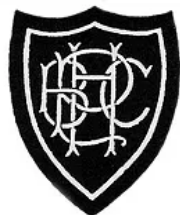


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Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting 28th October 2022

Richard Opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Attendees – Hugh Neale, Richard Amess, John Nicholls, Dave Tutton, Roy Wood, Richard Stone and Eddie Blakemore.

Minute taker – Julie Anderson

1. The minutes of the meeting of 28th September were agreed as an accurate record and signed off.

2. Matters arising

D & D Finals Incidence. RA

A letter has been received from Peter Spittie, addressed to RA, as chairman) reporting an incident on finals day, where a visitor had fallen backwards off a chair and into the “Fox Fence” and was hurt. Peter had written the letter, as he had received an initial letter of complaint from the chairman of Bexleyheath & Barnehurst bowls club.

B&B has requested answers to a number of bullet point questions and requested answer from our club. No club member that attended the day was aware of the incident or any of the points raised and we will respond accordingly.

Castle Water. RA

An e-mail has been received from the supplier, requesting to provide all previous information again, effectively starting the whole issue & process again. This obviously is not acceptable to the club and the next step will be to raise with OFWAT ombudsman.

New Bowls stickers. RA

We now have 500 newly designed bowls stickers for sale next season at 50p per strip (2).

Presentation Dinner Status. RA

There are 37 people attending this year's Presentation evening and it was thought that we may change to round tables, they incur an additional cost for the round tablecloths. The committee agreed to change.

The Club trophies and glassware engraving costs are £650 this year.

2023 Presentation Dinner Venue. HN

Due to the reduced numbers this year, we should consider a different venue next year. Stone Lodge do not may a charge for the hire of the hall, providing we use the internal caterers, that would save £200.

We could also look for a different disco, but it was felt we would not get any cheaper than the current

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£150. It was suggested a Saturday on 25th November. HN will provisionally book this if available and liaise with RA once booked.

Social Committee 2023. HN

After the request to members to join the above, the committee members are Jackie Amess, Kaye Martin, Teresa Deamer, David Pointer, Stuart Pointe, Sarah Pointer, Hugh Neale, Jan Bassett & David Bassett.

Thank you to the members that were on last year's committee.

The first meeting will be on Sunday 30th October. Vicky will stand down but will help with the events. Minutes will be taken and any expenditure to be agreed beforehand.

Xmas Party. HN

This will be on Sunday 11th December at 2pm at the Clubhouse.

Xmas Lunch. HN

For the after Xmas Lunch' it was suggested a possible change of venue to 'The Rose' or other nearby venue, a quiz could be done by the Joan & David Bassetts etc.

New Members Section – HN

With reference to last month's minutes, a number of concerns from members that an 'Interview' for new members was too formal and just a chat in the clubhouse after the session would be less autocratic and more "sociable" as an "interview" could well put potential new members off from joining.

Ladies League. HN

As there is no restrictions in the club's constitution on who can "take" ladies league games, it was agreed that Pauline can take the games and Eddie will help. Pauline's name to be included in fixture book for other clubs to contact for ladies' league games only.

Officers and Committees Reports.

a) Hon. Secretary – HN

The honours boards have been taken down ready to be replaced by A£ sheets. Fred can type all the sheets and Roy can print on his A3 printer. Di Coopey still has our A3 printer and RA will contact her for its return. New Frames are needed and we will bring examples at our next committee meeting.

The Kitchen light sensor appears to need replacing which Hugh will do. Some lights not igniting, and new 'LED' required for these which will cost approx. £100 this expenditure was agreed as they would be more efficient.

NW Kent association have asked if we want to compete in their league next year, but this would mean a lot of travelling. If anyone is interested Hugh has the relevant forms to complete.

Hon Treasurer. HN

A lot of expenditure has been spent on the green since end of Sept to Colliers for end season treatments. £506, £738 & £650. The prostate charity cheque for £1073 has not cleared yet, leaving a balance of £14511,

The new mower and engraving costs will be paid soon.

Captain. DT

Nothing to report

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Vice Caption. EB

Nothing to report.

Fixtures Secretary. JN

Folkestone game is now cancelled and replaced by a friendly with OGF on 7th May. The first game of the season with Invicta is cancelled and all other games will be triples. Orpington has cancelled their game also the Hartley game, as it coincides with Father's Day. OGF have advised they will play in Greys, and we will keep to our dress code.

Open days should be earlier next year and will be discussed at a later date.

Competition Secretary. RA

As I am standing down after the 2023 season, Paul Challis will take my place and therefore will shadow me next season to get to know the system.

All the cups' trophies have been engraved for the presentation.

The Salway is now cancelled and the New Bowlers cup unless sufficient entries. The Alice & Wally Lewing Day will be renamed as the "Memorial Day" to cover all former members.

Representative Updates

KCBA Rep. DT

I have taken over from Vic and will go to the next meeting at Maidstone him to be sworn in.

D & D Rep. RS

RS has taken over from DT and awaiting date of next meeting,.

Maintenance & Development – RW

The honour boards are now stored and the wall has its first coat of paint. The men's toilet refurb starts next Saturday and will be finished by 11th Dec. The new grass is growing and not so may worm casts, but will be treated again. We have enough timber to replace those that are decayed.

The new mower will be serviced on arrival, plus the old mower. The box on the tap was vandalised and will be replaced by a metal surround. The back door security bar has been repaired; one sprinkler still needs repairing. The metal rink markers have been refurbished and painted.

A letter has been received from 'Protsearch' in conjunction with DBC to inspect our clubhouse which includes a list of questions to be answered. Hugh, Roy & Richard will discuss and answer. We need to remove "special" items from the premises before the inspection occurs,

Social Committee status – HN

See matters arising.

Welfare Rep – JA

Eddie Judd is still in Kings Hospital and doesn't look like he will be coming out. RA still to contact Barry Lloyd re defib.

Any other business.

JN - Still not agreed whether next year's league games have been reduced to 4 rinks.

RA – Can the social committee take on the Presentation dinner next year with help from me.

HN –I have received a number of phone calls to my landline as Secretary, which he thought were from our Facebook Page, but as far as we can see there are no phone numbers on there. We have two Facebook pages one of these needs to be removed as it very confusing. Hugh to speak to Stuart.

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JA – Gravesend are not willing to sell us their spare pushers.

RS – I have a contact who will have the glass cabinet.

Meeting closed at 11.55.

Next meeting will be on Monday 5th December at 10am Clubhouse.

Minutes approved as a true record of the meeting and signed by Committee Charmain.

Signed Date
Chairman.