# Haughley P.F. Bowls Club

Minutes of Committee meeting held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Present: T.Offord, T.Nicholas, N.Hammond, R.Gill, B.Mayhew, P.Mead, J.Gill, R.Lillistone, I.Bonnett, L.White, J.Leith, B.Norman, A.Manning, D.Ribbans, J.Hawkins, P.Wright.

**Apologies: Grant Nunn** 

# Matters arising from previous minutes

T.Offord was asked to arrange date for game against Bowls England Executive team.

# **Promoting Club**

Ray Gill and Ben Mayhew said they would draft a letter to Stowmarket and Stowupland High Schools inviting any interested pupils to our open days on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> April. They also agreed to produce a poster to be placed in the upstairs room to encourage more ladies to join. Ben said he would contact the In Touch magazine to place an advert. John Leith said he would talk to the Head teacher at Stowmarket High school. Ben Mayhew said he had spoken to B.Millard and he had agreed to come along to these sessions for training any new bowlers.

#### **Club Shirts**

Ray Gill was asked to order 10 new shirts to cover for sizes not in stock.

#### Wi-Fi in the Pavilion

The committee agreed to a donation of £20 towards the cost of installing Wi-Fi in the pavilion. Playing Field committee thanked us for donation.

#### **Green Surrounds**

P.Mead said the Club had a balance of £8500 and the committee agreed that as the quotes to complete the work were both extremely high and funding was difficult we should consider doing the work ourselves at a fraction of the cost. Jamie and Ray Gill with Ben Mayhew would look at some of the local greens who have improved their surrounds and find out what is the best method. It

was hoped the work could start as soon as the green closes in September. P.Mead agreed to look at fund raising to help with the cost.

## **Social Events**

P.Mead said we had held two very successful events, namely the presentation evening and whist drive and gave 3 dates for further get togethers.

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February Fish and Chip Supper at 7.00pm Cost £6 each

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March Whist Drive at 7.00pm Cost £5 each

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April Cheese and Wine at 7.00pm. Cost £6 each. We have a Ukulele band as well as Ray and Brian for this event so please make sure you make every effort to support us. Bring along friends and family. T.Nicholas agreed to arrange food and drink for the evening. T.Offord agreed to book the room.

### **Team Selection**

Team captains and vice captains for Monday evenings and Tuesday afternoons would meet to discuss their squads.

#### **Noticeboard**

Ben Mayhew agreed to repair the broken small noticeboard.

## **Markers Course**

Ben Mayhew informed the committee that Keith Rooney and himself had attended a markers course and had found it to be very beneficial.

# Help with the Green

Ray Gill asked for more help on a Thursday morning with the green. A couple of hours would greatly improve the situation. Anyone interested should contact himself.

## Club handbooks

Ray Gill said these would completed as soon as all the fixtures were available.

Date of next meeting WEDNESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL AT 7.30PM