

RAMSEY BOWLS CLUB

Minutes of Ramsey Bowls Club Committee Meeting
held on Monday 24 February 2025 at 10.00 am at Ramsey Bowls Club

PRESENT:

Tracy Core	President
Les Collyer	Vice President
Barry Sharman	Treasurer
Gill Willis	Secretary
Martin Francis	Match Secretary
Geoff Willis	Green Officer
Barry McCormick	Committee Member

1. Apologies

- Ali McCormick

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

- 3.3 should read ..half the fee for the Bowls coaching course will only be paid if and when the course is completed.

3. Matters from Previous Minutes

- We are now registered with Bowls England for the Big Bowls weekend.
- Ali will now not take any action against the HWBF as after a lot of deliberation it was agreed that they hadn't actually breached the constitution.
- A flag will be £50...maroon with the Ram on and Ramsey Bowls Club in gold...Geoff will ask for a mock up of it from the company.
- Richard Shilling has ordered the leveller.

4. President's Report

- Tracy has been helping with the refurbishment of the clubhouse.
- We have been holding a ladies chat evening each month.

5. Vice President's Report

- Les has prepared a rota for roll ups.

6. Treasurer's Report

- There is £2484.10 in the account.
- Locker fees are due next month.
- Barry will look to see if a bursary is possible for the coaching course.

7. Secretary's Report

- The new bench has been ordered.
- Sheila Sands has said she will not be rejoining.

8. Social Secretary's Report

- Ali will talk to Derek Hines about a golf/bowls event.

9. Green Liaison Officer's Report

- Work on the green is ongoing with spraying, feeding and cutting. Once the season starts it will be verticut every other week.
- Honours Boards are up in the Bowls room.

10. Match/Competition Secretary's Report

- Martin has sent out dates for the men's practice sessions.
- There will be no Round Robin competition.
- Martin will email members to ask if anyone is interested in playing in the Club 2 4's. He will explain the format.
- At the Big Bowls weekend we will ask people who come down for their name, email and phone number.

11. Safeguarding

- Ali will ring Alan Francis to see how he and his wife are.
- Martin will consider a men's get together.

12. Friendlies

- Tracy emailed all local clubs and there are 9 games booked. There are 7 different clubs. Games are predominantly on a Sunday with some on a Friday.

13. Juniors

- Tracy is keeping in contact with Ramsey Junior School.
- It was suggested we could probably do a promotion at the school before our Big Bowls day.

14. Coaching Course

- We now have more information re the coaching course, which will be forwarded to Ross. Les will have a chat with him to see if he is still interested once he has seen what it involves.

15. Open Triples

- Tracy has had 4 teams enter so far. Kim Parker will help on the day.

16. First roll up

- Gill will get a price for bacon butties and a drink from Sarah.
- An email will be sent to all members asking them to pay in advance if they would like one. They will have the choice of sending it by BACS or cash behind the bar. The closing date will be 28 March.

17. Roll up rota

- As said previously this has been done.

18 A.O.B

- If we wish to apply to Red Tile or Whittome Trust for a grant towards new scoreboards the closing date is June
- Geoff will ask at Bowls Bi Us which ones they can get.
- We could see if we can get local companies to sponsor a scoreboard. Barry will ask Dizzy and White Whale. Tracy will ask Bengal and Tesco.
- Gill will check if there is any objection to putting some mats and jacks in the shed for when the clubhouse is locked.
- March club had a fire and lost all their equipment. We could offer them some mats as we have plenty.
- If we are going to work with juniors we will have to take into account that anyone who is with them, without their parents or teachers will need to be DBS checked.
- Gill will order a new plaque for Rita's garden along with one for David Potts bench.
- Tracy has bought new plants for this garden along with plastic to stop the weeds. Just needs some wood chippings to put down.

Date of next meeting Monday 28 April at 10.00am