

HOOK BOWLING CLUB GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING

10.00AM TUESDAY 5th August 2025

Present: Tim Shenton-Taylor – Chairperson; Dave Clark – Club Captain; Malcolm Gow – President and Bar Manager; Desiree Gow – Membership Secretary; Jane Tatnall – Ladies Captain; Brenda Walker – Fixtures Secretary; Elaine Bennett – Trustee.

Apologies: Elaine Hill – Secretary; Albert Johnson – Treasurer; Steve Wintermeyer – Green Manager.

Matter Arising from the Last Meeting

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| 1. Minutes of the last meeting approved. | Action to be taken by next meeting |
| 2. Fire alarm testing started. | |
| 3. Action List – TST to update. | |
| 4. Sign needed by exit to indicate muster point. | |
| 5. If running an event – need check list. | |
| 6. Film on windows – top row to be done. | TST |
| 7. Action needed on moss on left hand side of green to seal. – MG to let DC know if has contact. | TST/DF
EH |
| 8. All drains outside are blocked – council did give DF a contact – get Dyno rod in to give official quote. | MG |
| 9. Bob Grout will do all the kitchen storage room work. Bob has costed it at £2,200. It will be done in phases. Replacement of fridge – cheapest is £329. (MG quote). TST/EB to liaise with HPC regarding any assistance with funding. TST intention is to do the work and then go to HPC with total cost. Agreed that Bob can start whenever he wants. Get Campbell to help with electrics on removal of air conditioning unit. | TST/DF

TST/EB/CW |
| 10. EB to buy an icemaker and donate to the club. | |
| 11. DC suggested leave shed where it is and area to be cleared with team of people. | EB |
| 12. Next newsletter – EH to put in for another short mat roll up session | DC |
| 13. McCarthy Stone banner disposed of. | EH |
| 14. New scorecards been sourced by DC. 1,000. DC will distribute when needed. | TST |
| 15. Going forward every game that is played will be on the match system – e.g. Top Club, Tony Allcock, Odiham Open etc. | DC |
| 16. TST can't find anything about our insurers. TST to speak to AJ to outline what we're paying for and if there is a deadline to meet. | DC/JT |
| 17. SW has sourced a wheelchair. | TST |
| 18. Clubhouse cleaning: £20 approx. per hour for outside cleaners. DG suggested that if someone misses their cleaning shift they will be put on twice – if they do not turn up again there will be a fine of £20. | |

It was agreed to put to the members at the AGM that if people don't want to clean, they will be taken off the list and pay £20 extra in membership fees. DG

19. Nominations for honorary membership. This will have to be done at the AGM.

20. EB – Doesn't see any payment to the President for expenses. TST
For years it has been £250. EB wants to suggest that MG gets £250. GCM agreed that all expenses should be reimbursed up to a maximum of £300 (with receipts).

AJ

NEW BUSINESS

1. Chairman's Report

Defibrillator and resuscitation training: TST doesn't know where defibrillator is going to be sited. Works out at about £100 a year. JT co-ordinating the training with the Lions and TST liaising on siting. See how response is – and if spots still available put out in newsletter. TST/JT

Loans – Should they be paid back to EB and TG?

2. Treasurer – Absent from GCM

3. Captain's Report - DC

DC had to cancel Reading friendly on Sunday. DC suggest move Hallier Trophy to a weekday. JT said that restricts those who work. Decided to keep on Sunday 17th August. DC to open up but review for next year. DC

Need to review teams/fixtures for next year.

Need some new outside mats. DC at least 12. Blue would be advisable - £13.00. We should take out the worst ones that have perished. Agreed to go ahead with purchase. DC to see whether Hook logo on. DC

21st September short mats to go down. Start short mat leagues week commencing 13th October (after bowls trip to Spain) and roll ups will start on Monday 22nd September.

Do we want a 10.30 am short mat session every Wednesday?

4. Fixtures Secretary - BW

BW to buy LED lights to replace candlelight bowls – total cost £30.00 approx. Agreed. BW

BW to write job description/responsibility for Fixtures Secretary to be in the constitution and will send to TST. BW

Friday 22nd August evening agreed date for evening. BW to liaise with social committee – Sunset internal end of season game/social to be organised by BW. BW

5. Bar Manager's Report

Involved in organising the President's Day - put bar rota out late. JN didn't turn up – so there was no-one running the bar. MG to put out another request for bar staff. The tablet to be put back on the table as till needs replacing and if the storeroom is being refurbished then then this should be put in place. MG

6. Green Manager's Report

Steve L taking on another guy – we have not been watering the green for 2 weeks.

7. Maintenance

TST will have a meeting with DF to sort out what needs to be done. TST

8. President's Day

MG to put a note out about funds raised for charity. Between £400 and £450.

AGM is 22nd November 2025.

AOB

2 new members, Bill Sandle and John Mitten. Will lose about 10 members probably.

EB talking to Websters. Re sponsorship.

Next Meeting is Tuesday 2nd September 2025.

