

RAMSEY BOWLS CLUB
Minutes of Ramsey Bowls Club Committee Meeting
held on Monday 27 January 2025 at 10.00 am at Ramsey Bowls Club

PRESENT:

Tracy Core	President
Les Collyer	Vice President
Barry Sharman	Treasurer
Gill Willis	Secretary
Martin Francis	Match Secretary
Ali McCormick	Social Secretary
Geoff Willis	Green Officer
Barry McCormick	Committee Member

1. Apologies

- None
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2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Approved
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3. Matters from Previous Minutes

- The Board agreed to fund the leveller that Richard Shilling had suggested. Gill will ask him to order this
- The fencing for the car park will go ahead during this financial year
- Tracy will get the details for a coaching course. Ross has expressed an interest so it will be suggested to him that the Bowls Club will pay half of the fee
- Irene will take up the post of HWBF delegate
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4. President's Report

- Tracy said there is nothing to report at the moment and that she is looking forward to the next season.
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5. Vice President's Report

- Les will take over organising roll ups and the rota
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6. Treasurer's Report

- We have £2417 in the bank at the moment. This includes £500 for the bench from the estate of David Potts

7. Secretary's Report

- The Ruffles had sent an email saying they would not be rejoining. Paul Allen will also not be rejoining.

8. Social Secretary's Report

- There won't be a quiz in February because of refurbishment
- Barry will find out when the Bowls Club was first formed
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9. Green Liaison Officer's Report

The brown patches on the green will disappear and it has been brushed regularly
It will be mowed when it is not too wet
We will have a trial at moving the rinks at the beginning of the season
Drill holes and clean ditch mats on 3 March Put ditch mats in 5 March
Set up the green 31 March
The hedgehog ramp needs painting

10 Match/Competition Secretary's Report

The information re team games and trophy competitions is on the website
Dates already decided are also in there.

11. Big Bowls Weekend

This will be on Sunday 21 May and Barry will register us with Bowls England Juniors.

12. Juniors

Tracy will meet up with Maddie Leader once the season starts to see how she works with the juniors

13. Safeguarding

Tracy has done the training and is happy to be the Bowls safeguarding officer

14. Dates for next season

County Trials for men Saturday 10 May

President's Day Sunday 11 May

Bury v Ramsey Sunday 31 August

Ladies v Gents Sunday 27 July

15. Friendlies

Yaxley and Whittlesey have been in contact re matches

Tracy will write to all secretaries re arranging games.

16. Feedback from meetings

Men's League AGM..they may go to 4 divisions in 2026. The captain has to give 12 days notice not 8 to change the date of a match

EBA..safeguarding officer should be registered with Bowls England. There is a list of committee vacancies on the website. There will not be any friendlies or PPA in 2025

17. Presentation of Trophies and Prizes

The plaques did not go down very well so will not do these this season. We will go back to monetary prizes, the amount depending on the number of entries.

A lot of members were not there to collect their trophies so it was decided that they would be presented at the end of each final in 2025.

Before sign up night Gill will send an email out to members informing them of the changes to presentation of the trophies and the prizes

18. Winner and Runner up Prizes

This was covered in agenda item 17

19 A.O.B

Ali would like a letter sent re the constitution not being adhered to at the HWBF AGM. It would need to stick to the facts of where the constitution was breached

The hedge at the side will hopefully be removed before the start of the season

Members who leave the club will be removed from the 2 What's App groups. Gill will put a link for members on the next email and also a reminder about using Easy Fundraising Should we put up a banner/flag to attract people when we are playing. Geoff will price a flag

There will be bacon butties as usual at the first roll up

Date of next meeting Monday 24 February at 10.00am