

**Committee Meeting Held on Tuesday 24th September,2019 @
11.00am in the Bowls Pavilion.**

Present: A Kneale, R Stewart, W Heywood,P Cain, D Hird, T Moxham,
R Williams, J Cairns, P Heron

Apologies: C Knipe.

The Chairman opened the meeting and asked the Secretary to read the minutes from the July meeting, which were accepted as a true record.

In matters arising Pat asked what fund raising opportunities would benefit the bowling section from running the All England finals and whether the pavilion kitchen facilities would be available to the ladies for providing refreshments. The meeting agreed that until the planning stage began for the finals, with more information coming from the BCGBA and County association it was impossible to confirm.

The treasurer reported that a small deficit was likely to arise on the seasons annual balance sheet following the purchase of additional seats and gutter boarding, albeit the ladies section had made a considerable donation to the bowling club.

The Secretary summarised the work to be done over the next few weeks, which included spiking, scarifying, cutting, seeding and top dressing to both greens and the installation of both seats and boarding, following delivery and availability of volunteers. The hedge cutting had been postponed due to the weather.

The Secretary summarised the correspondence received since the last meeting, which included:

- 1) Notification of meeting to be held by the Sports Club, to discuss financial matters. (Wilf attended with Jim Bawden when it was made clear that the Club are not in financial difficulty, however a problem needed to be resolved at certain times of the year when the value of bills exceeded those from receipts).
- 2) Cheque received from Schofield Construction for sponsorship of the Autumn Pairs.
- 3) Letters to a number of Companies requesting sponsorship.
- 4) Email to the 'Mail' with report and photograph from the Pairs competition.
- 5) Letter from West Shore Bowling Club thanking the Club for their assistance in trying to help Dave Crozier, who unfortunately died during a league match. (Ray Williams has subsequently been in touch with the Clubs management, who have improved signage for the defibrillator and are in the process of organising training courses for members).

6) Email to the Secretary of the Furness league, confirming Grand Master and Playoff representatives.

The Delegate reported from recent league meetings as follows:

F&DBL – a) £250 donation made to Ken Howarth to cover his County and BCGBA travel expenses.

b) League to run KO Cup competition next season.

c) Glaxo to hold the 1st division playoffs, King Alfred – div 2 and Kirby – div 3. Glaxo have also advertised ‘Defibrillator’ course for anyone interested.

d) Proposal to be put forward at AGM around 5.00pm start times for league matches commencing 1st September.

e) AGM to be held at the Coop on Thursday 24th October at 7.00pm.
(Dave and Tonie to attend)

U&DBL – a) Red River had won the KO Cup.

b) The Ulv Cons v Post Office game had still to be re-arranged from the 2nd scheduled fixture of the season.

c) AGM to be held at Lindal on Wednesday 6th November at 7.45pm.
(Dave and Bob to attend).

The Competition Secretary confirmed that a profit had been made from both the Marklew Mem’l Trophy (63 entries) and the ‘Autumn’ Pairs (40 pairs).

Wilf volunteered to attend the County meeting scheduled for Monday 14th October, when the topic of next years All England finals would be discussed. (Ken Howarth and Andy Woods would be invited to attend our next committee meeting to discuss the path forward).

The meeting agreed to the following dates:

AGM – Friday 25th October in the bowls pavilion at 7.00pm.

Presentation night – Friday 6th December in the bar from 7.00pm.

In AOB the following points were raised:

(PC) Sports Club membership fees – could anything be done to attract younger bowlers to the club.

(RW) Had challenged dog owners recently for bringing them into the Club grounds.

(PC) Raised proposal made by Seniors, on the availability of greens to non bowling team members. A proposal was made that the current rule was maintained – this was agreed.

(WH) Asked if prize money from the Seniors League had been received. Noone was aware of anything being presented at the playoffs.

Tonie was to ask if the ‘sections’ were helping to resolve the Club’s cash flow problems at their next ‘sections’ meeting. He was also going to advise the meeting of the planned installation of more plastic seating; the forthcoming ‘County’ bowls meeting at which the All England Finals

would be on the agenda; the bowls Presentation night planned in the bar on the 6th December; and clarification around the 'no dogs' policy. The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday 12th November at 11.00am in the bowls pavilion, and the meeting closed at 12.20pm.