

NEWSLETTER

Welcoming all members

New Chairperson

The committee are very pleased to announce that Brian Adams has agreed to stand in as our Chair person until the AGM when any further proposals can be put forward and voted on. Brian brings a wealth of experience to the role having been at the club for many years and having served on the committee as treasurer.

Code of Conduct

The vast majority of members always adhere to our Code of Conduct which is borne out of respect for each other and etiquette when playing the game of bowls. Unfortunately, we find ourselves having to remind the few that we will not tolerate members who breach our code and any reported allegations of a breach will be taken very seriously. If you find yourself in the unfortunate position of needing to report a breach please email or write to the secretary at the address below



Successful Family Fun Day

This day was arranged to bring new people into the Life Centre to try bowling and we are pleased to report that around 50 people attended throughout the day. The best news is that 2 adults then came along to Scope session, another joined the Friday beginners sessions, and 5 of the children attended the next Juniors session.

The organisers also managed to raise £8 ion the shelf raffle which was a celebration because not many people carry cash these days.

The committee would like to thank Gillie Ainsley and Lissa Grindrod for organising the day. They would also like to thank and all the coaches and helpers for their time and energy on the day. It was very much appreciated by all of us.

This day was a great success and one we should all be proud of..

Policy and procedures

The committee are working to bring policies and procedures up to date. We are currently developing the following:

- A new members pack
- A guide to carrying out each of the roles on the committee which can then be included in:-
- A new committee member
- A guide for new team organisers.
- A Service Level Agreement (SLA) with Plymouth Active Leisure that sets out the terms and conditions for the relationship between the Club and the management of the life Centre.
- Expenses:
 - Committee expenses
 - Competition and related expenses
- Safeguarding
 - Adults in Bowls
 - Children and young people in Bowls
 - Anti-bullying

Website

We are very pleased to inform you that the website is continuing to be updated, and kept up to date, with relevant information for our members. It remains a work in progress but more and more information is being made available to you. Do take a look.

Members Feedback

The committee are very keen to gain members views about the club. It is important that everyone is given the opportunity to have their say and to give constructive criticism.

Last year, at the AGM, we did this in an "on the spot" way. A document was produced that collated members thoughts, and actions have been taken to address them. This document can be found on the website under club documents.

This coming year, in February, you will be invited to complete an on-line questionnaire which will take about ten minutes of your time. We would like to encourage as many members as possible to complete the questionnaire on line and we will therefore run workshops for those members who do not have access to the internet or who would like to have help completing it.

More information about this will come out nearer the time. However, a draft version can be viewed on the website under club documents.

Praise, Concerns, Suggestions and Complaints

Thought the year we would like to hear from you and have created a dedicated email address to the secretary for this purpose as follows: <u>secretary-</u>

lifecentrebowls@outlook.com If you prefer you can



WhatsApp Success

The ladies secretary would like to thank all lady members who are actively using the WhatsApp group for bowls information. Particularly those skips/team organisers who are sending in result scores that way. It helps enormously to receive a photo of both the signed cards on the day.