

VERWOOD BOWLS CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING
held in the Clubhouse 10.30am Wednesday, 13th October 2021

Present : Mike Daymond (President), Jim Scutt (Vice President), Peter Coleman (Treasurer), Norman Pearce (Secretary/Membership Secretary), Alice Bulley (Ladies Secretary), Angela Daymond (Fixtures Secretary /Minutes), Barry Chick (Competitions Secretary), Phil Prince (Men’s Captain), Jane Roberts (Ladies Captain)

Part-time : Sue Pearce to discuss Centenary Lunch arrangements.

Apologies : Mal Hancock (Men’s Vice Captain), Ken Haxby-Thompson (Publicity), Chrissy Haxby-Thompson (Social)

1.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting 1st September – approved.	<u>Action</u>
2.	Centenary Lunch / Presentation of Trophies	
3.	The Mayor, Matthew Parker would be attending accompanied by the Deputy Mayor, Simon Gibson; Trustee Chris Antell would be attending with his wife, Bernie. 43 confirmed attendees. <u>Format</u> : Welcome from retiring President, Mike Daymond and introduce Barry as his successor. The chain of office would be given to Barry at the AGM, but worn by Mike for the Presentation Lunch. Sue Pearce would do the “Reflection” and then the meal will be served. No “Loyal Toast” but Angela would do a brief history of the Club using anecdotes supplied by members. Jane and Robert will organise the raffle – all raffle prizes to be brought on the day.	AD/KHT
4.	Matters Arising from Previous Meeting	
a)	Defibulator – ongoing.	NP
b)	Roadside Signs promoting the Club – ongoing.	CHT/MD
c)	Cover for patio – ongoing.	KHT
5.	President – Mike thanked the Committee for their work and support during the past year.	
6.	Correspondence	
	Phil and Barry would be attending the Bournemouth & District Assocn. AGM on 4 th December. 4 members are attending the New Forest Assocn. Lunch on 7 th November. Angela will send the email from English Electric that suggested a new mixed league to Norman as she thought there would be interest within the Club.	AD
7.	Treasurer’s Report	
	Peter had supplied the end-of-year figures and concern was expressed that heavy expenditure through the year had nullified the grants received. Peter would supply a breakdown of the equipment shed project costs and the miscellaneous expenditure items. Norman proposed a vote of thanks to Peter for his diligence in obtaining the grants and for all his work as Treasurer and this was heartily endorsed by everyone. Noted that the Ladies sub-Committee have £86 in a kitty – Alice said a decision on this will be made at the Ladies AGM. Barry had a balance sheet sheet for the club shirts. Income from competitions this year £250 – expenditure on trophy engraving and replacement trophy £329. Therefore it was agreed that Competition match fees would be increased from £1.50 to £2.	PC AB
8.	Membership Secretary	
	7 new Social Members from the Whist afternoon – forms & money handed to Norman. Suggestion made that non-league players pay a lower membership fee – not agreed but agreed that we needed to try and get more lady members. Unanimous agreement that the membership fee for 2022 should be £120, to include the cost of tea / coffee and biscuits.	

9.	Competition Secretary	
	Barry reported that all competitions had gone well but a shortage of players and some withdrawals had been a problem. The trophy for the Mixed Triples Winners had been lost and an old trophy revamped to replace it – cost £34. Barry noted that there is a lack of space for engraving on the small trophies. Noted that Trophy days' play would start at 10am as normal as grass cutting did not take place on a Saturday.	
10.	Fixtures Secretary	
	Written report referred to lack of support of the roll-ups by existing members and Friendlies with Cranborne and Fordingbridge.	
11.	Ladies Section	
	Jane and Alice had attended 2 Ladies lunches and 5 meetings representing the Club; the Ladies AGM is on Thursday, 21 st October at 2pm for 2.30pm. Barry expressed concern that we were becoming a men's club due to the shortage of women players.	
12.	Men's Captain	
	Phil reported on the successes of the Men's teams in the Ringwood Trophy and in the New Forest League where our team, playing against an Isle of Wight touring team, won by the highest score. No promotions or demotions this year but expected to be back to normal in 2022.	
13.	Green Matters	
	a) <u>Scarifying</u> completed with good support from members.	
	b) <u>Seeding</u> - Some hand-watering required during dry spells to assist new seeding – 4 th sprinkler not yet working properly.	WP
	c) <u>Winter tasks</u> : Some edging boards need replacing; cementing of concrete edges and painting; clearing of leaves and acorns.	WP
	d) <u>New Ditch Liners</u> : These have been delivered and will need coding and cutting to size before installation; suggested that the curled edge should be on the green side of the ditch.	WP
	e) <u>Ground subsidence</u> A local civil engineer, Jason Mooney, son of Graham, has visited – awaiting quote. Mike to chase up.	MD
	f) <u>Rats</u> : Norman continues to bait the traps as required.	NP
	g) <u>End of Season</u> : Phil suggested there was a need for the season to end a week earlier.	AD
14.	Housekeeping	
	a) <u>Outside tables</u> : either to be wrapped and up-ended on top of each other or glass removed – decision by working party.	
	b) Perspex covering for toilet windows : Barry offered to help Mike with this project. Supply might be a problem at the moment – Norman has a contact for supply.	MD/BC /NP
	c) Patio cover – next meeting	KHT
15.	Social	
	Whist started on Monday 11 th – 19 attended and were so pleased to be back. Short-mat due Wednesday 13 th in the afternoon.	

16.	<p>Publicity : Ken had issued another newsletter.</p> <p><u>Items for next newsletter which is now urgent</u> :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Club needs a new Treasurer – Peter retiring after 9 years ii) Club needs a Men’s Captain – Phil will concentrate on the Green Team. iii) All playing members to be invited to become part of any sub-committees formed and the lead of the group will report to the Management Committee. It was hoped this would make members become more involved. iv) Request for anecdotes relating to the history of the club to be used at the Centenary Lunch. 	KHT
17.	<p>AGM – Wednesday, 27th October at 7pm</p>	
a)	<p><u>Committee</u> : Barry & Ken had accepted nominations for President & Vice President respectively. Jim would like to remain as a Committee member and was proposed and seconded. Vacancies for Men’s Captain and Treasurer; all other members had agreed to stand and were duly proposed and seconded. Angela will supply the summary sheet for the website. Peter was willing to be auditor if at any time Phil wanted to stand down.</p>	AD
b)	<p><u>Changes to the Committee and thus the Constitution – Proposals to be put to the AGM</u></p>	
i)	<p>Trustee positions to be covered by President, Secretary, Treasurer and a Club member if another is required.</p>	
ii)	<p>Men’s Vice Captain to deputise for the Men’s Captain if required and not be a Committee member.</p>	
iii)	<p>The Publicity Officer should be Chair of the Social Committee and be the link to the Management Committee.</p>	
iv)	<p>Sub-committees to be led by a member of the Management Committee to allow all members to be involved in the running of the club should they wish.</p>	
v)	<p>The Vice President should be someone already playing an active part on the Management Committee.</p>	
vi)	<p>Delete reference to the President chairing all sub-committees.</p>	
c)	<p>Make-up of the Management Committee is therefore :-</p>	
	<p>President, Secretary/Membership, Treasurer, Fixtures Secretary, Men’s Captain, Competition Secretary, Ladies Captain, Ladies Secretary, Greenkeeper, Publicity, 2 members. Minutes covered by a Committee member.</p>	
	<p style="text-align: center;">Meeting closed at 12.15pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DATE OF NEXT MEETING : to be arranged after the AGM</p>	
	<p><u>Items for future Agendas</u></p> <p><u>Facilities</u> : Non-slip Floor Covering for the toilets; 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>	