

GREAT HOLLANDS BOWLS CLUB

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Executive Committee Meeting – 17th July 2023

Treasurer's report

1) Financial situation

I have attached a copy of the latest Profit and Loss account and the Balance Sheet. We currently have a surplus of £6,799.99. Of course, we have the fee for the maintenance of the green to pay and another electricity bill.

Subscriptions are just above the total for last year.

2) New members

Applications are being processed for a further 7 new bowling members and 1 social member. Four of these have already paid. The totals are as follows:

	Men	Ladies	Total
Bowling	45	29	74
Social	11	17	28
Total	54	46	102

These figures are 6 more than the numbers we had at the end of last year (2 fewer bowlers and 8 more social members). I have updated the membership list and will circulate to all members after I have validated the details for the new members.

I have added all the names of new members to the match booking system.

3) Match Booking System

At the request of Mike Bowden, I have introduced a "Social League" to the match booking system. This enables anyone with access to send a message to all Social Members, in the same way that we can send an email to all Bowling Members. Mike has asked that the Social Members be informed when matches are cancelled in case they were coming to watch.

4) Electricity

Dealing with the Electricity Supplier continues to be a nightmare. We have just received our first invoice since the new meter was installed on 17th November. The invoice only covers electricity used up to 28th February. The rates increased from 15p per kwh to 44p per kwh for daytime use and from 11p per kwh to 34p per kwh.

I have yet to agree the apportionment with the Council and to agree how to incorporate the data re charging vehicles.

5) Purchase of sets of bowls for use by new members

I was asked by the Committee to explore the possibility of purchasing new sets of bowls for use by new members. I had a chat with Cotswold Bowls. Drakes Pride offer "Club bowls" at a special price of £215, rather than the list price of £270, a discount of £55.

These are available in sizes 000, 00, 0 and 1, as we discussed - I did not ask about size 0000.

They are available in several different types, but I would suggest that Drakes Pride Professional would be the best choice.

Drakes Pride will stamp these with the name of the club, so increase security. Cost £1,720, plus 8 carriers I guess. Delivery is around 20 weeks, so we are looking at new season for these, if we decide to go ahead.

Ken Perrett, Treasurer

14th July 2023