

**Victoria Bowling Club
Meeting of the Committee
Wednesday, 16 January 2019, 7pm**

Agenda Item	Present:	Action
	Steve Cornell [SCL] (chairperson), Alan Gilpin [AGN], Simon Airey [SAY], Dave Hourihan [DHN], Paul Crossland [PCD], Martin Blamire [MBE], Alan Medcalf [AMF], Dan Hartley [DHY].	
1	Apologies: Geoff Thompson [GTN].	
2	Minutes of the previous meeting (held on 5 December 2018): The minutes were accepted as a true record (proposed by DHN, seconded PCD).	
3	<p>Matters Arising:</p> <p>a. Notices of Motion / AGM – AGN put up a notice for members to be aware of how (and when by) they can make a notice of motion for the AGM, as well as emailing all members with the same. No notices of motion have been received from the membership.</p> <p>The committee’s notice of motion will be that the members adopt a new team selection policy (see appendix 1). We will put this to the members, and if adopted, they will then also need to vote between the two options therein.</p> <p>AGN produced a proposed agenda for the AGM (appendix 2), which was agreed. Both the agenda, and the selection policy, should be displayed in the clubhouse, and AGN agreed to put up after the meeting. AGN was also asked to email this out to members.</p> <p>b. Floodlights – No updates on this, as it has been Christmas.</p> <p>c. Team Shirts – Still no response from Dave Jackson’s company, but SCL has shown their stuff to the Kendal company, who say they can provide the same shirts for a slightly cheaper price. They recommended printing on the shirts, rather than embroidery, due to the material used. They will do a sample for us, and would require a minimum order.</p> <p>SCL was asked to obtain the sample and confirm the minimum order value as soon as he can; ideally this should be on display by the AGM to generate interest pre-season.</p> <p>d. Floodlit League 2019 – AGN has written (by email) to all clubs who have played in the competition in the past five years, inviting them to stay / return with the new rules: - 8 teams confirmed so far, being Arnside, Burneside, Heversham, Holme A & B, Milnthorpe & Vic A & B. 1 team turned down the opportunity, being Hale due to lack of numbers. Allithwaite have been invited to take up this place, and have accepted.</p> <p>Abbot Hall to confirm after their AGM (21 February) Lindale acknowledged the email but yet to confirm either way (have until end of March) Sedbergh have not replied at all, but have until the end of March</p> <p>Netherfield will confirm by the end of this month Subscription to confirm after their committee meeting (end of this week) No reply from Staveley or Windermere</p> <p>AGN and SCL should see Sedbergh, Staveley and Windermere at the Kendal League EGM tomorrow evening, and were asked to check whether they had received the emails. If any team does not (re)join, then AGN to email potential new clubs with the suggested first batch of invites to go to Endmoor, Crosthwaite, Levens & Bowness.</p>	<p>AGN</p> <p>SCL</p> <p>SCL</p> <p>SCL / AGN</p>
4	Proposals and Other Matters: None received.	
5	Treasurers Report: There is £11,974 in the bank plus around £1,100 in the bar account. <p>AGN has balanced SAY’s accounts, and is waiting for the bar information from AMF.</p>	AMF / AGN
6	Secretaries Report: Club Competitions & Other Social Events: The unofficial winter singles league on Friday afternoons was won by Martin Gilpin, runner-up Keith Atkinson with AGN 3 rd and Chris Wyatt 4 th . This has now started again for 2019, and is expected to be concluded by the AGM. <p>The unofficial winter doubles league on Sunday afternoons was won by the Greenkeeperz (AMF, PCD & Terry Mercer), with The Pen Pin Bowlers (Keith Atkinson, Hazel Borradaile & AGN) second and MS Von Wyatt (Chris Wyatt, Sue Hillbeck, Michael Wilson & Yvonne Gregory) third. This has now started again for 2019, and is expected to be concluded by the AGM.</p>	

	<p>The Winter Singles Competition was won by Ian Mitchell, who beat Sam Blackstone 11-6 in the final, in a field of 24.</p> <p>AGN has added a list for the member + non-member doubles competition, to be held on 9 March (weather permitting), as well as a schedule of dates of the other competitions. There are only six names down so far, and AGN encouraged the committee to drum up support for the event. AGN also noted that he was likely to be away that weekend, and so PCD and AMF would need to run the event on the day.</p> <p>AGN asked whether a social night will be held in February, and it was agreed to hold one on the 8th. PCD to promote and AGN to mention in his email to members when he sends out the AGM information.</p> <p>Kendal League There is an EGM tomorrow night, where a new secretary is expected to be appointed. Fixtures are out, and we have until the first game of the season to tidy up our online information.</p> <p>Seniors League An email has been received from the new league secretary, Mike Fell (Holme BC). Fixtures are out, and he'd be grateful if we could tidy up our online information before the season starts.</p> <p>Rural League Fixtures expected to be out this month, and we've been promised away matches on our over-60s competition and the Friday before the Isle of Man week (in case we want to bring that KDBL fixture forward). We have agreed to host the Skidmore Competition first round matches on 6 September.</p> <p>Cumbria County We sent our apologies for the AGM, and no minutes have been circulated. A letter has been received from the Ladies County (appendix 3), which AGN has forwarded on to all of our female members.</p> <p>Safeguarding MBE handed his DBS certificate to AGN, for forwarding on to Denise Noble, on request.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>PCD / AGN</p> <p>AGN</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>New Membership Applications: AGN stated that when going through SAY's accounts, he noted that several members were able to purchase a part-year, however, those that joined just for the winter had to pay a full year. AGN stated that he understood why this had happened, but proposed that as a gesture of good faith to those that paid full price just for winter, we offer a special re-join price of 50% if they renew by the end of April 2019.</p> <p>A discussion was had around this. AMF said that those that joined all knew what they were paying for, so felt that there was no reason to offer this. A vote was taken, and it was decided not to offer any discount to those members who joined late in 2018, for their 2019 renewal.</p> <p>AGN asked whether £30 was now too low a subscription fee for members, being as we are the only Kendal area club that offers winter bowling. It was felt that whilst it was low for those that played over winter, it would be unfair to ask all members to pay a higher fee, as many didn't use the green over winter. SAY asked whether the winter bowling cost us any more in green maintenance, and AMF replied that it did not, and if anything, playing on the green all year was actually good for it.</p>	
<p>8</p>	<p>Any other business: AGN stated that he'd had an email from Sue Hillbeck, asking about sponsor board invoices. She had seen Kevin Bateman (Anne Oswald used to send this to him), who said he'd send the money if we get him an invoice. SAY to get a template together and send out.</p> <p>SCL asked whether the club should put anything towards Jonathan Cooper's fundraising. After a brief discussion, it was decided not to contribute club funds to the cause.</p>	<p>SAY</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>Date of the next meeting(s): The next meeting will be the AGM on Saturday, 23 February at noon. The next committee meeting is then to be held on Wednesday, 6 March at 7pm.</p>	

The meeting closed at 7:45pm