



SIDCUP BOWLS CLUB

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MINUTES OF BOWLS COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on Monday 4th December 2023

Present

Mr J Trotman	Captain	Mr K O'Connor	Assistant Secretary
Mr J Bunce	Vice captain/Fixtures	Mr D Smith	Committee Member
Mr B Henderson	Secretary	Mr N. Florey	Committee Member
Mr T Lush	Green Keeper	Mr S Moore	Committee Member
		Mrs M. Beedle	

1. Apologies

Mr C Baugh, Mr S Stotesbury

2. Minutes of the previous Meeting

The minutes from the previous meeting were agreed as read and duly signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes

Any matters arising will be covered in the following reports

4. Committee Members' Reports

Captain

Captain asked the meeting to stand for a minutes silence in honour of Bill Tivey and John Tossell who had recently died.

Captain reported that the main irrigation tank had been emptied and it would appear that there was no leak. A new foundation will now be prepared and the tank repositioned by the next working party.

Vice-Captain

Bunny reported that most fixtures were now in place for 2024. The NWK fixtures are due in January. He also reported that Roger Walker had been in contact with regard to the possibility of a friendly match with his new team, Hythe. It was agreed that if a date could be found that this invitation would be accepted.

Secretary

Brian reported:

Nic Bennett had confirmed that the PCL Cup prize money of £150 had been transferred across to the SBC bank account.

He had received the NWKENT league AGM minutes that he would distribute to anyone who wanted to see them.

He had received details of the proposed NWK Charity Cup against the Cup winners Blackheath that is to be played on the 2nd May 2024 at a neutral venue. Normal 2 Triples format with bowlers who had played in the NWK league. Prize £125 to go to winner's chosen charity.

He had started to enter the entries for the L&SC comps. Entrants need to be decided for the Challenge Shield, Gold Badge, Lonsdale, Pairs, Triples and Fours.

Possible players discussed i.e.

Gold Badge: Mark Garrard

Lonsdale: Paul Payne

Pairs: Stuart Stotesbury/Roger Woodward

Triples: John Talbot/Keith Pierce/Clive Baugh

4's: John Russell/Sid Smith/Tony Lush/Mick Hooper

Brian will check with Roger Woodward that he wishes to play.

Clive to pay £137. Challenge shield £20, others £18, plus £27.50 affiliation fee.

He has nominated Mark Garrard and Mavis Beedle for the Bowls England Champion of Champions.

Clive has paid the Bexley Entrance fees.

National Competitions open 4th December 2023. Players to be selected.

He had started to prepare the 2024 Fixture List and had received Ladies Jubilee fixtures from Mavis. He asked that fixture information be passed to him as soon as available. As usual, the first match will be against VCD on April 28th.

Match Secretary

No report.

Treasurer

Clive being absent no report was given..

KCBA Delegate

Reported above

Green Ranger

Tony reported that:

The moss infestation had been treated. With the colder weather there has been little growth and the wormcasts have reduced. A further moss treatment will be carried out in December. Then a further treatment will be applied 6 weeks before the start of the new season before re-seeding. Otherwise the green is in good order and the sweeping can begin.

A new cheaper source for the chemicals required has been identified.

Nigel Pezet has put himself forward to assist Tony with the mowing.

5. Any Other Business

Review of AGM

Agreed that the event had gone off well. Attendance was the same as last year which was disappointing given a number of the Ladies has attended for the first time so attendance by the Men was down.

No formal vote on the Financial report and accounts was taken. It was agreed that as there had been no objections or matters raised that the accounts be deemed as approved.

Given the discussion of the Dress motion raised resulted in its rejection, the existing rules on dress will continue to apply. It was agreed that this will be re-emphasised at the start of the new season.

Working parties

As mentioned earlier, the water tank is to be repositioned by the working party team. and more fully supported

Affiliation fees

Clive to provide Brian with the funds to pay the affiliation fees before his departure on holiday.

New Jacks

6 white and 6 yellow jacks to be purchased. Deal to be sought through Forseys. Clive to provide cash.

Tony Kirby

An application to re-join the SRC and SBC has been submitted by Tony Kirby. After representations from the SBC members of the SRC committee it was agreed to accept his application.

Bromley Indoors match

Agreed that the club will participate again but only based on 6 rinks.

Website

Kerry informed the committee that he is planning to drop all the external match results pages as the considerable work involved was not reciprocated by the usage. The internal competition charts

will be continued with as they do provide a useful function i.e. check match status without having to view the charts in the pavilion.

Internal competition entry

It was agreed that the rule requiring that if you cannot commit to participation during the finals weekend, don't enter in the first place, will be re-emphasised.

6. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 5th February 2024 at 5:00pm.

Signed as a True Copy _____