

## **Haughley P F Bowls Club.**

### **Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2017**

**Present:** R.Gill (Chairman), T.Offord, P.Mead, D.Ribbans, G.Nunn, P.Wright, J.Hawkins, T.Nicholas, J.Gill, B.Mayhew, N.Hammond,

**Apologies:** R.Blissitt, I.Bonnett, R.Lillistone, J.Leith, B.Norman,

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and duly signed by the Chairman. There were no matters arising.

**Treasurers Report:** P.Mead said the Club had a balance of £13,000. He felt there was no need to raise subscription or rink fees for the coming year.

**Secretary's Report:** T,Offord asked any player who wished to be considered for a county trial or inclusion in the Inter League or Marie Denny teams to contact him as soon as possible.

**Competition Secretary's Report:** G.Nunn said the Finals day had gone really well in spite of severe problems with non-availability of players. He said no-one should enter any competition if they were not going to be able to play on Finals Day. He thanked everyone who helped on the day but said he would not be seeking re-election due to personal reasons. R.Gill on behalf of the Club thanked Grant and his wife Wendy for all their help during the year and on Finals Day.

**Club Captains Report:** B.Mayhew said he felt the Club had a reasonable season as we won The Bullen Cup, won div 4 of the Bowls England league, reached the area final of the Marie Curie Cup and both Tuesday afternoon teams finished a creditable runners up. He said it was a privilege to be Club Captain but felt we should have a Club Captain Elect and then serve for 2 years. The committee agreed to this and would take this suggestion to the AGM.

**Ground Committee Report:** R,Gill emphasised the need for more help on a Thursday morning. We now only have 3 regular helpers and we are asking all members to consider giving something back to the Club by volunteering a couple of hours attending to the green and the surrounds this could be any day not just on a Thursday. Please contact Ray if you can help.

**Indoor Captains Report:** P.Mead said he had taken on the role of Indoor Captain of the Village League Team.

**Social Co-ordinators Report:** P.Mead said he would have dates for the AGM.

**New Members:** P.Mead explained that we could have as many as 6 new bowlers joining us next season.

**Entry to Leagues and Cups:** The committee agreed that we should recommend that we enter the same leagues and Cups as last year. The committee agreed that we should possibly enter the Stowmarket Thursday League as well as the Bury Afternoon League on Mondays next year if we have more members, This proposal would be taken to the AGM.

**Officers for next Season:** All officers and Captains had agreed to carry on, if elected, apart from Grant Nunn (Competition Secretary), Tony Offord (Bowls England Captain) and Neil Hammond (Tuesday Afternoon B Capt). We are looking for volunteers for any of the roles and if you feel you can help please contact Ray Gill.

**Green Surrounds:** R.Gill gave a detailed explanation on the work that is to be carried out on the surrounds of the green. Work had already commenced and is ahead of the expected schedule, but it was stressed that all members must be prepared to help in some way at various stages with this project. P.Mead said he would ask members to help as and when required.

P.Mead said every member has received a new registration form and all players are urged to return them to Tony Offord before October 11<sup>th</sup>.

REMEMBER THE AGM IS NOW ON WEDNESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER AT 7.30PM IN THE CLUBHOUSE.

YOU ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND AND REMEMBER TO RETURN YOUR REGISTRATION FORM AND MONEY BEFORE 11<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER. This is needed as everyone has to be registered with the County by 31<sup>st</sup> October and also we need to know who would like to play in their chosen leagues your responses will determine whether we need to enter extra leagues.