

RAMSEY BOWLS CLUB

Minutes of Ramsey Bowls Club Committee Meeting
held on 5 February 2024 at 10.30am at Ramsey Bowls Club

PRESENT:

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

1. Apologies

- None

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Barry Sharman was not down as Treasurer

3. Matters from Previous Minutes

- Gill will check if everyone has a locker key and where Patsy's went.

4. President's Report

- Barry had nothing to report.

5. Vice President's Report

- Tracy asked what the role of Vice President was. Basically to shadow the President at events and support where necessary as there is no defined job description.

6. Secretary's Report

- We had 2 new members join in January and 2 who have not renewed.
- All fees for the leagues have been paid.

7. Treasurer's Report

- There is £1192.75 in the account.
- Barry is now keeping an electronic record of the accounts.

8. Social Secretary's Report

- The quizzes are under way. Tracy and Phil are doing the February quiz and will get the prizes.
- Ali felt the Open Triples Day was not necessarily the job of the Social Secretary so Tracy offered to organise this.

9. Green Officer's Report

- The green is being cut regularly and sprayed to kill the moss.
- Nothing special that Richard wants help with at the moment.
- Geoff said the furniture will need treating before the start of the season.

10. Match Secretary's Report

- Martin had the invoice for the Rink Diary which is paid by the main Club.
- In the men's league there are 3 occasions when both teams are at home.

11. Club Competitions and Fees

- There was discussion as to whether or not we should give prize money, a small plaque, certificate etc. This wasn't resolved so will be decided at a future meeting.
- Entry fees will still be £3.

12. Club Open Triples

- As minuted previously Tracy will run this day.
- The details will be discussed at the next meeting.

13. Communication with Judith

- Gill will continue to ask Judith for the names of members who have joined or not renewed monthly.

14. Presentation Dinner

- This evoked a lot of discussion. There was concern that numbers were down at the last one. Was it the format or the cost?
- It was agreed that maybe we should ask the members what sort of evening they would like. This will be done at roll ups and maybe via an email.
- Still ongoing to decide what sort of evening we should hold. Main meal, buffet, entertainment.

- 15. Press Officer Role**
 - Barry is happy to do this again.
- 16. Constitution Wording**
 - This was changed in line with recommendations at the AGM.
- 17. Big Bowls Weekend**
 - Bowls England suggest running this over Bank Holiday Weekend 24 – 27 May.
 - It was decided to have an open day on Sunday 26 May.
 - Gill will have the date added to the Live Diary.
- 18. Membership Fees**
 - Tracy had looked at other clubs as a comparison.
 - We cannot, as a bowls club set the fees as this is done by the Board. Our fees did not increase for this season.
- 19. Delegates Reports**
 - EBA may introduce new competitions.
 - Handbooks should be out early April.
 - EBF the new shirts are going ahead.
- 20. Refreshments at Millicent Childs**
 - It was suggested that we pay Sarah for tea and coffee and we provide the biscuits.
 - We would charge £2 home and away to cover this.
- 21. A.O.B.**
 - Geoff suggested that we could do a membership draw again to raise some funds. It was agreed it would be started at the first roll up. Ali would sort this out. £5 a ticket
 - Ali suggested Easy Fund Raising...she would look into this and report back at the next meeting.
 - Will do a spider on the first roll up on Tuesday 2 April. There will be bacon rolls on that day.
 - A rota will continue to avoid bowling in cliques.
 - It was agreed to set up the green on Monday 25 March at 10.30.
 - Gill can't do the booklets until all the league dates, ladies, men and Millicent Childs are published. We will keep the same colour and the same entry code.

Next meeting will be Monday 22 April at 11.00 am

