

**PURLEY BOWLS CLUB**  
**MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**25th OCTOBER 2017**

**Present**

Committee Members R.Applebee (Chair), J.Seymour, E.Applebee, R.Carr, D.Jameson, M. Aynsley, B.Manning, Liz Long, K.Clark , P.Marshall and 30 other members

**1 Apologies**

Apologies were received from A.Green, M.Green, D.Haine, D.Hebden, V.Jackson, R.Lees, R.Muggridge, T.Pratchett, J.Sanders, J. Smith-Hill, T. Theodoris, F.Weaver.

**2 Minutes of Last Meeting**

D.Harvey proposed that the minutes be accepted as a true record. The proposal was seconded by M.Aynsley and carried unanimously by the meeting.

**3 Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

**4 Captain's Report**

Richard Applebee presented his report to the meeting, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. The meeting thanked Richard for stepping in as Captain. The report was approved unanimously.

**5 Lady Captain's Report**

Jane Seymour presented her report to the meeting a copy of which is filed with these minutes  
The meeting thanked Jane for her report. The report was approved unanimously.

**6 Presentation of Accounts by Treasurer**

Derek Jameson presented an audited Financial Statement for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017  
Derek gave a brief report on the salient financial matters. A copy of Derek's Report and Financial Statement is filed with these minutes. The Accounts and report were approved unanimously.

**7 Appointment of Officers and Committee Members**

There was only one candidate for each of the positions on the Committee.

The following were appointed unanimously on a show of hands

Captain	Tony Gallagher	Section Secretary	Richard Carr
Lady Captain	Elaine Applebee	Treasurer	Derek Jameson
Men's Vice Captain	Steve Parnham	Committee Member	John Thurley
Ladies Vice Captain	Linda Gallagher	Green Ranger	Butch Manning
Men's Match Secretary	Ken Clark		
Ladies Match Secretary	Liz Long		

**8 Appointment of Auditor**

Tony Seymour was unanimously re-appointed as Auditor. The meeting thanked Tony.

**9 Tournaments and Matches for 2018**

Ken Clark reported that we shall be returning to Eastbourne in 2018 and Southampton Old Bowling Green will be coming to Purley. There was much discussion on the handicapping method for the Handicap Singles. It was thought that giving the lesser player a start (handicap difference) was against the laws of bowls. The Committee were left to review the matter/

**10 Social Programme for 2018**

There will be a 60's Night on 3rd February. Events for the rest of the year will be much the same as 2017

### **11 Hon Secretary's Report.**

Richard Carr reported that the current membership was 89 men and 50 Ladies. He expected us to lose at least 7 members through age or ill health. There will be an Open weekend at the beginning of June next year but this should not stop members bring a friend to a ballot earlier in which case they should let the Captain know in advance so some coaching can be laid on.

Derek Harvey asked who our insurers were and whether we were covered for people on the Open Days – Liz Fry said we were insured by Cobra and the meeting agreed that new bowlers attending the Open Day would be covered.

### **12 Management Committee Rep's Report**

Peter Marshall presented his report to the meeting, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

### **13 Tour Committee Report**

It was reported that the next year's tour will be in support of Dorothy Roberts in her year as President of Surrey but will be for Ladies only. Peter Marshall's tour is to the Cotswolds in 2019,

### **14 Motions**

The proposal that 'The Dress Code for all Competitions and Organised club events (including ballots) will be White tops and Grey Trousers with flat bottomed Bowls shoes' was discussed at length, including an impassioned address from the Surrey President. On a show of hands, the motion was not carried by a substantial majority. It was agreed that emphasis would be put on Flat smooth bottomed bowls shoes being the only footwear permissible and members would be asked to leave the Rink if not wearing the correct footwear.

### **15 Any Other Business**

- a) **Competition Prizes.** Elaine Applebee reported that 52 prizes had been purchased this year and suggested that prize winners should have the choice between a gift or a voucher of similar value. This was agreed unanimously by the meeting.
- b) **Surrey Competition Entries.** Richard Carr said that he had received few entries from the Men, whereas the Ladies entries were numerous. Derek Harvey said that the best and most enjoyable way to improve your bowls was to play other clubs and on different greens.
- c) **Rink Board.** Pat Teasdale asked if the Rink Board could be located at a better height. The Committee will look into this during the winter.
- d) **Steps to Green.** Maureen Marsden asked whether we could purchase some steps similar to those used at Shirley Park to ease stepping on/off a rink. This was thought to be a good idea.

The above points are to be discussed by the new committee

The meeting ended at 9.20