

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019

11.00am

Present: President – P.Wise Treasurer – B.Turner Secretary – L.Wise

Men's Chair - D.Richardson Ladies Chair - I.Cummings

Vice-chair - W.Allen Vice-chair - H.Christie

1. The President opened the meeting and suggested a previously used structure be used for management committee meetings.

A Standing Agenda was outlined comprising:

- Health & Safety
- Procedures
- Finances
- Development

2. Health & Safety.

LW reported that he had been in contact with Ray Wealleans, NCC Area Manager, regarding excessive moss on the path surrounding the green. Arrangements had been made for further discussions on 28<sup>th</sup> February.

3. Procedures.

LW: Nothing new to report. Proposals regarding teams selection and rinks rotations would be put to the membership at the Spring Meeting scheduled for 7<sup>th</sup> April.

4. Development.

Resignation letter received from J.Scott. Membership numbers were expected to be reduced for the coming season. DR queried whether any of the advertising posters produced in 2018 were still available. LW to follow up.

5. Finances.

LW reported on correspondence with NCC regarding Bowling Green provision fees. The matter had been resolved in line with the agreed Terms of Lease.

A receipt for payment of Northern Bowls League fees was provided for the Treasurer's records, together with cash payments from NBL competition entries.

BT advised that he had paid the website costs from his personal account as a bank card transaction had been required. PW presented the Treasurer with a cheque for £120 which she had arranged with the website sponsor, Melrose Funeral Directors, Seaton Delaval. BT to be reimbursed from Club funds.

Club Insurance renewed. LW to contact Bowls England regarding separate insurance requirements for this season's Open Days.

6. A draft of the proposed agenda for the upcoming Spring Meeting was discussed.
7. The meeting was advised that a sub-committee of the Men's Section had been formed to act as a selection committee for the purpose of teams selection in the Blyth Valley Veterans League and the Northern Bowls League. Teams selections and possible amendments in procedures were scheduled to be raised at the Spring Meeting. PW reminded the group that ladies were eligible to play in BVVL and NBL in their own right and relied on any selection procedure to reflect that eligibility.
8. In response to a query from HC, LW advised that NBL Thursday Vet's League teams from this Club would now be known as the Cowpen team and the Crofton team (rather than Cowpen & Crofton "A" and "B" teams). Following the Spring Meeting member would be allocated to either the Cowpen team or the Crofton team and would remain in those teams when representing the club in both NBL and BVVL.
9. HC advised of a new Bowls England ruling which allowed ladies from one club to play for another club. However, having played for the second club that lady would no longer be permitted to play for anyone else. The information was noted and would be monitored.
10. IC queried whether a "Sale/Exchange" page could be created on the website. The web manager, J.Turner, will be consulted.
11. LW reported that J.Dodd had agreed to take on the administration of the Club Monthly Draw. However, it was anticipated that unless twelve more groups of numbers were taken up the Draw would run at a loss.

12. WA requested an update on the Honours Boards replenishments. LW advised that NE Engravings had been in contact to state that the 2018 inserts had been prepared and would be posted in the near future.
13. LW advised that no volunteer had yet been identified to fill the post of Competitions Secretary, but the procedures filed by the previous executive should allow for the role to be shared among committee members.
14. The meeting was advised that Deantown B.C. had requested another visit to our Club while they are touring in early May. It was agreed that we would host them in a similar way as we did in 2018, and a visit will be arranged for 3rd May.
15. No further business. Meeting closed at 11.42am. Next meeting 11.00am 27<sup>th</sup> March.