

# HOOK BOWLING CLUB GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING

**10.00AM TUESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025**

**Present:** Tim Shenton-Taylor – Chairperson; Elaine Hill – Secretary; Albert Johnson – Treasurer; Steve Wintermeyer – Green Manager; Dave Clark – Club Captain; Malcolm Gow – President and Bar Manager; Desiree Gow – Membership Secretary; Jane Tatnall Brenda Walker – Fixtures Secretary; Elaine Bennett – Trustee.

**Apologies:** Jane Tatnall – Ladies' Captain

| Matters Arising from the Last Meeting                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Action to be taken by next meeting |
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| 1. The minutes of the August meeting were approved for publishing.                                                                                                                                                                      | Elaine H                           |
| 2. Finals weekend – this was a great success. It was very well attended with 55 spectators including some new members. £110 was raised with the raffle.                                                                                 |                                    |
| 3. Security – Chris Vickers has had no response from Securitas. Another policy for fire maintenance has been obtained from Safe I.S. – approx. £270.00. It was decided to stay with Securitas.                                          |                                    |
| 4. Storage areas – to be labelled.                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Tim                                |
| 5. Water Rates – a bill has still had not been received from our supplier. They are to be emailed again and asked to read it if they haven't already done so.                                                                           | Albert                             |
| 6. COSH – the labels are still to be done. We also need a 'No Vaping' and 'No Smoking' signs to be put at the gate and club entrance.                                                                                                   | Steve and Tim                      |
| 7. User procedure for the venue to be written.                                                                                                                                                                                          | Tim                                |
| 8. Moss on paths = this has been cleared but the path needs sealing.                                                                                                                                                                    | Dave/Steve                         |
| 9. Drain – This has been unblocked. A tree has caused this problem. A report is going to be provided by James, the drain man. This tree belongs to the Council. The Council are to be asked to reimburse £300 to us for the unblocking. | Albert/Tim                         |
| 10. HPC grant application – Still ongoing.                                                                                                                                                                                              | Elaine B                           |
| 11. Shed area clearing – this is to be included in a maintenance day.                                                                                                                                                                   |                                    |
| 12. Indoor Roll-ups – The first Monday for the roll-up is 22 <sup>nd</sup> September 23 <sup>rd</sup> September and Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> September. Newsletter.                                                                   | Elaine H                           |
| 13. Film for doors – Also to be put on the top panes of glass.                                                                                                                                                                          | Elaine H                           |
| 14. Insurance documents – these have been received by Tim. Sutton Winston provide our insurance. They seem good.                                                                                                                        |                                    |

15. President's expenses – these have been done.
16. Defibrillator – the training has been done. The Lion's Club is providing the machine but at present it is unsure where it will be sited. Inside our perimeter by the gate has been suggested so that it is accessible for the public. Tim
17. Mats – Replacement mats are to be provided for the green where they have perished. Dave/Steve
18. LED lights – these have arrived for the candlelit bowls night.
19. Charity money – tickets were auctioned by Chris Vickers and the Hares donated.
20. Sponsorship – Websters were approached again by Elaine B and we were told that they have not ruled us out but are just waiting to see what they can do. Elaine B

## NEW BUSINESS

1. **Chairperson's Report** – nothing further.
2. **Treasurer's Report**
  - a) Electricity – the cost of electricity has been queried. Fridges, hand dryer – rarely used, ovens not used much, kettles used a lot, glass washer, dishwasher not used. Approx £700 - £1000. We are paying £1800. Albert to investigate. Aircon only used a bit. Albert
  - b) Water – To be checked up. Albert
  - c) Match fees - these should be paid in once a month. Hares and Stan Hardman to be asked to do this. The captains will be reminded. Dave
  - d) Asbestos - Money received back from the Council £400 for the asbestos report.
3. **Captain's Report**
  - a) Short mat – one mat to be put down after the Crondall game on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September so that the newcomers can come up. The other two mats to be down after the candlelight game. Short mat starts the week after. Dave
  - b) Captains – Desire is to be continuing to be the Foxes captain. It was agreed that captains should choose the strongest teams in to win. The Hares have 14 players, 2 played 3 games. Foxes 23 people but giving everyone a game because sometimes only 9 people came forward. It is thought that some people don't want to be in a match with poor players. It was agreed that the captains should always play.
  - c) Internal leagues outdoors – It was suggested we should start another league for those who are not regularly playing in the external league. This would bring people on. You still need some

good players. – Balanced teams. Forfeit a Saturday or Wednesday afternoon.

- d) External leagues - If we put in more teams there would be a danger of cancelling matches. We need a strong core number for the league matches and an internal league. If we enter a new team, we will need to find a captain so we will open some discussion about this. A captain's meeting is required. Dave
- e) Sign up evening – do we really need this? We could choose teams beforehand.
- f) Friendlies – 25 have worked well. Elaine B
- g) Short mat – a good commitment is shown. Albert

#### 4. Ladies' captain's Report

- a) Winners' boards - will be amended.
- b) Missing 'K' is being repaired and will be put up.
- c) Tuesday Ladies short mat – agreed that this can go ahead.

#### 5. Fixture Secretary' report – nothing further.

#### 6. Bar Manager's report

- a) Ice Maker – Donated by Elaine B. Thanks, given. Tim
- b) Refurbishment – At the moment stock is at a minimum. Aircon unit – they can't take it out because of the gas requiring specialist equipment. Messaged Bob. If we get someone else to do it they need equipment and to take away. Albert
- c) Cash - should be taken by the people staffing the bar but cards are preferred.
- d) Tablet – to be purchased.

#### 7. Green Manager's report

- a) Replacement head for brush - ongoing.
- b) Wheelchair – Steve went to pick it up, but the wheel fell off, still need to find one.
- c) Lawn bare patches – the greenkeeper is aware they need fixing.
- d) Trees – some neighbours trees require cutting back. They are to be spoken to. Dave

### Any Other Business

- 1. AGM – Chairperson requires last year's minutes and other documents. Elaine H
- 2. Constitution – this has been revised and also gone to the Trustees.
- 3. Maintenance – there are still a number of items to be done on the PC list. A gang will be organised to sort this out. Tim/Steve
- 4. Suggestions – Could the green be more level? Another club had their green lasered, but this was very expensive. Not deemed necessary.
- 5. Lock on the accessible toilet is not working – to be added to the maintenance list. Tim
- 6. Newsletter – Elaine will be giving this up at the AGM.
- 7. North Hants Women's Bowling Association Committee meetings - a request to hold at our club. £85 charge proposed, this was the same as Old Basing. Is that still fair? Elaine B will go back and offer the same terms. Elaine B

8. Letter of thanks for hosting their day.
9. Cleaning - £20 charge should be added to subs to cover the cleaning for those who do not want to it. To be on the agenda for the AGM. Tim

Meeting ended at 12.10.

Next Meeting **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September 11.00**