

Committee Meeting held on Friday 19th May,2023

Present: T Kneale, R Stewart, J Bawden, J Lavender, B Kaighan, J Cairns, P Heron.

The Chairman opened the meeting and asked the Secretary to read the minutes from the March meeting. As the minutes had been circulated to everyone in attendance, Bob asked if there were any matters arising. The only outstanding question was around the purchase of a weather proof shelter for no. 2 green. Bob presented a couple of options which weren't ideal due to the fact that the stand alone shelter meant for the road side of the green had a depth of 1.7 metres, which would have taken up the full width of the grass surround and restricted access for hedge and grass cutting, and the canopy type would need fixing to a building, where shelter against the prevailing wind/rain was adequate.

Bob proceeded to read the correspondence received during the last two months:

- 1) Email from R Shaw (Sports Club) confirming that the Club's insurance covered bowlers 'public liability' insurance through to the end of October,2023.
- 2) Email from R Williams resigning from all Club roles as explained in his note.
- 3) Emails to the F&DBL and U&DBL confirming change of Delegate to both leagues.
- 4) Email from K Howarth requesting a donation toward the travel costs of the Furness junior teams - £50 had been donated, letter of thanks had been received along with receipt.
- 5) Email from R Shaw (Sports Club) asking for volunteers for duties on the weekend of the K2B walk.
- 6) Email to Anthony Holden thanking him for sponsorship of the bowls club and Tonie Moxham's Memorial competition.
- 7) Email from K Allen requesting bowls section attendance at a meeting of the 'board' in connection with canned beer sales. TK, SL and RS had attended when it was explained that due to Club policy and Licencing Regulations, cans had to be purchased from the Club and sold to bowlers at the same cost of £2.50 per can.

- 8) Email from the Rotary Club requesting use of a green for a round of their society's knockout competition. Later agreed for Thursday 25th May on no.1 green.
- 9) Email to the Ladies Section explaining the reasons behind the postponement of the 'Open' Pairs competition on Monday 8th May – which later at the meeting was cancelled this year due to a lack of dates.

In the absence of the Treasurer, nothing to report.

The Delegates, John Lavender (F&DBL) confirmed that the next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday 23rd May and Brian Kaighan (U&DBL) said that Myerscough's sponsorship of the league was still to be confirmed, the KO competition had been drawn, and games were due to be played on Thursday 8th June; £200 had been donated to the Furness Juniors; and a system of fines had been agreed for non-attendance at delegates meetings.

The fixture Secretary confirmed that Tonie's Memorial had drawn a maximum 64 entries. Zach Walker had defeated Tony Whitehouse 21-13 in the final and the day had gone without a hitch and the club had a successful raffle.

The 'Open' Pairs scheduled for the Coronation bank holiday Monday had been postponed due to a flooded green with further rain due to fall during the day – the meeting cancelled this years competition due to a lack of alternative dates.

The 'Over 60's' Open Pairs was due to be played on Friday 26th May, with 25 pairs currently entered.

In any other business, Pat Heron requested re-imbusement for refreshments organised for the cancelled competition. She asked if the section was going to organise a fun day along the lines of last years event, and was asked to suggest a couple of dates suitable to the ladies. And expressed her disappointment that the Sports Club had used the pie warmer during the K2B and returned it in a dirty condition.

The meeting closed at 11.45 am and a date of Friday 28th July agreed for the next meeting.