

# Buckfastleigh Bowling Club Duckspond Road Buckfastleigh TQ11 ONL

#### **AGM**

Meeting held on 17 October 2019 at 7pm.

Present: John Sims – President & Chairman; Tom Bowden – Secretary & Treasurer; Jeanne Pinney – Vice Chairman; Ham Sampford & Pauline Manfield – Committee Members.

Members present: Shirley Joint; Roger Joint; Lesley Clark; Kelvin Clark; Ken Bamsey; Barbara Bamsey; Bob Dowdell; Richard Nicholls; Derek Voaden; Mike Raggett; Dianne Raggett; Will Lithgow; Terry Deemer; Sue Heyes; Geoff Mant; Miles Grindrod; Kevin Murray; Gwen Murray; Stuart Shaw; Will Wale; Keith Stow; David Burningham; Irene Voaden (Social Member); Christine Lithgow (Social Member).

#### **Presidents Welcome and Opening Remarks**

The President welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Tom for all the work he has done in getting all the paperwork done and circulated.

He mentioned the Brexit agreement signed today but said there was still a lot of uncertainty surrounding the deal. He hoped that after tonight's meeting there would have no uncertainty, just confidence in the future of our club.

#### **Apologies:**

Apologies were received from: Jenny Goss; Peter Carter; John Fox; Pat Friendship; Mike Anderson; Sonia Bowden; Colin Raggett; Rhoda Parker; Terry Humphries and Toby Humphries.

#### Minutes of the 2018 AGM:

The minutes of the last AGM, held on 18 October 2018, were proposed as correct by Bob Dowdell, seconded by Jeanne Pinney and signed by the Chairman.

#### **Minutes of the 2018 SGM:**

The minutes of the SGM, held on 9 December 2018, were proposed as correct by Sue Heyes, seconded by Bob Dowdell and signed by the Chairman.

#### **Club Constitution:**

Tom outlined the changes being made to the Club's Constitution, which in accordance with the Constitutions section on Alterations to the Constitution, was proposed by Tom Bowden, seconded by John Sims. These changes were agreed by the meeting. (A show of hands showed more than the required  $2/3^{\rm rds}$  majority). The newly adopted Constitution is attached to these minutes.

#### **Matters Arising:**

None.

#### **Chairman's Report:**

The Chairman presented his report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

#### **Secretary's Report:**

Tom presented his report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Tom presented his report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

Bob enquired about the Current Liabilities shown in Balance Sheet. The amount was an accrual for the ground works that need to be carried out in accordance with the small grant receive from Buckfastleigh Town Council.

Tom raised the issue regarding membership fees, in that they are not generally received until after the Club must register teams with the various leagues. Consequently, we do not "know" our membership until after registration. It was agreed by the meeting that membership fees be collected at the January and February Social Nights. Members may post date their chaques to 1 May if they so wish.

It was agreed that the membership fees for the 2020 season will be:

Full Member:	75.00
Junior Member:	12.00
Associate Member:	40.00
Social Member:	7.50
New Member (New to bowls)	20.00

**Action:** TB

#### **Club Captain's Report:**

The Club Captain's report was presented to the meeting, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

The President questioned whether everyone knew the role of the Club Captain. There was general agreement that that was the case. Tom informed the meeting that the Executive Committee has agreed the duties of each of the officers of the Club and these will be displayed on the notice board in the near future.

#### **Green Manager's Report:**

Ham presented his report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

He mentioned the difficulty the green team had in applying the top dressing, and because of the inclement weather, half of the green is being top dressed by hand.

He also mentioned the occurrence of dollar spot on the green and stressed that everyone should ensure their shoes and woods are cleaned after visiting other greens.

Finally, Ham thanked everyone who gave their time throughout the season to help with the maintenance of the green.

#### **Lady Captain's Report:**

Shirley presented her report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

#### Men's A Team Captain's Report:

Stuart reported that the A team hadn't had a very good season and have been relegated to division 3 of the MDL. He thanked everyone who had played, particularly the B team players who had played 60 times for the A team last season. He said there are too many older players who tended to tire as the matches went on. A lot of matches were lost on the last few ends. He thought the only way to improve it was practice and commented that not enough players turned up on Club Nights where there is opportunity for practice.

#### Men's B Team Captain's Report:

Burnie thanked everyone who played for the B team and even though we were short in many of the games, we did win 14-0 at Newton Abbot with 3 players short. Tom mentioned that the B team did however win more games than the A team.

#### **Men's X Team Captain's Report:**

Stuart said that although we got off to a good start winning at Newton Abbot and Bitton Park, but it went downhill from there.

#### **Men's Y Team Captain's Report:**

Will thanked everyone who played for the Y team and commented on how many games were lost by a couple of shots.

#### **Election of Club Officers:**

Chairman:

Vice Chairman:

Secretary:

Tom Bowden

Treasurer:

Club Captain:

Green Manager:

Ladies Captain:

Bob Dowdell

Jeanne Pinney

Tom Bowden

Tom Bowden

Not elected

Ham Sampford

Sue Heyes

Committee Member (M): Terry Humphries

Committee Member (F): Jenny Goss Men's Fixture Secretary: Sue Hayes Ladies Fixture Secretary: Pauline Manfield

Men's A Team Captain:

Men's B Team Captain:

Men's X Team Captain:

Men's X Team Captain:

Men's Y Team Captain:

Men's Y Team Captain:

Mill Wale

Competitions Secretary:

Bar Manager:

Jeanne Pinney

Terry Humphries

Press Officer: John Sims

There being no further business the Chairman thanked the members present for attending and closed the meeting at 8.05pm.

Signed as correct:

Chairman



### Buckfastleigh Bowling Club

#### **CONSTITUTION**

(Adopted at General Meeting held on 17th October 2019)

#### **Title**

1.1 The Club shall be called Buckfastleigh Bowling Club, hereafter to be referred to as "the Club" and shall be affiliated to Bowls Devon and Bowls England.

#### **Objectives**

2.1 To foster and promote the amateur sport of bowls at all levels, providing opportunities for recreation and competition.

#### **Membership**

- 3.1 Membership of the Club shall be open to any person completing a membership application form and paying the relevant subscription/joining fee as determined by the Annual General Meeting of the Club Members. The Club Executive Committee must approve a member's application.
  - The Club Executive Committee may refuse membership, or remove it, only for good cause such as conduct or character likely to bring the Club of sport into disrepute.
  - Appeal against refusal or removal may be made to the members in the General Meeting.
- 3.2 There shall be five classes of membership available. These are:
  - 3.2.1 Full Member.
  - 3.2.2 Associate Member. Associate Members may play on Club Nights (Roll Ups) and may attend any Club social activities.
  - 3.2.3 Junior Member (Under 16 years of age).
  - 3.2.4 Social Member. Social members may attend any Club social activities. The annual subscription for a Social Member will be 10% of that for a Full Member.
  - 3.2.5 Life Member. The Annual General Meeting may grant life membership to Full Members of the Club. Life Members will retain their rights as Full Members without further requirement to pay their annual subscription.

- 3.3 President. This is a courtesy title given to a member who has supported the Club over a number of years and carries no rights of membership.
- 3.4 The Club is committed to promoting a safe environment in which children and vulnerable adults can enjoy taking part in the game of bowls. It will seek to underpin and ensure this commitment by following and promoting the Safeguarding Policy and Procedures of the National Governing Bodies to which the Club is affiliated.

#### **Officers**

4.1 The Executive Officers of the Club shall be as follows:

Chairman
Vice Chairman
Secretary
Treasurer
Club Captain
Green Manager

4.2 The Non-Executive Officers of the Club shall be as follows:

Men's Representative
Ladies Representative
Ladies and Men's Fixture Secretary
Ladies and Men's Team Captains
Competitions Secretary
Bar Manager
Press Officer

#### **Election of Officers**

- 5.1 All Officers shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Club, from, and by, the Full Members of the Club.
- 5.2 All Officers are elected for a period of one year, but may be re-elected to the same office or another office the following year.

#### **Property and Funds**

- 6.1 The property and funds of the Club cannot be used for the direct or indirect private benefit of its members other than as reasonably allowed by the following in connection with the sports purposes of the Club.
  - 6.1.1 The Club may provide sporting and related social facilities, maintenance of such facilities, club sporting equipment, coaching courses, post match refreshments and other ordinary benefits of membership of an amateur sports club.

- 6.1.2 The Club may sell and supply food, drink and related sports clothing and equipment.
- 6.1.3 The Club may employ members (though not for playing) and remunerate them for providing goods and services, on fair terms set by the Executive Committee without the person concerned being present.
- 6.1.4 The Club may pay for reasonable hospitality for visiting teams and guests.
- 6.2 The Club indemnifies the Executive Committee and members acting properly in the course of the running of the Club against any liability incurred in the proper running of the Club (but only to the extent of its assets).

#### **Executive Committee**

- 7.1 The affairs of the Club shall be controlled by an-Executive Committee comprising of the Executive Officers of the Club and the Men's and Ladies Representatives. The Executive Committee shall meet at agreed intervals and not less than two times per year. Four Committee members shall form a quorum.
- 7.2 The duties of the Executive Committee shall be:
  - 7.2.1 To control the affairs of the Club on behalf of the Members.
  - 7.2.2 To keep accurate accounts of the finances of the Club through the Treasurer. These should be available for reasonable inspection by Members and should be audited before every Annual General Meeting. The Club shall maintain a bank account, invest surplus funds and the following shall be authorized to sign Club cheques: the Treasurer together with any of the three properly delegated members of the Executive Committee.
  - 7.2.3 To appoint a Green Team.
  - 7.2.4 To co-opt a Full Member to fill any vacancy that may arise amongst the Officers or other Committee members. Such members shall have the same rights and obligations as if they had been elected at a General Meeting.
  - 7.2.5 To appoint sub-committees. Each sub-committee shall appoint its own chairman and shall report to the Executive Committee.
  - 7.2.6 To appoint delegates or representatives to appropriate bodies.
  - 7.2.7 To set the Rules of the Club and to agree any amendments thereto.
  - 7.2.8 To make decisions on the basis of a simple majority vote. In the case of equal votes, the Chairman shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.
  - 7.2.9 To allocate Honoraria.
  - 7.2.10 To appoint a Safeguarding Officer.

#### **Trustees**

- 8.1 There shall be at least three Trustees of the Club who shall be appointed from time to time as necessary by the Executive Committee from among Full or Life Members who are willing to be so appointed.
- 8.2 A Trustee shall hold office for a maximum term of 10 years, or until they resign by notice in writing given to the Executive Committee or until a resolution removing them from office be passed at a meeting of the-Executive Committee by a majority comprising two-thirds of the Members present and entitled to vote.
- 8.3 All the property of the Club, including land and investments, shall be held by the Trustees for the time being, in their own names so far as it is necessary and practicable, on trust for the use and benefit of the Club. In the event of the death, resignation, or removal from office of a Trustee, the Executive Committee shall nominate a new Trustee in their place, and shall as soon as possible thereafter take all lawful and practicable steps to procure the vesting of all Club property into the names of the Trustees as constituted after such nomination. For the purpose of giving effect to any such nomination, the Secretary for the time being is hereby nominated as the person to appoint new Trustees of the Club within the meaning of Section 36 of the Trustee Act 1925 and they shall by Deed duly appoint the person or persons so nominated by the Executive Committee.
- 8.4 The Trustees shall in all respects act, in regard to any property of the Club held by them, in accordance with the directions of the Executive Committee and shall have power to sell, lease, mortgage or pledge any Club property so held for the purpose of raising or borrowing money for the benefit of the Club in compliance with the Executive Committee's directions (which shall be duly recorded in the Minutes of the proceedings of the Executive Committee) but no purchaser, lessee or mortgagee shall be concerned to enquire whether any such direction has been given.
- 8.5 The Trustees shall be effectually indemnified by the members of the Club out of the assets of the Club from and against any liability, costs, expenses and payments whatsoever which may be properly incurred or made by them in the exercise of their duties or relation to any property of the Club vested in them, or in relation to any legal proceedings, or which otherwise relate directly or indirectly to the performance of the functions of a Trustee of the Club.

#### **General Meetings**

9.1 The Annual General Meeting of the Club shall be held not later than the end of October each year. 14 clear days written notice shall be given to Members of the Annual General Meeting by posting the notice on the Club notice board. Members must advise the Secretary in writing of any business to be moved at the Annual General Meeting at least 7 days before a meeting.

- 9.2 The business of the Annual General Meeting shall be to:
  - 9.2.1 Confirm the minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting and any General Meetings held since the last Annual General Meeting.
  - 9.2.2 Receive the audited accounts from the Treasurer.
  - 9.2.3 Receive the annual report from the Chairman.
  - 9.2.4 Elect the Officers and Executive Committee of the Club.
  - 9.2.5 Elect an Auditor.
  - 9.2.6 Review Club subscription rates and agree them for the forthcoming year.
  - 9.2.7 Transact such other business received in writing by the Secretary from Members 7 days prior to the meeting and included on the agenda.
- 9.3 Special General Meetings may be convened by the General Committee or on receipt by the Secretary of a request in writing from not less than 10 Full Members of the Club. At least 21 days notice of the meeting shall be given.
- 9.4 Nomination of candidates for election of Officers shall be made in writing to the Secretary at least 14 days in advance of the Annual General Meeting date.

  Nominations can only be made by Full Members and must be seconded by another Full Member and accepted by the member.
- 9.5 At all General Meetings, the chair will be taken by the President, in their absence by the Chairman, in their absence the Vice Chairman, or, in the absence of those, by a person nominated by the Full Members attending the meeting.
- 9.6 Decisions made at a General Meeting shall be by a simple majority of votes from those Full Members attending the meeting. In the event of equal votes, the Chairman of the meeting shall be entitled to an additional casting vote.
- 9.7 A quorum for a General Meeting shall be 10 Full Members and 2 Officers of the Club including 1 from the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer.
- 9.8 Each Full Member of the Club shall be entitled to one vote at General Meetings.

#### Bar

- 10.1 The bar may be open to members and guests between 11am and 11pm every day except New Years Eve, when it will be open until 1am.
- 10.2 No person under the age of 18 is allowed in the pavilion when the bar is open unless accompanied by a responsible adult; proof of age will be required.
- 10.3 Any person visiting the club as a player or spectator will be classed as a Temporary Member for the duration of their visit.
- 10.4 On Social Evenings, Members may introduce up to 2 guests.

- 10.5 Management of the bar will be by the Bar Manager, who will be responsible for stocking of the bar.
- 10.6 Accounting for all monies passing through the bar will be the responsibility of the Club Treasurer.
- 10.7 Any member or guest will be asked to leave if their behaviour is unacceptable and be subject to Rule 3.1.

#### **Alterations to the Constitution**

11.1 Any proposed alterations to the Club Constitution may only be considered at an Annual or Special General Meeting, convened with the required written notice of the proposer. Any alteration or amendment must be proposed by a Full Member of the Club and seconded by another Full Member. Such alterations shall be passed or supported by not less than two thirds of those Full Members present at the meeting, assuming that a quorum has been achieved.

#### Dissolution

- 12.1 If at any General Meeting of the Club, a resolution be passed calling for the dissolution of the Club, the Secretary shall immediately convene a Special General Meeting of the Club to be held not less than a month thereafter to discuss and vote on the resolution.
- 12.2 If, at that Special General Meeting, the resolution is carried by at least two thirds of the Full Members present at the meeting, the General Committee shall thereupon, or at such date as shall have been specified in the resolution, proceed to realize the assets of the Club and discharge all debts and liabilities of the Club.
- 12.3 After discharging all debts and liabilities of the Club, the remaining assets shall not be paid or distributed amongst the Full Members of the Club, but shall be given or transferred to some other voluntary organization having objects similar to those of the Club or to the Club's National Governing Body.

#### BUCKFASTLEIGH BOWLING CLUB

## President & Chairman's Report For 2019 Season

As I hold the position of your President and also the role of Chairman, I am combining my 2019 report.

In my position as President I am delighted to welcome you all, thank you for attending. I will now put on my Chairman's hat.

My report will look back on the past year, but I will also be expressing my own thoughts on the future of our club.

The 2018 A.G.M closed in a unsatisfactory manner because a number of positions on the Management Committee were not filled, Therefore when Jacqui Elliott resigned in November from her position of Secretary our Chairman felt he had no other option but to resign because his committee did not have enough members to form a quorum.

The clubs Trustees early in December called a Special General Meeting hoping to form a newly elected committee. This meeting was well attended and all positions on the Management Committee were filled. I would like to thank Jeanne Pinney and Roger Joint, as Trustees for the action taken to solve this problem.

Before Mike Anderson resigned as Chairman, he had been in long negotiations with Teignbridge Council in reference to their failure to pay a grant towards maintenance of our green. He agreed to carry on talking with TDC and due to Mike's perseverance, an agreement was reached which your Treasurer will explain later. Mike I would like not only thank you for reaching an agreement with TDC but also for the duties you carried out as our Chairman.

Thanks to the work of our green team, the green was opened by the Mayor (without his chain of office) as planned the last weekend in April.

Recruitment was held earlier than usual because it was felt the Men's B team could be short of bowlers for this season. Unfortunately, this proved to be the case all season.

I would like to thank club coach Roger Joint for his skills and efforts in introducing the game of bowls to many members during the past few seasons and also the members who have helped Roger.

It is now also time to thank all members who have helped in various ways to benefit the club. This club is fortunate that a high number of members help this club in many ways. This year I am not going to name names but just areas of this club where if the club did not receive support it would not be the club it is.

My Management team, the clubs team Captains, fixture Secretaries, the Green team, the ladies who help with the catering and cleaning, Bar manager and those who help him, those responsible for social evenings and holding raffles, winter bowling and so the list goes on and finally everyone who joins this club. I thank you all I am well aware we are not perfect but thanks to you all we have got through another season playing the game we all love.

I will now move on to the future, we now live in a totally different world than when I joined this club over twenty years ago, lifestyles have changed people sometimes do not even have time to think. It is not only bowls clubs who are now finding it difficult to recruit.

When I came to live in Devon golf clubs had members waiting lists now when you drive past a golf club you will see outside plastic banners like our own offering all sorts of special joining membership.

I am convinced that in the future any sport clubs who are well run and cut their cloth accordingly, their membership numbers will survive. For this reason, I see the next two years as crucial for the future of this club and because of this I will not be standing for re-election as your Chairman. Next year will see me being in my mid- eighties and now must be the time for me to cut back on my commitments and hopefully hand over to a younger person.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate your ex-Chairman Bob Dowdell who from early in December will become President of Bowls Devon. This position not only is prestige to Bob but also brings honour to his own club. To reach this position Bob became Junior Vice President in 2017 followed by becoming Vice President in 2018.

I am sure you all wish Bob success in this demanding role. At the end of this meeting Bob has asked us if he can have time to explain the commitments which Bowls Devon are responsible for and also the duties which he will carry out next year.

Recruitment is so important for the future success of this club, please, please, please by word of mouth inform to all during this winter how the game of bowls offers so much to everyone.

In closing this report, I am hoping we do not leave this meeting in the unsatisfactory way at which we left the AGM last year.

Wishing all club members an enjoyable Christmas and I look forward to seeing you all in 2020.

John Sims



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### Secretary's Report for AGM 17 October 2019

Over the past 12 months the Executive Committee has met on 8 occasions since the last AGM. The minutes of those meetings are available online on our website, and also in the blue folder in the clubhouse.

#### **Recruitment**

As a small club we are always in need of new members. The committee decided to run our 2019 recruitment campaign during the whole of May, on Sunday mornings and Monday evenings. The sessions drew a lot of interest and whilst we let some potential members slip through the net, we did manage to recruit 4 'new to bowls' members and 4 returning former members. Recruitment is an ongoing process, not just a pre-season exercise and the committee would ask all members to encourage their family, friends and acquaintances to become members. Our first year membership offer of £20 for those new to bowls is an exceptionally good offer.

#### **Fund Raising**

The committee is also mindful that, as a small club, we need to look at various avenues to generate income. To that end, a sub committee will meet during the winter months to discuss a range of revenue generating ideas. We also ran a few more social events this year which raised money for the club. This will continue next year.

#### **Fixtures**

All of our league fixtures were fulfilled apart from 1 Ladies PDL fixture which was conceded. We played 8 mixed friendlies during the year, 1 fixture was cancelled because of rain and 2 others were cancelled because of a re-arranged fixture. Sue has a hard job trying to get teams for these friendlies and I would ask that ALL members make every effort to play in these games next year.

#### **Club Competitions**

The results of this year's club competitions were:

Competition	Winner	Runner-Up
Tolchard	Matt Bowen	Geoff Mant
Hoskin	Colin Raggett	Mike Anderson
Hamlyn	Colin Raggett	Andy Bowen
Novice	Kelvin Clark	Tom Bowden
Over 55's	Sue Heyes	Will Wale
Pairs	Terry Humphries & Matt	Jenny Goss & Will Wale
	Bowen	
Williams	Sue Heyes	Jenny Goss
Ladies Two	Di Raggett	Sonia Bowden
Wood		
Grogan	Sue Heyes	Jenny Goss

Congratulations to the winners and all who took part. I hope more members enter the various competitions next year.

#### Website

One of the first tasks I undertook this year was to update our website. The site contains amongst other things:

Club's policies, including Constitution;

Minutes of the Executive Committee

Fixtures and Results (Summer & Winter)

**Social Events** 

**Club Honours** 

For those who don't know the website address, it is

www.buckfastleighbowlingclub.co.uk

Finally, I would like to thank all members who have helped me fulfil my duties during my 1st year as Club Secretary, with particular thanks to John, Jeanne and Pauline.

Tom Bowden

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Hon. Secretary



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### **Treasurer's Report for AGM 17 October 2019**

Firstly I would like to thank Keith for holding the purse strings of our Club for the last 9 years. Thank you Keith.

The accounts for the year - thanks to Mike for auditing them - are attached to this report.

On first glance it may appear that the Club are doing rather well, turning a £2.5k deficit into a £6.2k profit.

There are several reasons for this:

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Teignbridge DC Grant	5,000
(includes £3,000 for last year)	
Increased income from the bar	600
Reduction in Premises expenditure	2,500
Miscellaneous	700

The grant from TDC next year will be only £1,000 and will cease in 2021 - our centenary year, for which we will need to make preparations for next year.

We also received a small grant for the Town Council of £500 towards tree clearing and sundry grounds work, and a grant of £210 from Bowls Alliance towards our recruitment campaign in May.

A number of social events were held during the year and whilst attendances were generally poor, great fun was had by those who came along and helped raise nearly £300 for the club. We hope to run more social evenings next year, so please watch the notice boards!

Following a request from the younger members of our club, the committee decided to change our finals day into a "Family Day", with finals played before the day. The Family Day was a great success for those who attended - 21 members + guests. Just over £200 was raised towards club funds.

I would like to thank Terry Humphries for taking on the duties of Bar Manager and his sterling efforts in keeping the bar restocked. For the record, bar sales were made up as follows:

	<u>£</u>
A Team Matches	692
B Team Matches	705
Mixed Matches	365
Roll Ups	634
Social Events	347
Other Events	398
Total	3,141

So congratulations to the B Team for keeping the club afloat! (They also won more games than the A Team!!).

I would also like to thank the Ladies for their magnificent efforts during the year in keeping us fed and watered and keeping the premises clean. Thank you Ladies.

For the following year, I propose no increase in our subscription rates, which are:

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Full Member:	75.00
Junior Member:	12.00
Associate Member:	40.00
Social Member:	7.50

There are also concessions for those joining part way through the season: July £40 and August £20. Additionally, for those new to bowls, the first year membership is £20. I would like to propose that this is further reduced to £10 next year to further encourage new members. (The affiliation fee to Bowls Devon is £8.70).

There is an annual problem of registering teams for the league before we know the membership for the year. In an ideal world the membership fees should run in parallel to the financial year, ie October - September. However, this would be harsh to impose and I would recommend that membership fees are collected at the social events in January and February. ie prior to the Opening of Green in April.

Although the club is in a sound financial position, we must not be complacent and continue to work to maximise our income in order to remain viable for the future. As mentioned in my Secretary's Report, we will be looking at ways we can secure additional funding this winter.

Tom Bowden Hon. Treasurer

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# **Buckfastleigh Bowls Club**

Revenue Acco 2017/2018	ount	£	£ 2018/2019	
	Income	_		
3,430	Annual Subscriptions	3,6	17	
0	Grants	5,7		
200	Sponsorship		.00	
185	Donations .		97	
2,167	Teas & Draws	2,1	39	
1,352	Annual Dinner	1,0	32	
1,138	Bar Sales	3,1	41	
389	Competitions	3	377	
102	Green Fees	2	:59	
325	Clothing	2	32	
0	Social Events	2	:56	
42	Other Income		16	
9,330	•		17,076	
	Expenditure			
3,628	Green & Machinery	3,6	20	
3,296	Premises & Grounds	7	61	
186	Rent	1	68	
158	Electricity	3	96	
269	Water Rates	3	571	
0	Fire Extinguisher Check	1	65	
690	Insurance		93	
0	Advertising	2	:16	
188	Printing, Postage & Stationery	2	28	
502	Members Expenses		0	
70	Bar Licence		80	
0	Website		5	
85	Sundries		27	
1,193	Annual Dinner		12	
1,114	Affiliation Fees & Trophies	1,0		
543	Food & Draws		18	
0	Clothing	1	71	
0	Bank Charges		0	
0	Bar Expenses	1,4	<u>21                                    </u>	
11,922			10,894	_
(2,592)	Surplus/(Deficit)		6,182	_

# **Buckfastleigh Bowls Club**

#### Capital Account

Account			
	Fixed Assets		
0	Premises	0	
0			0
	Current Assets		
11,670	Bank	18,500	
134	Cash in Hand	83	
287	Bar Stock	369	
644	Clothing	472	
0	Debtors	73	
12,735			19,497
	Less: Current Liabilities		
0	Creditors	580	
			580
12,735	Net Current Assets		18,917
12,735	Total Assets		18,917
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	Financed by:		
	Members Fund		
15,327	Balance B/F	12,735	
(2,592)	Surplus/(Deficit)	6,182	
	Balance C/F	0,102	18,917
12,735	Daiaille C/F		10,917

Signed as a correct record:

Treasurer:

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1 October 2019

Tom Bowden

Auditor:

1 October 2019

Mike Anderson

#### **Club Captains Report**

As Club Captain I would like to thank the league Captains for the hard work they have done getting players for each league.

I do feel the role of Club Captain is not taken seriously. I understand that there have been quite a few rumblings going on, as Club Captain any problems should have been brought to me to try and sort out and if I could not solve it then I would have put it forward to the Executive Committee.

The two touring teams that visited us, Soar Valley and Twyford, enjoyed themselves and thank you to Sue Heyes for organising these and other friendly games that we have had.

Thank you to Pauline and her band of ladies for all their hard work and to Ham and his band of workers who have kept the green in such good condition.

I am retiring from Club Captain, so everyone please support your next Club Captain and take any problems that arise to them, otherwise the position of Club Captain is worthless.

Sonia Bowden Club Captain

#### **Green report to AGM 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

A full year's work for the Green Team and other voluntary helpers:

- ✓ Winter had been relatively kind to us, but still wet. Early preparations for the opening had been successful especially the deep spiking [deep Verti-draining completed by our consultant, Tim, the previous October 2018]. Cutting at 7 over the winter when weather allowed. Full treatment of green; scarifying both ways, reseeding, fertiliser, top dressing all completed during October 2018. Specific Iron treatment to counter the moss build-up was successful, and grass growth much improved.
- ✓ Mower sent away for servicing in January 2019.
- ✓ A Volunteer team got the Green ready for the season: seats out, rubbers down, poles out, and hedge trimmed. They need to be thanked officially.
- ✓ Green opening Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April as arranged. Next cut lowered to 5, and 10 barrowloads removed.
- ✓ Green Team set about the schedule for the season and achieved a sound result. The Green appeared to be the best yet, despite weather problems: a bit of drought, then too much rain. Many greens suffered, but ours got through relatively unscathed. Praise given by several visiting sides.
- ✓ Machinery kept in order, mainly by Ken. Adjustments made to suite the overall conditions, had been very successful in maintaining the Green. Team only had to cut to schedule without fiddling with the mechanics. Much easier for overall maintenance.
- ✓ In line with our targets the green has improved considerably, even the difficult rinks are coming back into 'playability' more frequently. Improvement more noticeable, especially by visitors. Home advantage, no longer the permanently heavy conditions at Buckfastleigh!
- ✓ Green treated with soluble fertiliser and iron mainly by Sue and Ham.
- ✓ Green reviewed from time to time with the consultant, who has applied fungicide on two occasions to counter 'Dollar Spot'. His overall comparison with other local Greens is most favourable. Greatly impressed by the efforts the Team is making, and the massive improvements to the Green. This is the only green, to his knowledge, where the members are making such a massive direct input, and achieving such spectacular results. He is very aware of the high morale of the Team, and the willingness for volunteers to take part. "The members really own your Green, and should be proud of what they are achieving".
- ✓ Towards the end of the season a plan of work to be undertaken was set out. Closing day: Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2019 was preceded by visitor matches and a Family Fun Day.
- ✓ Family Fun Day Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2018, left no lasting marks on the Green, and was a splendid event, not intentionally raising over £120 towards Club Funds, and giving members and their guests an enjoyable time.
- ✓ After the closing day the Green was scarified at least two ways, removing 7 loads mainly of thatch and some moss.
- ✓ Grass seed was spun out and fertiliser put down.
- ✓ The overhanging vegetation, along the 'pathway', that proved so difficult for the lorry to deliver the top soil in previous years was cut back thanks to Ken, Will Lithgow and Ham. Lorry delivered three tonnes successfully to the grounds on pallets.
- ✓ A great team collected on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2019 to move the bags of top dressing around, take in all the seats, rubbers etc, and spread out half the top dressing. Many thanks to all.
- ✓ Green can be wintered by Ken and Ham, and volunteers called upon as and when required.
- ✓ MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR TIME AND ENERGIES DURING THE YEAR. Ham, your 'Green Manager'

Mr Presedent, Mr Chairman Ladies & Gentlemen, We have had a very tough season this year, but we managed to cope and stay in the 1<sup>st</sup> division of the Plymouth & District League but unfortunatly dropped down to Division 4 in the South Devon League for the first time ever. We had 2 Devon County ladies matches which we managed to fulfill with a struggle but every one enjoyed the afternoon and of course one of our lovely teas by the ladies.

We also welcolmed 3 new ladies which took part in our league games this year, Pat Friendship. Jenny Goss and we were dilghted to the return of Celia Young back to our club again. and of comes Rhoda Paider & Barbara Hayword. reso lady.

I would now like to congratulate the winners of the Ladies competitions The "Williams" Singles Cup, Sue Heyes, The "Bessie Lang" 2 woods Cup Di Raggett" "Grogan" 4 woods Cup Sue Heyes Well done.

I would also like to thank Pauline for her hardwork in fixing the fixtures for us and DI for helping us to select the

teams to play.

Next year Sue Heyes has agreed to take over as Ladies Captain, and I wish her well. I would also like to thank everyone who has given me their <u>full</u> support over the last year and will show Sue the same support for the 2020/21 season.

Thank You.

ShirleyJoint Captain for 2018/2019 season