

VERWOOD BOWLS CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING
held in the Clubhouse 2pm Wednesday, 1st September 2021

Present : Mike Daymond (President), Norman Pearce (Secretary/Membership Secretary), Alice Bulley (Ladies Secretary), Angela Daymond (Fixtures Secretary /Minutes), Barry Chick (Competitions Secretary), Phil Prince (Men's Captain), Mal Hancock (Men's Vice Captain), Jane Roberts (Ladies Captain), Ken Haxby-Thompson (Publicity), Chrissy Haxby-Thompson (Social) Apologies : Jim Scutt (Vice President) would be late; Peter Coleman (Treasurer)

1.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting	<u>Action</u>
	Acceptance proposed by Norman, 2 nd Phil Prince and agreed.	
2.	Matters Arising	
a)	<u>Defibulator</u> : Norman is regularly checking the machine; agreed that refresher training required for members and Norman will check availability of a trainer. Concern that the equipment is not eye-catching enough – Norman will address this.	NP
b)	<u>Smart Meter</u> – no information	PC
c)	<u>Bowls Launcher</u> – no information	PC
d)	<u>Perspex covering for toilet windows</u> – Mike to progress. Noted that the new Velux windows in the toilets can be opened, but members thought this is not advisable.	MD
3.	Correspondence – none. Some Committee members now receiving emails direct from Bowls England.	
4.	Treasurer's Report – none. Financial Year ends at end of September. Tea money matter is for 2022 committee.	
5.	Membership Secretary	
	Norman reported 2 new Social members – partners of players, and distributed the latest contact list. Membership forms given to 2 prospective players – Daphne & Rob Williams. Lucy and Mark Rose who are still working, will consider joining in 2022. It was thought unlikely that Harry White would complete a membership form as he had found delivery difficult. Totals : 30 men, 17 women; 20 social, 1 honorary.	
6.	Competition Secretary	
	Finals Days have a white dress code unless players don't have white trousers/skirts. Mal and Norman would be markers; stickers and cards now prepared for all matches. Alice leading the refreshment team – "bring and share" food and eating times would vary due to the players' timetable. The winners shield for the Mixed Triples is missing but there is an unused Friday Triples Trophy that could be used instead with some modification. <i>Jim Scutt joined the meeting at this point.</i>	BC AB BC
7.	Fixtures Secretary	
	"Just a Yard" date could change to Sunday 19 th September which would be the last day of the playing season – await result of Ringwood Trophy. (<i>Post mtg : Verwood in the Final on 11th September – Just a Yard moved to 19th September</i>). Angela advised that Linda Watts would be using the club's 00 bowls for the Friendly match at Fordingbridge as she had been unable to find secondhand bowls to purchase and this was approved. Cranborne teams complete – waiting to hear if Cranborne need extra players.	
8.	Ladies Section	
	Alice reported that the Ladies Section AGM would be on Thursday, 21 st October at 2.30pm. She will notify the lady members. She is frustrated and disappointed at the time it is taking to	AB

	provide the sample ladies shirt and will keep the pressure up on Spencer to provide it.	
9.	Ladies Captain	
	Jane reported on the successful Captain's Day and the cliff edge game won by Ed Murphy.	
10.	Men's Captain	
	Phil reported on the leagues status and that Verwood had reached the semi-final of the Ringwood Shield. Due to a tied match, the replay is on 2 nd September. Despite illness problems, Phil had been able to provide a full team for every match this season. We are providing a 4-man team to play against a touring Isle of Wight team on 6 th September.	
11.	Green Matters	
a)	<u>Activity</u> : Phil's report listed the vast amount of work carried out by the few supporting the Monday morning working party and the major work needed to be done at the close of the season which would be 19 th September. Phil paid tribute to the small team of helpers. Extra help needed when the scarifying is done as the contractor is unable to help this year; Alice offered to provide sustenance for the workers. Clearing of the leaves and acorns was another onerous task that could be done by anyone at any time. Phil is trying out a different type of grass seed in the dry areas of the green to see if it copes better.	All AB
b)	<u>Ditches</u> : Some ditch boarding needs replacing; Norman is sourcing three different samples of matting for the ditches. This work would be done after the boarding.	NP
c)	<u>Automatic Sprinkler system</u> – one sprinkler not working properly and means manual watering for some areas. Mike has chased up the invoice for the installation. Phil is keen that remote programming for the system is considered in the future.	MD
d)	<u>Ground subsidence</u> A local civil engineer has been contacted – survey yet to be arranged.	MD
e)	<u>Play on the green</u> – Phil requested that no activities start before 10.30am to allow for grass cutting to be completed without hassle!	
12.	Housekeeping	
a)	<u>Paper Towels</u> : Cotton towels now removed from the toilets and paper towels installed instead. Noted that when re-loading, just insert one packet. Norman will get another unit for the kitchen when he next orders paper towels.	NP
b)	<u>Premises</u> : Chrissy is keen that a thorough clean of the kitchen is carried out and some Committee members were keen to revamp and decorate the clubhouse during the off-season.	All
c)	<u>President's Report</u> listed replacement of lock on patio door and key placed on entry key fob so there is a 2 nd entrance to the clubhouse should the lock fail on the main door. New storage shelves in the loft; PAT tests carried out on more than 20 electrical items. Two failed and these have now been repaired.	
d)	Ken is still researching a cover for the patio.	KH-T
13.	Social	
	<u>Committee</u> : Whilst several members had ideas for social events, only Sue Holt had volunteered to help form a Social Committee. Angela, Chrissy and Sue will meet in the hope of getting the ball rolling, so to speak. Short Mat bowls mentioned (<i>post meeting : Sue Holt will organise</i>). <u>Whist Drives</u> : Information on the Whist Drives starting 11 th October has been sent to those who played previously, encouraging them to take out Social membership if they wish to continue playing. All Club members will be notified in due course.	CH-T/ AD AD
14.	Publicity : Ken had issued another newsletter.	
15.	Centenary Lunch / Presentation of Trophies	

	<p>Saturday, 20th November, 12 for 12.30; menu “B” chosen by all but 1; menu choice and post-dated cheques will be required to be received by Sue Pearce by 6th November.</p> <p>Mayor & Escort have accepted our invitation – cost to Club £56 but it is assumed they will buy raffle tickets. It was agreed by majority vote that the two Trustees and their wives be invited at the Club’s expense - £112. Mike will issue the invites.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>MD</p>
16.	Roadside Sign for the Bowls Club	
	<p>Cost is £285 just for the planning application for a brown “tourist” sign, plus cost of sign + 10% admin charge by the Council. 2022 Committee to look at other places where a sign could be placed; Angela to pass on the names of 2 local sign companies found on the internet. Chrissy thought Andrews Butchers would be interested in sponsorship and she thought a sign would be a suitable subject.</p>	
17.	AGM – Wednesday, 27th October at 7pm	
a)	<p><u>2022 Committee</u> - Norman to prepare the Notice of Meeting and Proposal Form for Committee Members –. Mike felt that it was not necessary to have the Past President as a Committee member. Committee accepted the suggestion. Constitution amendment needed; proposal for AGM to be drafted by Mike.</p>	<p>NP</p> <p>MD</p>
b)	<p><u>Trustees</u> – Proposed by Angela, 2nd Ken and agreed that the proposal to be put to the AGM is that the Trustees should not be named persons but rather their Committee role. It was therefore agreed that three Trustees should be the President, Secretary & Treasurer + a Club Member invited ad hoc if required –amendment to read “Officers or Members of Standing are eligible for consideration.” Norman will draft a re-wording for the Constitution.</p>	NP
18.	AOB	
	<p><u>Helix Centre</u> – Noted that Mike Daymond had spoken with Helix early in the season explaining that due to Covid, roll-up sessions with their clients would not start till 2022.</p>	
	<p style="text-align: center;">Meeting closed at 4.40pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DATE OF NEXT MEETING : WEDNESDAY, 13TH OCTOBER AT 10.30am</p>	
	<p><u>Items for future Agendas</u></p> <p><u>AGM</u> : Trustees/Constitution; Refreshments donation or within membership fee;</p> <p><u>Facilities</u> : Non-slip Floor Covering for the toilets; Spiked rubber mat for ditches £2,800; Club Badges; Electric hand-driers, decoration of the Clubhouse; thorough clean of the kitchen; remote programmer for watering system; cover for patio; roadside signage</p> <p><u>Social</u> : Event with Rotary; Full social programme; Queens Platinum Jubilee 4th/5th June 2022</p>	