

# Haughley Playing Field Bowls Club

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> April

**Present:** C.Mayhew, P.Mead, I.Bonnett, B.Mayhew, J.Gill, M.Ormes, B.Norman, Gl.Nunn, T.Nicholas, J.Leith, D.Ribbans, R.Fosker, D.James, T.Offord, D.Walker, Gr. Nunn

**Apologies:** D.Mckay, P.Green, G.Walker

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and duly signed by B.Mayhew

From the minutes:

**Website Administrator:** D. Bonfield had agreed to take on this position.

**Clothing Officer:** R,Roper had agreed to take on this position.

**Facebook:** D.Walker was asked to find out how many members use this facility.

ACTION D,Walker

**Captains:** The following members will act as captains this season

Monday Stowmarket A D.Walker

Monday Stowmarket B T.Offord

Tuesday Stowmarket A B.Norman

Tuesday Stowmarket B D.James

Tuesday Area D G.Walker/ C.Baynes

Wednesday Stowmarket D.Ribbans

Thursday Stowmarket P.Mead.

T,Offord was asked to find out if we could enter another team in the Tuesday afternoon League as we have 25 members wishing to play.

ACTION T,Offord.

**Club Competitions:** Gl. Nunn said all the trophies had been engraved and he was given permission to purchase two further trophies.

ACTION G.Nunn

**Keylock for new entrance:** Every member will be given the code for the keylock and equipment shed. All members are asked to put the key back into the keylock once they have opened the gate,

**New Storage Area:** B.Mayhew told the committee that full funding was now in place for this project. It is hoped work will start in September this year and be completed by March 2022. We have been asked to control the traffic while deliveries are being made so please can you let Peter Mead know if you can help. Also we are looking for Stop/Go boards if anyone has any or knows where they can get some. Also we will be dismantling the old sheds so please make yourself available if asked.

**Treasurers Report:** P,Mead said we have a comfortable balance but was still looking for more funding for future projects.

**Secretarys Report:** T,Offord said he had arranged a friendly with Suffolk Vice Presidents BE on August 14<sup>th</sup> at 2.00pm. He also told the committee he would be on holiday for a month and P,Mead would cover for him during his vacation.

**Grounds Committee Report:** M.Ormes said he was very thankful to those members for the wonderful support they have given during the close season enabling the gazebo and new entrance areas to be completed. The green was looking really good and had received regular spiking, coring and cutting as well as several feeds. He also urged all members to give help on a Thursday morning when regular maintenance takes place. If anyone is interested please let a committee member know.

**Social Committee Report:** C.Mayhew said she has arranged for a ladies afternoon tea for Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April for all lady members and partners of male members. Please let Caroline know if you would like to attend. Caroline was given permission to purchase a new barbecue,

ACTION C,Mayhew

**Sheringham Trip:** Saturday July 31<sup>st</sup>. P.Mead explained that there could be problems with transport on the day. D.James suggested we could travel by train. P,Mead said he would contact the Morley Club to explain our situation.

**West Sussex Bowls Club visit:** P.Mead was asked to book the pavilion room for the visit of this touring team.

ACTION P.Mead

**Gazebo Area:** The Club have been fortunate to gain 4 sponsors for bench seating in the gazebo. We are looking for more people to help as we need some small tables. If you would like to contribute or know of anyone the name/s will be engraved on the furniture.

Action All members

**Opening Day:** The committee agreed to open the green from 10.00am to give all members the choice of what time they would like to play. All members were asked to only play in pairs to abide with the guidelines. Jamie Gill will be opening the gazebo at 12.00pm in memory of his father. Sanitiser will be available and also members can wear face masks if they wish to do so. If any member would like refreshments they are asked to provide for themselves. Tea and coffee will be available and the bar will be open. P.Mead has asked all members to bring payment for subscription, shirts, jackets and any competition fees they have entered.

**New Bowls England Club Shirts:** B.Mayhew reported that these will be available in early May.

**Stowmarket Monday League Squads:** It was agreed that the A and B squads will be sorted once we have the fixtures which will be after May 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Membership Fees:** It was agreed to cut the membership fee to £20 per member for this season to £20 as it looks as it will be a later starting date.

Date of Next Meeting Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May