Verwood Bowling Club
Minutes of Management Meeting 1st May 2024

	action
In attendance; Norman Pearce NP,Sue Dooley SD,Alan Coul AC, Barry Chick BC, Keith Newman KN,,Brian Dooley BD, Jane Roberts JR, Mal Hancock MH, Chrissy Haxby- Thompson CHT,Phil Prince PP	
Apologies -David O'Toole DO,Ken Haxby-Thompson KHT,	
Approval of minutes dated 3/4/24 - NP	
Matters arising - none	
Correspondence -letter from Visually Impaired Bowls England asking us to run a spider comp to raise fund for their cause, it was agreed to do it on captains day charging £1 per person	SD
Membership - NP distributed the up to date membership list noting that we now have over 100 members including 42 being social members. NP thanked everyone involved with the taster days and especially Keith who coordinated it all. NP suggested that we do more taster days perhaps the first saturday of each month, after discussion it was agreed that we would organise something for the last few weeks of the season	NP
Treasurer's Report - AC said we now have a small surplus income over expenditure during April 2024. The purchasing of the heaters from the grant was discussed and a vote was taken on the proposal to purchase and install them asap, 8 were in favour with one abstaining. PP said he felt there were more important issues to be addressed than the heating, after much discussion SD suggested we have a wish list for club requirements, which everyone needs to think about and circulate to fellow committee members before the next meeting. PP requested that an extra column be added to the financial report to show a forecast of income and expenditure, in order to see how much manoeuvrability we have.	AC
Green Matters - PP circulated his report prior to the meeting, The main problem being the crows, he will ask Greensleves for a quote to apply a substance to prevent the pests which attracts the birds.PP said there was a problem with one of the mowers which has had a temporary fix, KN agreed to have a look.	PP BD BC
Captains' report - Ladies - JR reported she has had a good response from players for Div 5 and with more playing ladies registering it is hoped we can	JR

get a ladies team next year. Men - BD reported that Monday night in the bowls dorset league has been dropped due to a lack of players. Yesterday the men were due to play a Percy Baker league game but Blandford rang to say they couldn't get a team and were pulling out of the league which only leaves 4 teams i.e. 6 games in the season. BD also reported that the league practice will now be held on a Monday night at 6pm not Tuesday after a vote was taken amongst the players last evening.	BD DO
Fixtures -SD said KHT had sent out an email to all suggesting a day for the new members to be scheduled to help them out understanding the club and bowling rules, CHT then chatted about it and a sub committee was formed with CHT, KHT, JR AC and NP who will meet on Friday at NP's home. All agreed it was a good idea and a date fixed for Saturday 12 May.	KHT
Publicity - KN reported that over 30 attended the taster days which was a good turn out and thanks everyone who turned up to help. KN has had sponsorship from Castleman and a promise from Irving's.The website has over 3000 hits in April and the radio broadcast has had good feedback.	KN
Social - CHT said there was not much to report as the bowls is now in full swing, PP said the Impossible quiz on Friday was fully booked.	CHT
AOB	
Flowerbeds JR and CHT will stock the raised beds this year but wondered if we should replace them with grass next year.	JR CHT
Safeguarding officer, KN to put on the newsletter to ask for someone to come forward	KN
Defibrillator training- NP suggested it should be run again at some point, NP testes it every 2 weeks	NP
Ringwood BC, it has been reported that the club would be closing in the next year or so,BD suggested we invite the club for a friendly, therefore we decided to ask KHT to arrange it so they could come and see our club and perhaps recruit a few players.	KHT
Rink Diary Book - NP said it was in progress and would be available soon	NP
Competitions - BC said all competitions and Trophy days were on the board and highlighted that some first rounds needed to be played by 31st May.	BC
Meeting closed at 12.05	
Next meeting- 12 June 2024 at 10am	

Signed _____

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