

Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 15th March,2022 at 11.00 am.

Present: A Kneale, R Stewart, T Woods, R Moxham, P Cain, J Lavender, R Williams, J Cairns, P Heron.

Apologies: C Knipe, J Bawden, S Liddicott

Presentations by: B Kaighan, A Woods

The Chairman opened the meeting and asked Brian to make his presentation on the format for the Club's new website, which was well received by the Committee, and the goahead given to proceed. Brian had made a notice which was to be displayed around the Club.

The Chairman then invited Andy to make his presentation on the progress made towards staging the 'All England' finals in July. He confirmed that vendors and marquees had been booked and that beverages could be served from the Sports Club. The viewing hut, bowls pavilion and small hut would be used by the BCGBA for running the event, and that they were to organise security??. Car parking for competitors and spectators, whilst dependant on weather conditions was more or less in place, but the parking of buses was still to be agreed. The ticket gates were to be manned by the County Assoc. Who were also responsible for organising the raffle. This left the greens preparation, marshalling and litter picking the responsibility of the Hawcoat Park club. Meetings were needed with the 'County' & BCGBA to finalise details, and AW would look into the availability of smaller marquee(s) for players equipment. Andy & Ken Howarth were to be invited to the next committee meeting.

The Secretary then proceeded to read the minutes from the previous meeting, which were accepted, and in matters arising he confirmed that a poster was now on display for the Furness league's new handicap competition.

Bob then summarised the situation with registrations for the coming season, and whilst there was little room for absenteeism, and with 3 weeks to go to the start of the season, numbers were sufficient to proceed with the teams entered into the leagues.

In the absence of the Treasurer, Bob read an email from Steve, which confirmed receipt of sponsorship money's from Holden's and Ward's and that reg fees of £90 had been paid to the CCCGBA. The bank balance remained very healthy.

In correspondence, Bob confirmed that letters had been sent to the sponsors and that emails had been received from the Ulverston league (requesting £25 per team advance on league fees) and that a scheduled fixture for Thursday 2nd June clashed with the Queen's Jubilee celebrations, fixtures could be re-arranged if required. The Furness CG Bowling Assoc requested donations in support of the Juniors travelling expenses (committee agreed to £50).

In the absence of Dave Hird, Ray Williams volunteered to take on the league delegate roles with immediate effect, and Bob would notify the league's with Ray's contact details.

The Tonie Moxham Mem'l competition had attracted 64 entries and reserves were being taken. Prize money of £750 was agreed. And members were to be contacted in covering duties throughout the day.

In any other business, Pat asked that the proposed purchase of a microwave oven be replaced with a pie warmer, she was asked to provide details, and pointed out that some of the plastic cladding around the toilets may need replacing. Ray raised the question around the annual trip and due to spiralling transport costs was asked to gauge the support from members between going to Salmesbury or holding an event at the Club. Bob was to obtain quote(s) for recovering the small hut roof which had been damaged in recent storms, and was asked to check on the general condition of the building before proceeding. And he also announced that the Sports Club were holding coffee mornings on Mondays between 10-12 noon. Bob confirmed receiving unexpectedly, a Sports Club life membership recently, and asked the committee for other nominations. Whilst being asked to find out who else within the bowls section had received this honour and obtain the criteria for nominations, it was agreed that at least Roy and Paul be nominated.

The meeting closed at 12.30 pm with the presentation of last seasons championship prize to Roy Moxham; a reminder that team selection is on the 25th March, and a date of Friday 20th May at 11.00 am in the bowls pavilion, agreed for the next committee meeting.