

Committee Meeting Held on Tuesday 14th May, 2019 @ 11.00am in the Bowls Pavilion

Present: A Kneale, R Stewart, W Heywood, P Cain, D Hird, T Moxham, C Knipe, R Williams, P Heron, A France, M Ratcliffe

The Chairman opened the meeting and asked the Secretary to read the minutes from the 26th March meeting. These were accepted as a true record and there were no matters arising.

The Treasurer reported a healthy balance in bank and cash, but added payments were still to be made for green nutrients, hire of ladies bus and all league fees. The Secretary outlined projects that had been earmarked for the end of the season and the meeting agreed to review our finances at future meetings before proceeding with this expenditure.

The Secretary then proceeded to read the correspondence received since the last meeting, which included:

- 1) Letter with cheque from T Ward & Sons for their sponsorship.
- 2) Letter from the Furness Juniors thanking the Club for their donation of £50.
- 3) Receipt from the BCGBA for £6 covering the 'open' competition certificate.
- 4) Email from C Haworth, CCGBA regarding footwear in relation to health and safety, worn on the greens.
- 5) Email from T Moxham withdrawing from selection for all matches.
- 6) Email received from R Williams regarding selection policy in connection with unavailable players immediately going back into the team when they became available. Following discussion, the feeling was that the present method was the fairest, and also ensured that the strongest teams were selected to play.

The Delegate reported on recent meetings that had been held:

- 1) The U&DBL are to consider re-formatting the team KO competition.
- 2) A sponsor was needed for the Charity Pairs competition.
- 3) He then went on to report a rowdy meeting at the F&DBL meeting when the re-introduction of the player 'loan' system was discussed due to the number of walkovers, possibly effecting 3rd div teams only.
- 4) Lawson Trophy reps were required from all clubs for the comp being played at Walney Park on the 19th May.

- 5) Glaxo greens future was still uncertain, with a 3 year life being predicted.
- 6) The league were still considering the re-introduction of the team KO competition.

TM reported on the sections meeting attended on the 9th April, where the Table tennis (TT), Cricket (Cr), Bowls and Archery were present.

- 1) A date for the Sports Club's AGM was still awaited.
- 2) (TT) were planning on two fund raisers:
 - (a) Full Benefit in May
 - (b) Gemma Doyle in December
- 3) (Cr) are running a Sportsman's Dinner with guest speaker Bryan Robson, the event had been sold out.
- 4) Volunteers were required for pitch maintenance.

The Secretary confirmed that sponsorship monies had been received from Len Case and T Ward's, and that Schofield's had promised theirs during the season. Holden's (TM) and Handmark Eng (RS) were to be reminded, and that others had been asked without success.

The Club's 'open' competitions for the Over 60's pairs and the Over 65's Singles Handicap were to be played in the next few weeks, and prize money for the pairs set at £190 based on projected entries.

The latest information on the Big Smash was as follows:

- 1) Rob Lindsay to run the event, operating from the Bowls Pavilion unless the weather was exceptional, when the small bowls hut may be used. Electrical supply to be arranged.
- 2) The Club's tannoy system was to be used to play music as well.
- 3) The Sports Club to organise canned beer tent and the main bar would be open from 10.00am.
- 4) CK and PMc to cook bacon from the upstairs kitchen, with the Ladies transferring it to the Bowls Pavilion to maintain warmth and sell the baps.
- 5) Ladies to prepare Pie & Peas and sell from the Sports Club's downstairs kitchen. RS to collect the pies from the confectioners on the Saturday morning and PH to organise signage. Teas, coffees, soft drinks and sandwiches would all be on sale from the bowls pavilion. PH to obtain another 50 mugs.
- 6) The Men were to organise the raffle, measuring and marking boards and cards during the day.
- 7) Three other events were to be held at the Club during the day, none of which were expected to impact on the competition.

8) The three car parks were to be available for parking.

The meeting was then asked their thoughts on running another fun bowls day for members, friends and family, which had proved successful last year. It was agreed to proceed on the basis that drinks be provided, but that players bring their own light refreshments. A date was to be agreed between RS and PH.

In AOB, CK raised the issues at the King Alfred during a league game, where a player had been assaulted. It was agreed that it was down to the Club to investigate the matter, and report to the League and County if any action was to be taken.

The meeting concluded at 12.30pm and a date of Tuesday 30th July at 11.00am agreed for the next meeting. If anything urgent was to arise in the meantime, the Secretary could call an earlier meeting.