

BOWLS DORSET

(THE UNIFIED GOVERNING BODY FOR THE SPORT OF FLAT GREEN BOWLS IN DORSET)

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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING HELD ON Tuesday 28 February 2023 at 11.00am AT DORCHESTER BOWLING CLUB

- E 023/23** **PRESENT-** Shirley Bowley, Bill Fox, Harry Hovenden, Sue Maggs, Janine Scola, Alexander Wilson, Marion Clements
- E 024/23** **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE-** Ann Allman, Margaret Clapp,
- E 025/23** **OBITUARIES: -**
Chris Thompson (Gillingham) ; Pam Montgomerie Greenhill (B.D. President 2015)
Hazel Fellows (Greenhill and Wellworthy);Bill Jenkins (Sherborne);Roy Campbell (Wimborne)
Steve Baker (PBO)
Marian and Margaret would prepare words for the website in memory of Pam Montgomerie
- E 026/23** **MINUTES of MEETING HELD 17 January 2023**
Agreed - proposed by Janine Scola seconded by Bill Fox signed by Alexander Wilson
- E 027/23** **MATTERS ARISING from Minutes not already on the agenda**
i) **E 006/23 i) Dorset Youth Bowls Sponsorship.** On going.
ii) **E 006/23 ii) Sponsorship on website-** On going
iii) **E 006/23 /22 iii) Finals weekends for 2023-** re confirmed following no changes following voting at BE AGM
iv) **E 009/23 – SWCL-** The associate member fee of £30.00 had been paid to register the SWCL with B.E.
v) **E 016/23 -Stickers –** ongoing -awaiting artwork to be completed
vi) **E 017/23- Badges and Flashes-** Flashes on order, badges in stock
vii) **E 020/23 -NATIONAL ENTRIES INCL C of C –** All entries had been completed
viii) **E 021/23 - Rules and Regulations/ Constitution-** Review ongoing
- E 028/23** **CORRESPONDANCE-**
All Bowls England correspondence had been circulated, including Board minutes .
B.E. had requested the dates of the ¼, semi and finals for the county in order that they may visit and watch for “talent”.
Aviva and Bowls England had announced a “multi- year Partnership”
- E 029/23** **TREASURERS REPORT**
As attached
- E 030/23** **LADIES SECRETARY REPORT**
Mo Monkton had contacted Sue, regarding Senior trials nominations as Performance Director, John McGuinness was taking leave of absence for health reasons. The forms for Junior Nominations would be sent later.
- E 031/23** **LADIES MATCH SECRETARY REPORT**
In the absence of Margaret- Sue Maggs reported the match against Bournemouth & District Ladies, would be 18 August, a venue was being sought. Penny had confirmed that the Amy Rose would be played at Poole Park.

- E 032/23 MEN'S SECRETARY REPORT**
Alexander had attended a "drop in" which had covered, the Big Bowls Bash, Competitions Working Party, Big Bowls Weekend, and various other subjects. The main topic was safeguarding and the requirement of every club to have a Safeguarding Officer who has attended a course. There may be a bursary for training. The report from the drop in had since been circulated to all committees and clubs.
- E 033/23 MEN'S MATCH SECRETARY REPORT**
Bill reported that he will be looking at Coach hire for some matches. He was made aware that Swards from Axminster, who have been used so often in the past, were no longer available. Self-drive option may be considered.
- E 034/23 LADIES COMPETITION SECRETARY-**
Ann Had little to report as it has been a quiet period after getting all the County and Dorset Competitions ready for BD website. She reported that there had been a few changes of matches for the EP which both Marion and herself were aware of due to various reasons.
- E 035/23 MEN'S COMPETITION SECRETARY-**
Nothing to report.
- E 036/23 WEBSITE-**
On going.
- E 037/23 LADIES COUNTY DWBL CO-OPTION**
There had only been one positive reply from the clubs regarding this vacancy and that had been from Lyme Regis. Allan Weech having read the "Job Description" had offered and been accepted to be co-opted as the Secretary of the Bowls Dorset DWBL for 2023.
- E 038/23 REVIEW B.E. AGM**
This had been attended by Sue and Alexander- the B.E. proposal for increase in their affiliation fees, was carried, therefore from 2024 the clubs will be paying £7.00 per member. The meeting was then informed that if the B.E. proposal for amendments to National Finals for 2023 was carried, then neither the Dorset or Worcester proposals would be voted on- they would be "lost". This had caused quite a debate regarding the Worcester proposal for 2024. But no vote was allowed, following the carrying of the B.E. proposal.
National Finals will be over 18 days, the qualifiers will be top 27 counties in each discipline will have 2 qualifiers, and others will have 1 , giving 62 qualifiers in total for each discipline
In reality for Dorset Ladies may get 2 in each discipline, but for the men it will depend on number of entries received by B.E
There was a presentation for Bowls Bash, Pay and Play and affiliation fees. The Committee were unanimous in approving the proposal that the Chairman write in complaint to B.E. regarding the blocking of the vote for the Worcester proposal for 2024
- E 039/23 ANY OTHER BUSINES**
- i) **Affiliation forms-** these had been sent and all but 2 clubs had acknowledged receipt. A covering note had been included to advise of increase for 2024.
 - ii) **Greenhill Shirts-** Notification has been received that Greenhill Monday night league will no longer be wearing dark blue with red trim shirts- they will revert to wearing the club registered shirt of predominantly white with vertical stripes of blue, yellow and red.
 - iii) **Branksome Park,** - a request had been received from Branksome Park for their Men's First team to register a different shirt, jacket and shorts and trousers. The Committee agreed unanimously, to approve changes for the

shirt and jacket . However, until the B D regulations are changed, the approval of changes for trousers and shorts cannot be approved.

- iv) **National Competition Areas** – an enquiry from B.E regarding changes for these areas, would be referred to the Men's and Ladies delegates meetings, and would not affect this years draw.

E 040/23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date of the next meeting of the Executive Board. 13 March for Rules & Regulation and 24 March 10.00am

Meeting closed 12.40

SIGNED.....

Date.....

BOWLS DORSET EXECUTIVE MEETING 28 FEBRUARY 2023

The current account stands at £13.8k and the e-savings account at £30.7k

I have paid the competition entry fees to Bowls England of £3141, of which £1488.50 was for the ladies and £1652.50 for the ladies.

The ladies entries overall are very similar to last year. However the entries for the men are about £200 less than last year.

Interest received has increased on the e-savings account and last month it was £15 giving a total of £40 year to date.

Other than that things are quiet at the moment but that will change as we get nearer to the start of the season, especially when affiliation fees become due.