

Yealmpton Bowling Club

Minutes of Spring Meeting held at the Clubhouse on Thursday 21 March 2019 at 1400 hours.

Chairman's Introduction

Colin opened the meeting and thanked members for attending and also thanked those who had helped at the Club over the last year.

1. Apologies.

Keith Marshall, John Hockaday, Don & Roseann Burridge, Olive Hudson, Anthony Benham, Derek Counter, Bernard Menzies, Viv Marsden, Yvette Steward, Mel Eglinton, Alan Lowe, Hedley Hunter, Dave & Therese Brenton.

2. Minutes

Acceptance of the minutes of 2018 Spring Meeting was proposed by Fred Lewis & seconded by Colin Burgess.

3. Matters Arising.

Bob mentioned that the Bowls Devon proposals to change the method for achieving the County Badge had been voted down.

4. Secretary's Report.

The cleaning rota has been placed on the Notice Board.

Diaries & the Bowls Devon Year Book have been received.

For those who had ordered new shirts, Bob was awaiting delivery.

Bowls Devon had confirmed that GDPR forms did not now need to be signed each year.

£78 had been collected in lieu of cards last Christmas & had been donated too the Shekinah Mission, a Charity selected by the Club President.

Bob said that the cost of initial proposal for an historic Honours Board was prohibitive and was looking at alternatives.

A proposed Young & Vulnerable Persons Safeguarding Policy was on the Club Notice Board & a volunteer Welfare Officer was required. (After the meeting Debbie Taylor had volunteered).

A new membership list would be produced after 1 May, the last day for re-joining. In accordance with the GDPR only names and telephone numbers would be shown, together with emergency contact numbers where these had been supplied.

Volunteers were required to help prepare the site for the new season. This would be held next Thursday morning, 28 March.

5. Treasurer's Report.

John thanked Marcia for the efficient handover. He reported there was £9500 in the bank account.

6. Captain's Report.

Roy thanked everyone for supporting the Christmas Dinner; there was a total of 49 attendees. The occasion was used for presentation of club competition trophies.

Roy hoped that more people would put their names down for matches this season, especially for the men's league games, but also some mixed friendlies.

There was 25 mixed friendly matches arranged, with 16 at home & 9 away.

Responsibility for the tea rota had been taken over by Annette and would be placed on the notice board in due course.

7. Fixture Secretary's Report.

John reported that the Fixture Lists had been printed and delivered.

8. Lady Secretary's Report.

The Ladies County Competitions has a different format this year : an information sheet has been prepared.

There is an advisory poster regarding visually impaired players on the notice board.

There are several events which we will be catering for:

- Thursday 25th April - the Trish Lintern Trophy;
- Thursday 6 June – the Devon Presidents;
- Monday 24 June - the Patrons.

The latter 2 are both mixed games and help is required for managing the teas, from both men and ladies. The Ladies fixture sheets are different this year to save phone calls; there is a column for names when not available.

As there is no Ladies Vice Captain this year there will be a Captain of the Day - an information sheet will be issued.

Cleaning day is on Wednesday 10th April at 9.30am, Judy requested that members take plates, cutlery home for washing prior to the cleaning day.

A volunteer is required for Housekeeping duties (after the meeting Annette & Debbie agreed to take this on).

Yealmpton have entered the Inter Club this year and drawn Tavistock. This is to be played on June 5th Finally there will be a ladies roll up on Wednesday 17th April at 2pm, so that we can get some practice in before our match with Ivybridge, all ladies are welcome to attend.

9. Green Marshall's Report.

Mark said the green was in good condition following the maintenance work over the winter. The green team would be working on the green over the next few weeks to get it ready for Opening Day on 13 April.

He would welcome new volunteers for the green team.

10. Match Secretary's Report.

Colin reported that the sheets for the first few games had been placed on the notice board, and emphasised the need for more members to put their name down for selection.

The matches in the Foxlands & Top Club (both against Mount Gold) had been agreed

11. Competition Committee Report.

Sheets for all Club competitions had been placed on the Notice Board; most would be taken down on 5 May followed by a Committee meeting on 9 May to complete the draws.

The draw for the Ashcroft Shield would be held immediately prior to Club night on last Friday in July.

The final is on Sunday 15 September and it was proposed to hold a BBQ after, as last year.

The Competition Committee would now be responsible for those roll up matches that were not League matches or Mixed Friendlies. These will include Opening Day, Captain v President, Bank Holidays and others where there is support eg Men v Ladies.

Colin George had proposed a new club competition and this would be trialled on Sat 15 June if enough volunteers came forward.

12. Website

The website was mainly up to date for the new season. The system for entering names for selection for men's matches through the website would be continued again this year.

13. AOB

Don & Roseann would be asked to run the bar again next year.

Mike & Lin Hexter volunteered to acquire prizes for match raffles.

It was agreed that the club logo may be added to ladies red coats

Bob Smith, Secretary, 22 March 2019