

APPROVED MINUTES

GREAT HOLLANDS BOWLS CLUB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

17th July 2023 at 10.00am

Location: Club House

Present: Olive Bambury – President, Lorraine Capon – Chairperson, Ken Perrett – Treasurer, Phil Sherman – Club manager, Ray Furnell – Club captain, Barbara Harris – Social Committee

1 Chairman to open meeting

The meeting opened at 10am.

2 Social Committee

Barbara joined the meeting to discuss the Social Events

2.1 40th Anniversary

We are grateful that one of our new Social Members, Charlie Drury, has volunteered to do the barbecue. Barbara wondered whether we could invite past members. Ray will send out an email to all members with details of the day. Barbara asked the Committee if she could purchase a banner for the 40th Anniversary, at a cost of around £30. This was agreed. Ray suggested that we order an anniversary cake for the occasion. This was agreed.

Action 1: Ray Furnell to send out an email to all members with information about the 40th Anniversary.

2.2 Finals Weekend

The Social Committee will organise a ploughman's lunch for the Finals Weekend. Barbara will ask Angie if she can prepare a sign up list for the lunches.

2.3 Presentation of Trophies

We agreed Nov 18th lunchtime at the club for the Presentation of Trophies. Barbara is in discussions with the Pinewood Café about the menu.

2.4 Programme of activities

The Social Committee is looking at preparing a winter programme. Ray suggested that the Social Committee select dates convenient to the committee. We will include Crib, Short Mat, and Craft mornings in the programme.

2.5 Dead Shrubs

Barbara asked Phil if he could ask the council to remove a couple of dead shrubs by the water tank.

Action 2: Phil to arrange removal of two dead shrubs by the water tank.

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2.6 Pictures of past activities

Ray asked if the Social Committee might be able to organise some photos of past events at the club for display at the 40th Anniversary event.

Barbara Harris left the meeting at this point.

3 Minutes of the previous meeting

Phil proposed and Minutes and Ray seconded. The minutes were agreed and signed.

4 Matters arising from the minutes

Ray has looked at installing a TV. Ray suggests we can install a TV at a cost of £300-£500. We would need a TV licence and possibly a licence for clubs. We can put messages on the TV.

Action 3: Ray to investigate the requirements for a TV licence for the club.

5 Review of the Action List

We reviewed the action list.

5.1 Defibrillator

Re action 18 – Lorraine has enquired about getting a defibrillator. £430 per year is the cheapest offer she has found so far.

We decided to go ahead with the purchase of a defibrillator service at a cost of around £430 per year.

We will ask the First Aiders to organise training for the club.

Action 4: Lorraine to discuss the new fibrillatory and training with the first aiders.

5.2 Storage for umbrellas and chairs

Phil has found a storage bin which will accommodate the chairs and umbrellas. This will cost around £500. This was agreed. Phil will order and install.

Action 5: Phil to order and install a new storage bin.

5.3 Advertising

Lorraine has asked the Council about possible advertising. We will need to get approval on a case-by-case basis from the Town Council and possibly the Borough Council.

6 Secretary's correspondence.

We went through the notes in the suggestions box.

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6.1 Club being locked on 24th June.

A member reported that she came to the club at 4pm on 24th June and the club was locked. The match was cancelled and so it appears that it was decided to lock the club. This was a one-off. Lorraine will send a reply.

6.2 Updating the club shirts

We have received two requests from various members to change the club shirts. We agreed to ask a group of members to investigate designs, costs and implications for the change.

Action 6: Lorraine to ask group of members to investigate designs, costs and implications for a change of club shirts.

6.3 Suggestion for the two wood competition

A member has suggested that we combine the ladies and mens' 2-wood for next year if we have insufficient people for separate competitions. We thought that this is a good suggestion and will pass this to the Competitions Secretary.

7 Treasurer's report.

The Treasurer's report is attached.

Ken announced that he will not be re-joining the club in 2024 as he is taking a break from bowls. The Committee discusses the next steps in finding people to take on the role of Treasurer and other tasks currently done by Ken.

8 Club house manager's report.

Phil's report had been covered by the Action List.

9 Club captain's report.

We discussed ways in which Ray could improve the communication with the membership.

10 Council Meeting

Next meeting is on 16th August at 10am.

11 Any other business

11.1 Green edges

It was noted that the Greenkeeper seems to have stopped leaving the edges of the green slightly longer. We will address this at the next meeting with the Town Council.

12 Date of next meeting

14th August at 10am

