

PURLEY BOWLS CLUB
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
17th OCTOBER 2018

Present

Committee Members: T.Gallagher (Chair), S.Parnham, L.Gallagher, R.Carr, D.Jameson, B.Manning, K.Clark, P.Marshall, and 36 other members

1 Apologies

Apologies were received from Elaine and Richard Applebee, Miki Aynsley, Arthur Ball, David Hebden, Sean Gallagher, Reg Lees, Liz Long, Martin Newman, Fran O'Neil, Demetrios and Sue Souppouris, Pat Teasdale, Mike Terriere, Theo Theodoris, John Thurley, Ursula Wharf.

2 Minutes of Last Meeting

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

3 Matters Arising

Pat Teasdale asked that her thanks be recorded for the repositioning of the rink board.

It was noted that the voucher prizes for finalists had been well received.

Jane Seymour asked why the steps on to the green had not been purchased and was told by Derek Jameson that the Committee had decided that they were too difficult to fit and very expensive.

4 Captain's Report

Tony Gallagher presented his report to the meeting, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. The meeting thanked Tony for a successful year as Captain. The report was approved unanimously.

5 Lady Captain's Report

Linda Gallagher presented the Lady Captain's report on behalf of Elaine Applebee to the meeting, a copy of which is filed with these minutes

The meeting thanked Linda for the report. The report was approved unanimously.

6 Presentation of Accounts by Treasurer

Derek Jameson presented an audited Financial Statement for the year ended 30th September 2018. 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 following positions on the Committee.

The following were appointed unanimously on a show of hands

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| Captain | Steve Parnham | Section Secretary | Richard Carr |
| Lady Captain | Linda Gallagher | Treasurer | Derek Jameson |
| Men's Vice Captain | Tony Gallagher | Mens' Match Secretary | Ken Clark |
| Ladies Vice Captain | Sue Souppouris | Green Ranger | Butch Manning |
| Ladies Match Secretary | Liz Long | | |

It was noted that Ken Clark's appointment was only temporary until a replacement can be found. Richard Carr stated that this would be his last year as Secretary.

There were 2 nominations for the post of Committee Member and after a ballot Jane Seymour was elected.

8 Appointment of Auditor

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

9 Tournaments and Matches for 2019

Ken Clark reported that we shall be returning to Southampton Old Bowling Green in 2019. It was noted that the revised handicapping method for the Men's Handicap Singles had achieved its object of giving the lesser player a better chance and it was agreed to continue this method.

10 Social Programme for 2019

There will be a 60's Night on 8th February. Events for the rest of the year will be much the same as 2018

11 Hon Secretary's Report.

Richard Carr reported that the current membership was 78 men and 47 Ladies after taking out 4 non-playing members and 8 members who have indicated that they will not be rejoining in February (a further 2 have also indicated that they will not be rejoining since the meeting). This is a substantial drop from our peak. There will be an Open weekend at the end of April next year to try to fill our numbers. The Average age of the section is 72.5.

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 2019 tour will be in support of Peter Marshall in his year as President of Surrey. Peter Marshall's tour is staying in Worcester but playing in Herefordshire

14 Motions

The proposal that 'The Club Finals will be played on a weekend with as many competitions as possible being scheduled on the Saturday. Finalists will be expected to play as many as three games on this day. The schedule of the finals weekend is the joint responsibility of the Captains' was discussed at length. The second sentence of the motion was withdrawn before a vote. The motion was carried in this format by a large majority.

15 Any Other Business

- a) **ESL Rules.** – Derek Harvey raised the question of the inequality of the current rule of 3 bowlers against 4 which he thought was unfair. Richard Carr told him that Purley had already submitted a proposal to change to the Surrey method of losing 25% to be voted on at the ESL AGM
- b) **Surrey Competition Entries.** Richard Carr said that to date he had received few entries from the Men.
- c) **Membership Application** – The question of Kevin Donovan's application for membership was raised from the floor and discussed at length. The general feeling of the membership present was that he should be readmitted. It was agreed that the matter would be discussed at the next Committee Meeting and if necessary brought back to the members at an EGM.
- d) **Triples League** – Richard Carr said it was necessary to have a vote to continue to hold the Triples League on a Friday afternoon and only use 4 rinks. This was approved on a show of hands.
- e) **Management Committee Representative** – Liz Fry stated that at present there was only one other female on the Management Committee and she would like us to consider a female representative when Peter Marshall retires next year.

The meeting ended at 9.12 with Howard Marsh thanking the Captain and Committee for a successful year.