

## MEN'S SECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

19<sup>th</sup> July 2019

10.00am

Present: D.Richardson – Chair   W.Allen – Vice-chair   L.Wise – Secretary

Committee: J.Dodd, J.Lovatt, R.Maule, N.Smith

1. JL reported on an incident which had occurred at the Clegg Cup fixture played at Forth B.C. on 17<sup>th</sup> July when a Skip from this club had an altercation with a member of his rink which resulted in the Skip abandoning his game, followed by the second party also leaving the green. The Team Captain (JL) had not been approached to arbitrate in the matter, but had sought to resolve the matter when the incident escalated. It was generally agreed that the Skip should be afforded control of the rink in any dispute, and if the matter could not be resolved by the skip, the team captain should arbitrate. The matter was discussed between the Team Captains following the fixture. Forth B.C. were satisfied that the matter would be resolved internally by this club, and that a complaint to the County League Secretary would be withheld. After some discussion, JL agreed that providing a verbal apology was given to him by the parties involved, an informal warning would be an acceptable method of dealing with the incident.
2. JL reported having been approached by a member of the NBL Vet's Crofton team querying a perceived error in administration of the drop system used by the selection committee. An examination of the records showed that the only error made had been in not publishing a reserves list for the fixture played on 18<sup>th</sup> July.
3. LW produced a proposed format for a new competition (2 sets of 7 ends) which the Northern Bowls League wished to trial, using our green, prior to asking the NBL AGM to accept the format for a new competition in 2020. It was agreed that the management committee should respond to the request for the use of our green.
4. LW: Blyth Valley Veterans League had agreed to the postponement of the Cramlington v Crofton fixture scheduled for Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July to allow club members to attend the funeral of Alan Weatherston.

5. The Alan Weatherston Trophy competition will take place on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July. A notice has been posted on the notice board.
6. Teams selected for week commencing 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019.
7. No further business. Meeting closed at 11.10am