

# Haughley Playing Field Bowls Club

Minutes of committee meeting held on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 6.00pm

**Present:** I Bonnett, D.Walker, G.Walker, Gl. Nunn, Gr. Nunn, D.Ribbans, T.Nicholas, C.Mayhew, B.Mayhew, P.Mead, M.Ormes.

**Apologies:** J.Gill, J.Leith, D.James, B.Norman, P.Green

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

**From the minutes:** Our request to have a third team in the Stowmarket Tuesday afternoon league has been rejected. It was noted that both sides in the league were now struggling to find enough members to play and D. James has added 3 more names to his squad,

**Club competitions:** Gl. Nunn would be purchasing the two new trophies in the near future. He also asked for members to add their names to the competition forms on the noticeboard. P,Mead said he would issue an E mail to cover this.

ACTION GL.NUNN

**Thursday morning maintenance:** B.Mayhew said he would be arranging this within the next week for all interested members.

ACTION B,MAYHEW

**New Bowls England Club Shirts:** B.Mayhew explained that he had been badly let down by the supplier who had promised a delivery of March 13<sup>th</sup> but they had still not arrived. He had spoken to them and he was given an assurance they would arrive within the next week.

**Gazebo:** There has been a request to add some heaters to the frame. P,Mead said he would make some enquiries and report back to the committee.

ACTION P,MEAD

**Chairmans Report:** B.Mayhew said he had nothing to report.

**Secretarys Report:** P.Mead reported in the absence of A.Offord and told the meeting that he had submitted all the various names for each league to the Stowmarket League secretary. Nothing else to report.

**Treasurers Report:** P, Mead said that there were still two playing memberships to be paid. He also said the Club still had a favourable balance.

**Club Captains Report:** Gr. Nunn said that he had selected the forthcoming Senior Cup team and was struggling to complete the team for the Junior Cup.

**Ground Committee Report:** M. Ormes that the green was in excellent shape and had recently been spiked and rolled. He thanked all those members who had helped in the various projects off the green and said that A. Herbert had recently help clear the compound of the grass cuttings. He continued to say that he hoped to erect a temporary area in the new waste area to deposit the current cuttings. He also said that M. Shepherd had again agreed to help with the cutting of the green.

ACTION M.ORMES/B.MAYHEW

**Social Committee Report:** C. Mayhew said the opening day had been a huge success and the new barbecue had been very beneficial. She thanked all those who had helped on the day. The committee agreed to start Club nights on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May starting at 3.00pm and then every Saturday afterwards. There would be another barbecue on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 5.00pm. Anyone who would like to attend is welcome and this offer is open to friends and family. If you wish to attend please phone Caroline before Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> June. The cost is £5 for members and £8 for guests. Further dates will follow.

**Guest Roll Ups.** The committee agreed that a charge of £2 should be applied to all guests who use the green for a roll up with a member. They must be charged £2 each time after the first two visits. It is the responsibility of the member to collect this fee.

ACTION ALL MEMBERS

**Security System:** P. Mead said he would ask R. Fosker to look at prices to install a new security system that would cover the new storage area as well as the Club Room area.

ACTION P.MEAD

**New Storage Area:** It was hoped that the dividing fence could be erected within the next few weeks which will enable us to start dismantling the old sheds. B.Mayhew suggested we could use one of the sheds for a storage area for the barbecue and gardening tools. He said that M,Ormes and himself would investigate the possibility.

ACTION M.ORMES/B.MAYHEW

**Pavilion Extension:** B.Mayhew said he had attended a meeting to discuss the possibility of building an extension to the Clubroom and other ideas. He said he had asked that our Clubroom should be at least 8 metres by 9 metres, we need a larger kitchen area and the possibility of planting a new hedge some 2 to 3 meters nearer the playing field to give us more space on that side.

**New Jacks:** Despite extensive searching we cannot find the 6 new jacks purchased recently so B. Mayhew was given permission to buy 6 new ones.

ACTION B.MAYHEW

**Car Park:** The car park is being resurfaced during the weeks from Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July to Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> July. During this time members are asked to park in the laybys near the school and walk up to the green. B.Mayhew said he would approach Bloors to see if visitors could use their parking area.

ACTION B.MAYHEW/ALL MEMBERS

**New Card Reader:** All committee members have been trained to use this new facility so please ask any member if you wish to purchase anything from the bar.

**Time Tree Diary.** This has proved to be very successful with 25 members now able to use this on their phones. If you would like to join please ask P.Mead and he will send you a message that will allow you to use it. You can add holidays, book rinks and all the fixtures and birthdays are showing.

**Sheringham:** You will all have received details re our annual trip to the coast. This year we will be travelling by train at a cost of £13 per person. P.Mead will be sending out reminders so remember the date. Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> July.

**Benches and Tables for the gazebo:** P.Mead explained that these would be arriving within the next couple of days and thanked Gl. Nunn for his work in obtaining them and to all those members who had very kindly contributed towards the cost.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.00pm.