

RAMSEY BOWLS CLUB

Minutes of Ramsey Bowls Club Committee Meeting
held on 2 September 2024 at 11.00 am at Ramsey Bowls Club

PRESENT:

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

1. Apologies

- None

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Approved

3. Matters from Previous Minutes

- Gill will bring up at the board meeting about quizzes and advertising boards
- Scoreboards are roughly £100 each, will try to think of a sponsor for these.
- Gill will check if we can have the rams head on our stickers and what the cost would be

4. President's Report

- We have had some good successes this year with Gill getting to Skegness and Ally, Tracy, Jill and Gill getting to Leamington. Phil and Gill also reached their respective League Singles final.
- The League results were not so good however.
- Good that we had the Durham Cup finals at Ramsey and it went well.

5. Vice President's Report

- Tracy said she felt everything was good and all going well

6. Treasurer's Report

- There is £2025.33 in the bank as of now

7. Secretary's Report

- Gill had received a letter from the Solicitor to say we had been left £500 in David Potts' estate to buy a bench for the club.
- There had been a request from Sussex to host a match between our club and a team of Sussex County Presidents. Gill would email back to say we could do Wednesday 17 September 2025.

8. Social Secretary's Report

- Our next social event is Bury v Ramsey. We will run a spider.

9. Green Officer's Report

- Richard will spray to try and eradicate the disease.
- Next year the green will be rolled every 2 weeks
- Although it isn't easy the watering can be turned off if it isn't needed.
- We will ask Richard to come to a meeting before the start of the season.

10. Match Secretary's Report

- There are still a few outstanding club games to be played.
- County forms are online and Martin would like them to be filled in that way. However, he will still be at the club on 9 October for people who do not wish to enter this way.
- It was suggested that Lesley Stevens be presented with a gift at the presentation evening for doing the match food
- The finals will be mostly in the morning and the afternoon
- Bunting will be put up for the weekend by Tracy

11. Membership Raffle

- All in hand

12. Player scouting

- It was felt this was something to be done on a 1to 1 personal level

13. Safeguarding

- Ali is happy to be Safeguarding officer but cannot attend the meeting on 5 October. Tracy has said she will attend in her place.

14. Coaching training and marker's course

- A few members have done the marker's course.

- Tracy will see if she can find out about any further courses for markers or coaches.
- 15. Celebration Evening**
- At the moment we have 42 members down to attend
 - Gill will ask Louise if she would price a balloon display
- 16. Nomination for EBF Presidents**
- Barry and Ali think they would like to be joint Presidents. Barry would like to do it but Ali is still unsure.
- 17. Funds for Rita's garden**
- Tracy said the garden needed weed membrane and bark and she is happy to put this down. It also needs new plants
 - The small plaque needs replacing. Gill will have a new one made when she has the one done for the seat in memory of David Potts
- 18. AGM**
- Gill will send out the minutes from the 2023 AGM along with the notice of the AGM 2024
- 19. Cup Competitions 2025**
- We should choose more carefully which cup competitions we want the club to enter.
 - We will maybe cut out Top Club for both men and ladies.
 - We will consider the others nearer the time
- 20. Rink markings and move management**
- There was much discussion as to whether or not there is any benefit in moving the rinks every so often
 - The general consensus was that there would be little benefit
 - It was decided however to move rink 1 when we set up next season to see if it makes a difference to the way it bowls
- 21. Update equipment and Honours Board**
- At the moment we are OK for equipment
 - We will keep the Mixed Pairs Honours Board and use them for the Open Pairs.
 - We need new boards for the Aussie Pairs and the Maiden Cup
- 22. Monthly communication**
- Barry said as Press officer, he will inform members each month of any events that are happening.

23. A.O.B.

- We will have a Christmas Jumper evening on Friday 20 December
- Barry will captain the Bury team on Sunday and Les the Ramsey team. There will be sweets for people who touch the jack
- We will take the mats up on 17 October
- The last roll up will be on Tuesday 1 October so that we can offer bacon butties. Gill will put up a sign up form and check with Sarah. Tracy will sort this on the day and collect the money.

Date of next meeting Wednesday 23 October at 11.00am