

## VERWOOD BOWLS CLUB

### MINUTES of Committee Meeting 10am Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at the Clubhouse

Present : Barry Chick (President/Competitions Secretary), Ken Haxby-Thompson (Vice President/Publicity), Mike Daymond (Treasurer), Alice Bulley (Ladies Secretary), Angela Daymond (Fixtures Secretary/Minutes), Mal Hancock (Men's Vice Captain), Chrissy Haxby-Thompson (Social)

Apologies : Norman Pearce (Secretary/Membership Secretary), Phil Prince (Green Leader), Jim Scutt (Committee)

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| 1.  | <b>AGM held 27th October</b> – Minutes proposed Ken H-Thompson, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Alice Bulley and agreed. Attendance list mislaid.  | <u>Action</u> |
| 2.  | <b>Matters Arising from the AGM</b>  |               |
| a)  | <u>Constitution changes</u> : proposals held over to Spring Meeting as not enough time for advance notice to be given to members.  | Spring Mtg    |
| b)  | <u>Committee</u> – Mike Daymond elected as Treasurer. Website Committee List and Committee Group email have been updated by Geoff Symonds.   |               |
| c)  | <u>Professional coaching</u> – raised by Mike Foster. Angela has a local contact – Graham Elliott, Bowls England Coach, member at Fordingbridge who offered to help with coaching during our home friendly match and known to Angela & Mike as he was a past member of Verwood Concert Brass. Alice said that Bowls Dorset would come with a team of coaches. Carry forward to 2022. | 2022          |
| d)  | <u>AGM Agenda Format</u> – Angela to raise with Norman.  | AD            |
| e)  | <u>Date of AGM</u> – to be one week later to avoid the half-term holiday.  | AD            |
| 3.  | <b>Minutes of the Committee Meeting held 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021</b> – approved.  |               |
| 4.  | <b>Matters Arising not connected with Section Reports</b>  |               |
|     | <u>Defibrillator</u> – on-going.   | NP            |
| 5.  | <b>Correspondence</b>  |               |
|     | Norman will forward incoming emails to the appropriate Committee Member.   | NP            |
| 6.  | <b>Treasurer's Report</b>  |               |
|     | Mike Daymond had circulated his first report and said that the handover was still in progress. Income from 11 new social members not yet shown as they had not been paid in at the time of the report.   | MD            |
| 7.  | <b>Membership Secretary</b>  |               |
|     | Membership list updated with 11 new Social members. 2 more joined at Monday's whist.   | NP            |
| 8.  | <b>Competition Secretary</b>   | BC            |
|     | Barry reported that all the trophies had been engraved and polished ready for the presentation. His aim is to encourage more participation in 2022.  |               |
| 9.  | <b>Fixtures Secretary</b>  |               |
| a)  | <u>End of Season date</u> – as this year. Green's needs would be monitored and date could be changed if necessary.   | AD            |
| b)  | <u>Other dates for 2022</u> : Alice is planning Ladies roll-ups on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Angela has asked Vanessa whether she would help with 3 weeks of 2 practice sessions for new players in 2022, possibly Monday & Friday afternoons, 2 rinks. She also thought Sunday morning all-member roll-up would be good for anyone who works – 10.30am start agreed.         | AD            |
| c)  | <u>Helix</u> – Mike Daymond and Peter Dedman will be organising roll-ups with the Helix clients on Friday mornings.  | AD            |
| 10. | <b>Ladies' Section</b>   |               |
| a)  | <u>Ladies bowling practice</u> – Tues & Thurs afternoons 2pm followed by tea and cake. She noted that both West Moors and Fordingbridge had closed their Ladies' membership.   | AB            |

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| b)  | <u>Ladies Fund</u> – Money to be passed over – Alice will check with the Ladies Minutes as to which fund it was to go in. Angela thought the canopy fund, Alice thought general fund.   | AB              |
| c)  | <u>Ladies shirt &amp; Unisex Jackets</u> – sample sizes requested by Chrissy – to be available at the Coffee Morning on 11 <sup>th</sup> December. Chrissy will check on the minimum order  | CH-T            |
| d)  | <u>Affiliation to the New Forest Women’s Assocn.</u> – Alice reported that we are able to affiliate even though we don’t have a league team as yet. We are also affiliated to Bowls Dorset Women.   |                 |
| e)  | <u>Club badges</u> – border colour not correct but we have been assured that they will be the same as the shirt badge.  | CH-T            |
| f)  | <u>Events</u> - Alice had attended 2 lunches for which there would be petrol expenses.  | AB              |
| 11. | <b>Men’s Captain –</b>  |                 |
| a)  | <u>Men’s Captain</u> - No offers as yet to take on this role. Barry was pursuing.   | BC              |
| b)  | <u>Ringwood Shield</u> - Barry reported that Jim had attended the New Forest Assocn. lunch and was presented with the Runners-Up Trophy for the Ringwood Shield competition. Barry showed a photo of the team.  |                 |
| c)  | <u>Men’s Shirts</u> – in stock 3x XL, 3x Medium. More required.   | BC/CH-T         |
| 12. | <b>Green Matters</b>  |                 |
| a)  | <u>Subsidence</u> – self-help or another contractor suggested at the AGM but Mike explained that the contractor now had permission to have access via the Recreation Ground from the Trustees (i.e. the Town Council); this would make the work cheaper because of ease of access to the site. Costings awaited – to be based on a quick fix, medium and long-term fixes. It was thought the work would not start till the spring and Angela suggested grant applications to the Town Council (before 1st March) and the Solar Farm Committee (mid-January) and agreed to draft this for Barry to present.  | PP<br>AD        |
| b)  | <u>Aerator</u> – The aerator had been a problem but is now working.   |                 |
| c)  | <u>Ditch sides</u> – work being carried out by Mike Foster.   |                 |
| d)  | <u>Sprinkler System</u> – No. 2 sprinkler now operational. <u>Note:</u> This had <u>not</u> been part of the installation of the new pump and controller, but a separate issue with old equipment.  |                 |
| e)  | <u>Mower Shed Light</u> – there are times when this gets left on – Mike will fit a light sensor there and in the equipment shed.  | MD              |
| 13. | <b>Social Events</b>  | CH-T            |
| a)  | <u>Short Mat Bowls</u> – Had not been supported so now cancelled and the mats to be put back in the loft until required.  |                 |
| b)  | <u>Coffee Morning</u> - Alice, Chrissy & Sue Holt have this in hand and Chrissy would be bringing a coffee machine to the clubhouse for the event. £2.50 inc. mince pie, cake and coffee.   |                 |
| c)  | <u>Curry Lunch &amp; Quiz</u> – 15 <sup>th</sup> January being organised by Chrissy. Quizmaster organised.  |                 |
| d)  | <u>Whist</u> – Noted that there had been 11 new Social members as a result of the whist.  |                 |
| 14. | <b>Housekeeping</b>   |                 |
| a)  | <u>Toilets</u> : Window panels – Barry has sourced the products – total cost for four windows £140.82. Agreed to proceed and that toilet doors would be left open when clubhouse is not in use and a notice put on the door to this effect in order to prevent/reduce condensation. (Angela to do & get wedges) This may mean that alternative floor covering is not required.  | BC<br>AD        |
| b)  | <u>Cleaning Rota</u> – Angela thought this needed to be re-introduced next year. However a carry-all with cleaning products to be placed in each of the men’s and ladies’ toilets.  | AD              |
| c)  | <u>Patio cover ideas &amp; costings</u> – Ken needs to visit Robert Dyas regarding the size required of the type outside the local café as it is not on the website – cost around £1,500. Other more sturdy options were anything from £3,000 - £9,000 and clearly out of our league. An alternative would be a sail as sourced by Sue Holt – Committee to look at the following link :-<br><br><a href="https://www.primrose.co.uk/-p-121918.html?gclid=Cj0KQCjwgtWDBhDZARIsADEKwgNXPPjYEXQ6gD4vIYWbrPVPOVdYSgTQyKzrCBnDS_8VxEtGiME0aApZaEALw_wcB">https://www.primrose.co.uk/-p-121918.html?gclid=Cj0KQCjwgtWDBhDZARIsADEKwgNXPPjYEXQ6gD4vIYWbrPVPOVdYSgTQyKzrCBnDS_8VxEtGiME0aApZaEALw_wcB</a> | KH-T<br><br>All |

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|     | This website has a full installation instruction video. The sail comes in a variety of sizes and colours with a waterproof version.  |            |
| d)  | <u>Decoration of clubhouse</u> – Shelves & noticeboards will be removed by the Men’s Working Party and cracks filled. Barry would source a paint chart and bring to the Coffee Morning. Window of opportunity to decorate after Christmas before Whist starts again on 10th January. | Work Party |
| e)  | <u>Kitchen</u> – Ed Murphy had donated a new tap for the sink which he will fit.   | EM         |
| f)  | <u>Christmas Tree</u> – Alice & Chrissy to do w/c 29 <sup>th</sup> November.   | AB/CH-T    |
| 15. | <b>Publicity</b>   |            |
| a)  | <u>Newsletter</u> – to encourage use of the website as a priority.   | KH-T       |
| b)  | <u>Verwood Vista</u> – Ken to find out closing dates and make use of photos of the Mayor from the Centenary Lunch for an article for “Vista” and other publicity.  | KH-T       |
| c)  | <u>Open Days 2022</u> : All Saturdays - 23 <sup>rd</sup> April, 30 <sup>th</sup> April & 7 <sup>th</sup> May. Jubilee Weekend 4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> June could possibly be another opportunity to “come & try”.  | AD         |
| d)  | <u>Outside Organisations</u> – discussion held as to whether U3A could set up a Bowls Section but it was realised this would not be acceptable under Club Rules and the insurance. We could publicise our Open Days via U3A and other clubs.   | KH-T       |
| e)  | <u>New Outside the Club Sign</u> – Chrissy pursuing sponsorship and will contact local company “Clear Signs” re costs.   | CH-T       |
| 16. | <b>2020 Centenary &amp; Presentation Lunch Update</b>  |            |
|     | 47 attending. Mayor presenting trophies. Anecdotes will come from Minutes of past meetings and other sources. Ed Murphy taking photos.   |            |
| 17. | <b>Any Other Business</b> – none raised.   |            |

**Meeting closed at 12.35pm**

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING : 10am WEDNESDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

**Items for future Agendas**

Spring Meeting : Trustees/Constitution; sub-committees

Membership : Promotion; Members joining pack; Club Badges; Road signage/banners;

Professional Coaching; Cleaning Rota; Open Days

Facilities : Non-slip Floor Covering for the toilets; Electric hand-driers, decoration of the Clubhouse

Social : Event with Rotary & maybe other clubs; Queens Platinum Jubilee 4th/5th June 2022