

**Minutes of the meeting of the Abingdon Bowling Club Joint Playing Committee on 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020 in the clubhouse.**

**1. Welcome**

Marion Booth, President welcomed the following to the meeting:- Maurice Booth (Vice President & Preston Cup Manager), Christine Norton (Secretary), Peter Rogers (Competitions Secretary & Greenkeeper), Brian Lacey (Mens Captain), Ann Jennaway (Ladies Captain), Christine Balcher (Recruitment Manager), Richard Sambell (Fixtures Secretary)

**2. Apologies**

Lorette Burton & Martin Heath

**3. Minutes of last meeting**

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed by Marion Booth

**4. Matters arising**

The 2020 Mayors match will this year be held away at City and County.

Richard still intends to send out an email to the KL players within the club to obtain their views on the proposal to reduce KL matches to 18 ends, that may be tabled at the KL pre-season meeting in April.

Marion has spoken to Sandra Harrison from Thatcham re the sourcing of their Honours Boards who has suggested that Gordon Ballantyne is the appropriate person to speak to, which Peter has agreed to do.

It was agreed at the meeting that we would discuss the Triangular catering nearer the time and when Lorette is back from Australia.

Christine Belcher has not heard any more about the dates for the Community shop.

Fixture cards are now ready and Committee members were given a copy. Maurice (in Richard's absence) will take the remaining copies to the clubhouse in time for members to collect at the AGM.

Peter has changed the numbers on the score boards which are now metal so should last a lot longer. There were purchased from Unit 5, Industrial Estate, Lyford.

Lots of ideas for Cooker and dishwasher have been put forward by Martin Heath, Marion, Ann, Jill (the caterer) and Lorette to select from.

## 5. Correspondence

Martin sent an email apologising for not being able to attend this meeting but confirming that he has sent out emails to Wednesday league captains asking for their team members. He also sent me a few emails that he proposes to send out, one re offer from Lorette to get the food. He also has one to send to new members to encourage them to put their names on the waiting list n club notice board. Committee were happy with both to be sent out.

Email received from Margaret Taylor of Caversham Bowling Club with details of their 2 wood mixed day on 23<sup>rd</sup> August. Chris to put on notice board.

Email received from Gillian Chamberlain requesting donations to the charity being supported by Andy Knapper and the England Bowls Team. KL have sponsored £100. Christine to send email to Geoff Twinn.

Email received to advise that Jane Murphy has resigned as Manager of Johns Trophy and Walker cup. New Manager now needed.

## 6. Officers Reports

### a. Ladies Captain

Ann attended the Ridgeway meeting and tried to get the rules changed to allow The Elders to use one of the Junipers for one game if short. We are the only club that has two teams but they would not change the rules and advised that we can use somebody from another club.

### b. Mens Captain

Oxford District game cancelled and City and County Game also cancelled, both due to lack of players on their side. Brian recommends that both these fixtures are scrapped and succeeded by a match at Oxford District against Wantage.

### c. Wednesday League Manager

Not Present at meeting but email received in correspondence

### d. Recruitment Manager

Christine to chase community shop.

Fliers are going out in the next couple of weeks.

Short mat could also be promoted as part of the clubs facilities.

### e. Competitions Secretary

Entry forms for club competitions were sent out by John Faint with the membership renewals and this year include the Mixed Pairs.

### f. Fixtures Secretary

Fixture cards for 2020 complete (see above).

### g. Catering Manager

Lorette has received email from Jill confirming the dates and the cost will be £7 per meal as last year. It was agreed that the club would charge £7.50 with the 50p going towards club funds.

**h. Short Mat**

Short Mat still going very well.

Knights 5<sup>th</sup>, Night Owls bottom of evening leagues. Park Rangers 1<sup>st</sup>, Optimists 5<sup>th</sup>, Bishops 7<sup>th</sup> & Ascendants bottom of afternoon leagues.

Peter may put proposals forward to the league to change the points system in 2020..

**7. Report from Executive**

No meeting held yet.

**8. A O B**

Maurice is going to apply for the licences for Gala Day and Preston Cup within the next two weeks and will run the Preston Cup on the same basis as adopted successfully in 2019.

Next meeting to be held on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 10am in the clubhouse.

Minutes read and approved as a true record

Signed by.....

President

Date.....

