented with her Merit Award at the Presidents match; a response is awaited from Bowls Devon Lady President.

It has proved impossible to arrange all 23 Mixed Friendlies without some only having 3 or 4 days gap, due to other commitments

7. Match Secretary's Report.

Colin George expressed concern over the difficulties of getting men members to play in League matches & intended to raise this issue at the Spring Meeting.

He noted that there were few fixtures after mid August & it was agreed to look at ways of arranging matches over that period.

8. Green Marshall's Report.

Mark said repairs had been carried out to the bare patches and general maintenance had continued over the winter. Preparation work for the new season was planned and would welcome any volunteers to help.

9. Competition Committee.

Bob to arrange an early meeting of the Competitions Committee to plan for next years competitions. A proposal had been received for a new competition and this would be considered. They would also consider ways of utilising the green over late August & September.

10. Ladies Secretary's Report.

The Ladies P&D matches & other County Games have now been agreed.

The Ladies County Competitions have been quite difficult this year as the Majors will be played on a "play-by- date". The Minor competitions are being played over two days as usual and we are hosting the Over 70's pairs and the Ben Trips in July.

Judy had received advice on visually impaired players and this would be placed on the notice board for all to see.

11. Club Captain.

Roy said this would be his last year as Club Captain and thanked all those who had assisted & supported him.

As last years Christmas Dinner was such a success Roy volunteered to arrange the same for 2019.

12. Spring Meeting

The Spring Meeting would be held at 2pm on Thursday 21 March and the Agenda was agreed.

AOB.

- Colin would raise Markers Dress Code at Spring Meeting. Current Rules are silent on this matter.
- It was discussed whether raffle tickets should be sold individually rather than in strips, which was misrepresentation.
- It was agreed that the planned Management Meeting on 10 October would start at 2pm, not 1030am.
- It was agreed that the "Small Order charge" of £6.00 per shirt now levied on Club shirts would be funded by the Club on the first shirt bought by new members.
- It was agreed that a Website Report item should be added to the Agenda template of Spring Meetings, AGMs & Management Meetings.

- It was agreed that in the future, an extra Management Meeting would be held annually in September to arrange key dates for the next 12 Months. This would help the Fixture Secretary as well as Officers in planning.
- After the success of last year, Don & Roseann would be asked to run the bar again.

Bob Smith
Secretary
October 2018