

MINUTES
Sellindge Bowls Club
Executive Committee Meeting
Held at Sellindge Bowls pavilion
On MONDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2021

Committee present

John Collins Lawrence Harvey Kevin Gipson Teresa Oliver-Jones Pat Harvey Denise Hanson
Malcolm Cage Christina Searle Jacky Antin Ros Sawyers Tony Excell

Apologies.

Christina Sandy

Minutes of the meeting held on 14th July 2021 was confirmed to be a true copy and signed by the Chairman.

Chairman`s Report

This will be the last meeting before next year. It has been a difficult year to manage and thanks and acknowledgement to be given to Christina Sandy who has had a difficult job managing the teams and clubs with all the problems arising due to Covid 19.

Finals Day was a great day and the BBQ was well received at the end of it.

Future Plans to be discussed under AOB.

Secretary report

N/A

Treasurer Report

Treasurer`s report attached. We have made a modest profit of £700, plus £314 from the BBQ, bringing us back to where we were pre epidemic, due mainly to the £2000 we received in grants.

Thanks and appreciation was given to Lawrence for applying for these grants

Captains Report

Not the most successful year, resulting in problems getting players to make up the required numbers for games due to the current situation.

Shepway was not good for the club as both the ladies and the men`s teams came last in the results table.

Next year Christina would be happier to continue with the organising of the games as this year, with the boards being displayed for members to add their name but with her emailing around to chivvy up more response.

John C has suggested that next year if hopefully normality returns, we have more internal competitions as they are popular with the members.

Vice captains report

A discussion took place referring back to previous years when the vice captains shared the job of choosing the teams on a Tues morning. This role maybe needs to be readdressed as it

serves as a good training aid should the vice captains have to step in and cover, keeping them up to date with the current situations and players.

In Christina's absence Kevin suggested that Tues noon would be a better time as it wouldn't clash with the maintenance work, and on roll-up afternoons there are members around to ask to play.

Fixtures secretary report

Ham Street Club have requested to play mixed triples with us in future. Denise has arranged two dates with them to play next year.

She also tried with Hythe but we have a shorter season than they do, and it was not possible to fit them in.

The Bowls Drive which is fixtured for the day after Finals Day is to be renamed. This day is kept free in case the finals day overlaps, and is not a pre organised day.

Shepway's reps reports

It is to be suggested by our reps at the next meeting that we do not go back to providing food after a Shepway match. Mostly players want to get home, particularly as the evenings draw in.

Both the ladies and the men's teams came bottom in the league table, but, we felt good about the way we played and that stands us in good stead for next year.

Competitions Secretary Report.

Competitions were well received and enjoyed resulting in a successful finals match between JC & BS against RS & WF.

Maintenance

Malcolm had nothing to report but a discussion took place asking if a system could be put into operation where a list of what needs doing be put up in the clubhouse where members can refer and take upon themselves to do, or it would be beneficial if there could be a someone to refer to who would deal out the jobs.

It was suggested that the ladies start to participate in the Tues morning (or another time to suit) and help to resolve some of the issues we have on shortage of helping members.

On another matter, it was also discussed as to whether we could have a winter work group of helpers to carry out very necessary decorating jobs.

John C asked that a list be compiled by AGM date to get the teams organised,

Catering

Jacky is getting into the swing of the job, especially as now she is the sole person shopping for the kitchen requirements.

There is a shopping pad in the kitchen for requirements to be listed and for her to purchase.

The consensus of opinion was that friendly teas be continues as tea and biscuits only, with the raffle at half time and not at the end of the game.

Coffee mornings to commence on the second Friday in October at 10.30am. A charge of £1.50 for drink and cake, and a further 50p for any further items.

Fundraisers

The following suggestions were discussed:

A Raffle to take place for the Christmas Coffee morning.

A possible Quiz Night

A possible Dance evening with Malcolm`s band. Possible venue to be Sellindge Village Hall, £6 a ticket.

Any Other Business

AGM Increase in club fees-£105 + £5 Social Club membership. Agreed.

This is not unreasonable considering the last increase was of £5 in 2015 and 2018. As for the social club fee, this is very acceptable as it includes our electricity, and other clubhouse bills.

Jims Fees need to be increased as it is five years since he had a raise, £500 has been agreed.

Election of Officers.

The Chairman John Collins will not be standing at this years elections.

Not standing

Chairman

Competitions Secretary

Maintenance

New Sponsor

Mark Christie. £500. Advertising to be discussed for the future when we open next season. (Letter held in correspondence file)

Items for next Agenda

Denise to add to the facebook page promoting the club, the possibility of letting children train up to become playing members. This would involve parental supervision, willing coaches to fit in with suitable times, and more.

Gerry from In Doors Bowls at Folkestone has offered to give advice as to what we would need to take on board.

This would be beneficial to the club when applying for grant and donation monies.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING to be agreed after the AGM by the incoming committee.

Signed

John Collins
Chairman