

Benevolent Fund Report for 2019 AGM

Unfortunately the Benevolent Fund Co-ordinator, Dawn Barnaby is not well and therefore unable to submit a report.

I have no knowledge of any small gifts she may have arranged for members who were unwell, in hospital or whatever.

As far as the main fund is concerned one application was made this year by Watchet Bowling Club for their member Andrew (Andy) Sully who, in July, whilst working in a loft fell through and as a result received serious injuries. He is self employed and has a young family to support. An award of £3500 was approved. Following this award an application was also made to the Bowls England Charity Trust who matched our award. I am aware that other events have been organised in order to raise fund for Andy and his family. I understand he is still being treated in the Spinal Unit in Salisbury Hospital.

The rules of the Benevolent Fund have been changed, as agreed at last year's AGM, with a view to slowly running it down and will be ratified at the Benevolent Fund AGM which follows. No new members are now allowed and the existing members may retain their membership on the payment of a token fee of £1 per year.

(John Durston)
Trustee