

VERWOOD BOWLS CLUB

MINUTES of Committee Meeting 10am Wednesday, 16th February 2022 at the Clubhouse

Present : Barry Chick (President/Competitions Secretary), Ken Haxby-Thompson (Vice President/Publicity), Mike Daymond (Treasurer), Norman Pearce (Secretary/Membership Secretary), Phil Prince (Green Leader), Angela Daymond (Fixtures Secretary/Minutes), Alice Bulley (Ladies Secretary), Chrissy Haxby-Thompson (Social),
Apologies : Jim Scutt (Committee), Mal Hancock (Men's Vice Captain)

1.	Minutes of Meeting held 12th January 2022 – Proposed Norman, 2 nd Ken and agreed.	Action
2.	Matters Arising	
a)	<u>Defibrillator</u> : Awaiting information from Mal re training; the beeping of the machine was an indication that the battery was out-of-date – Norman organised the replacement and 2-week check was satisfactory.	
b)	<u>Advertisements on the website</u> – Norman will check with Sue P. that those donating to the Centenary Lunch are recognised.	NP
c)	<u>Coaching Course Notes from Vanessa</u> – received. Vanessa has resigned as Club Coach and will only be joining as a Social Member in 2022.	
d)	<u>Constitution</u> – Various additional changes agreed. Mike Daymond to re-issue. Financial Year details to be added: – After discussion it was agreed that it made operational sense to have the Playing membership year 1 st March to end of February; the Financial year 1 st October to 30 th September in order to put proposals to the AGM for the following year. Once the Constitution is finalised, it is to be put on the website for Members to study.	MD
3.	Correspondence	
	Norman has shared emails received as appropriate. He noted the B&D Mixed Pairs Competition.	
4.	Membership Secretary	
	Norman had had difficulties with his printer which has delayed the issue of forms. Every member has a unique member i.d. which they will need to use to pay on-line by bank transfer. A member can pay for two and instructions have been given on the renewal paperwork.	NP
5.	Treasurer's Report	
a)	<u>Accounts</u> – Accounts circulated. 6d Handley Bowling Club have paid half the cost of the shared website provider. Invoice from Steve Hill still outstanding. Insurance requirement for new padlocks had cost £24. PAT stands for Portable Appliance Testing.	
b)	<u>Budget</u> – Figures show that 35 full-paying members are needed to cover basic annual costs.	
6.	Green Matters	
a)	<u>Report</u> – Phil's written report detailed the extensive work being done on the green and surrounds by the Monday working party including spiking & fertilising and replacement of edging boards – more are required for standby. Removal of thistles and nettles within the hedging is proving a major task as is removal of worm casts. Steve Hill has applied lawn feed and is due to do it again late February. Further deep spike treatment will be required costing £120. Re-seeding to be carried out mid-March; seed being purchased.	
b)	<u>Subsidence</u> – Discussions held with maintenance contractor for the Recreation Ground who felt Mooney's quote was sound, but piping the ditch is to be investigated. Norman will send any letter that is required to be sent to the Town Council in this regard.	PP NP
7.	Clubhouse Maintenance	

a)	<u>Decoration of the Clubhouse</u> – main room nearing completion; toilets & kitchen will be done later in the year. Barry Chick & Sue Holt were congratulated on their hard work.	
b)	<u>Patio Cover</u> – carry forward.	KH-T
8.	Fixtures Secretary – Angela had provided a detailed written report.	
a)	<u>Season Opening</u> : Agreed to bring forward to Saturday, 16 th April (Easter weekend); but 12-end opening triples remains on 23 rd April at 2.30pm followed by tea and biscuits.	
b)	<u>Open Days</u> to be referred to as “Taster Days” : Saturday, 30 th April, Monday 2 nd May, Saturday 7 th May, Wed 11 th May. Late summer date : Saturday, 20 th August. Ken will again be the contact for booking. Publicity required. Heritage Centre have offered the facility of a temporary large poster on their railings. Mike has a suitable board and printing facility.	KH-T KH-T MD
c)	<u>League Dates</u> awaited.	
d)	<u>Friendlies</u> – No return match at Fordingbridge available due to our change of end-of-season dates.	
e)	<u>Timber Trundlers</u> – 20 th June offered; agreed match fee would be £60 for 4 rinks of triples.	AD
9.	Club Uniform – Chrissy pursuing with supplier at Dolphin Centre. Noted that a “made in Britain” supplier was Aceit at Leamington Spa.	
10.	Men’s Captain – no progress – Phil taking temporary responsibility.	
11.	Social Events	
a)	<u>Update</u> – Dominoes Afternoon 16 th February much enjoyed –. 2 more organised for 2 nd and 16 th March at 2pm.	
b)	<u>February Coffee Morning</u> – Saturday, 26 th February – subs payment day. Chrissy & Angela will organise. Social occasion – no payment. Norman would not be available.	CH-T/AD
c)	<u>Whist</u> – Additional £120 raised.	
d)	<u>“The Swans” Sponsorship</u> – They have donated 4 tokens as raffle prizes and are willing to give one a month. Publicity given on our website.	KH-T
e)	<u>Queen’s Jubilee</u> – Agreed to support the Vintage Fayre on the Recreation Ground on Thursday, 2 nd June with a bowling game; a discount ticket will be given for a cream tea at the Bowls Club. Angela will attend meeting at Town Council Office 7 th March to put forward our proposals and then discuss further with Club Members wishing to be involved.	AD
12.	Publicity	
a)	<u>Newsletter</u> – to include request for IT support.	KH-T
b)	<u>Location of Bowls Club Posters</u> – required for secure boards on Ferrett Green, Heritage Centre and 2 other Town Council boards (Ebblelake & 3X). Ken will investigate the availability of the empty board outside the Post Office.	KH-T KH-T
c)	<u>IT Familiarisation</u> - Irving & Sons have offered help with setting up Facebook & Instagram and administering it as long as we provide information and photos. Angela will contact Tony Bird re his suggestion for a video promoting the club.	KH-T AD
d)	<u>Verwood Vista</u> – Ken has supplied an article with photo for the “Verwood Vista”.	
e)	<u>Noticeboard outside the Club</u> – Needs publicity but first needs repairing. Barry will investigate.	BC
13.	Ladies Section – Alice had attended a B&D meeting and reported there are additional new teams this year. Alice given special permission to test her bowling capability before committing to full membership.	AB
14.	Competition Secretary – Discussion on the rules for the Novices Competition resulted in the status quo.	
15.	Any Other Business	

a)	<u>Welfare Office</u> – Myrtle has retired from the role after many years. Replacement required – ask at Spring Meeting. Barry updated the Committee on Jim Scutt.	BC
b)	<u>Spring Meeting</u> – Chrissy offered to take the Minutes.	CH-T
c)	<u>New Forest Men’s League</u> – Proposal : Division 5 to allow women to play in a team as long as there is at least one man playing; Divisions 3, 4 & 5 to allow two players to play 9 ends each. Committee agreed with these proposals and Phil will vote in favour.	PP

DATE OF NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING : Wednesday, 16th March at 10am

(NOTE: It is the Dominoes event in the afternoon at 2pm)

	Spring Meeting – 7pm Wednesday, 30th March (apologies MD/AD; Chrissy offered to do Minutes)	
	<u>Items for future Agendas</u> <u>Spring Meeting</u> : Trustees/Constitution; sub-committees <u>Membership</u> : Promotion; Members joining pack; Club Badges; Road signage/banners; Professional Coaching; Cleaning Rota; Open Days <u>Facilities</u> : Non-slip Floor Covering for the toilets; Electric hand-driers, cctv; licensed bar <u>Social</u> : Event with Rotary & maybe other clubs; Queens Platinum Jubilee 4th/5th June 2022	