

ASHTON PARK BOWLING CLUB – MINUTES OF AGM HELD ON MARCH 19TH
AT UNITED SERVICES CLUB, SALE at 2PM

Obituaries – it was with delight that no obituaries were reported this year.

Apologies for absence – Received from Mo Gadd(Chairman), Derek Jones, Malcolm Clarke and Andy Jackson

In attendance – Keith Briggs, Renie Briggs, Alison McGlasson, Hugh McGlasson, Chris Richardson, Peter Hughes, Paul Gallagher, Barry Cordwell, Vivian Taylor, Peter Williams, Alan Johnston, Cynthia Nuttall, Denise Conliffe, Ina Turner, Sue Burns, Charlotte Hough, Moira Appleby Gerrard, Peter Grant, Derek Jones, Sam Yarwood, Peter Yarwood, John Yates, Rob Thompson, Lesley Keegan, Noelyne Crutchley, John Lickley, Tom Gerrard, Trevor Williams and Derek Dooley

Chairman's introduction – In the absence of the Chairman who was attending a funeral the Acting Secretary read out brief comments from Mo. He thanked everybody for helping and turning out during the Winter months and advised that 873 had turned out during the Winter season from the 9th October to the 18th March which was a fantastic number. He hoped everyone would have a happy and enjoyable season.

The President – Keith Briggs made a brief speech making reference to the 18 years of magnificent service Tom Gerrard had given to the Bowling Club in just about every capacity bringing the Club to the stature it enjoyed today and made a presentation to him on behalf of the members as a gratitude for his service. A presentation was also made to Hugh McGlasson who was retiring today after 5 years as the Treasurer.

Minutes of Previous Meeting – These were read out and approved and there were no matters arising from these minutes.

Secretaries report- The Acting Secretary reported that he had attended the Timperley Friday Pairs AGM along with Tom and Rob and our Subscription of £20 had been paid. Brooklands had withdrawn their team from the League at the last minute after the fixtures had been printed meaning there would be a blank date in the fixture schedule as printed. Derek would be attending the South Manchester Veterans Association League meeting the following Monday at Longsight Bowling Club and would report if there were any unexpected developments although from the agenda none were anticipated.

Treasurer's report – Rob Thompson produced a balance sheet for members (as attached) and explained that all costs were increasing and we were continuing to run at a small loss each year which would only get worse. Whilst the meal after next weeks competition would be funded by the Club for members it was likely that this would be the last one which could be totally funded by the Club and a contribution towards the costs was likely to be sought from members for future events. He proposed an increase in the annual subscription from £10 per annum to £15 per annum and this was unanimously accepted by the meeting.

Auditors report – Alison confirmed she had carried out an audit of all the figures and everything was perfectly in order.

League Delegates Report - The Acting Secretary reported that in respect of the Timperley Vets Friday Pairs League the Direct Reporting of Results would be introduced for this year and we had been provided with the necessary passwords etc to carry out this process. Whilst this was new to us in the leagues we play in the Acting Secretary was very familiar with this arrangement in the Altrincham LV League where he was Fixture Secretary and said it was an easy process to adopt.

Election of Officers:-

President – Keith Briggs

Chairman - In his absence Mo Gadd was duly elected for another year

Secretary – Derek Dooley

Treasurer – Rob Thompson

Auditor – Alison McGlasson

Monday A team Captain – Mo Gadd (Vice Captain – Derek Jones, Assisitant Vice Captain-Paul Gallagher)

Monday B team Captain – Moira Appleby Gerrard (Vice Captain – Peter Grant)

Friday Pairs team Captain – Rob Thompson (Vice Captain – Mo Gadd, Assistant Vice Captain – Derek Jones)

Wednesday Ladies Team Captain – Moira Appleby Gerrard (Vice Captain – Denise Conliffe)

A new position was created at the request of the Treasurer as Social Events Officer which was filled by Moira Appleby Gerrard

Subscriptions- The Treasurer requested if would be appreciated if as many people as possible paid the new level of subscription of £15 before leaving today to make his job so much easier

Honorarium – It was agreed by the Meeting that these should remain as before -£100 for both the Secretary and the Treasurer. However both Officers indicated that they would not wish to take any Homorarium for fulfilling their roles this year. Alison suggested that any such decision should be elft until the end of the year to see just how much involvement there had been but both individuals were happy to donate these amounts back to the Club.

Trophy Presentation – The following trophies were presented by the President to the winners:-

Dunn Cup – Alan Johnston

Stan Robinson Shield – Tom Gerrard

Joe Loftus Memorial Trophy – Hilary Lockett

Gordon Evans Shield – Peter Grant

Presidents Cup – Derek Jackson

New Members – The Winter bowling sessions had brought about a nice influx of new members – Noelyne Crutchley, Peter Yarwood, Lesley Keegan, Trevor Williams, Barry Cordwell and Sam Yarwood

In addition with Moira forming the new Ladies Wednesday League team we gained the following new lady members -Denise Conliffe, Ina Turner, Sue Burns, Charlotte Hough, Lynne Wilkinson, Jane Picton and Julie Wellock

Any Other Business – In the absence of any other business the meeting closed at 2.35pm

