



*Buckfastleigh Bowling Club
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Executive Meeting

Meeting held on 3 July 2019 at 7.30pm.

Present: John Sims – Chairman; Tom Bowden – Secretary & Treasurer; Jeanne Pinney – Vice Chairman; Sonia Bowden – Club Captain; Pauline Manfield – Committee Member. Also present: Terry Humphries; Malcolm Lee; Matt Bowen.

Chairman's Introduction

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting which was called to hear from 3 members who wished to raise a number of matters before the Committee.

Apologies:

Ham Sampford.

Bar Duties

2 issues were raised by Terry Humphries. Firstly, there is an expectation on him to serve drinks when he has been playing for the A team. Secondly, although Terry is happy to restock the bar as required, he pointed out that when others are on bar duty, they very rarely restock the fridges, which obviously leads to additional work from Terry.

It was agreed that the Team Captains will provide bar cover in future, ie the A Team Captain will ensure that the bar is manned for B Team matches, and vice versa. Ladies will be included in the rota.

It was also agreed that a notice will be put on the side of the fridge outlining bar duties, including restocking the fridge.

Action: TB

Competitions

Malcolm raised the issue of all finals being scheduled to be played on the same day. This has led to a reduced entry field and poor attendance. Malcolm suggested that instead we have a 'Family Day' and play all finals **BY** that day. We could then have the day open to family and friends, with some fun competitions and a BBQ. This was well received and it was agreed that we would change to this format for this year onwards.

Additionally, the presentation of trophies and prizes would take place on the Family Day.

The question was then raised if we need to hold an annual dinner. It was agreed to put a list up and see who wants an annual dinner. We need to make a final decision of this by the end of July.

Action: TB

Security

Terry reiterated our recent problems with security of the premises. Although we have now displayed a 'Last One Out' notice.

Darts

This issue has already been discussed and Matt will report back at a later date.

Friendlylies

Matt requested that we should have more friendlylies on a Sunday. This led to a general discussion regarding flexibility in arranging fixtures.

Action: All Fixture Secretaries

Social Evenings

Malcolm thought we should have more social evenings, which has already been addressed by the Committee.

Communication

There was a general discussion regarding communication, particularly in relation to team selection. It was felt more use should be made of text and email messaging, although it was recognised that not all Members have smart phones or even computers.

Food after matches

Malcolm asked for a little more variety in the food after matches. Rather than pasties all the time, perhaps we could have sausage rolls/bacon baps for example.

Action: PM

At this point the Chairman thanked Terry, Malcolm and Matt who then left the meeting.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the Executive Meeting held on 7 June 2019 were signed by the Chairman as correct.

Matters Arising:

1. Fire Extinguishers

A notice needs to be put on the notice board saying where the extinguishers are and what they are for.

Action: TB

2. Neil Edmunds

The Committee should send Neil a card from the Club in a month's time.

Action: JP

3. Plastic Glasses

A sign is needed that only plastic glasses be allowed outside the Clubhouse.

Action: TB

4. Honour Boards

Jeanne reported that the person who has updated the boards in the past no longer provides that service. An alternative sign writer needs to be found.

Action: JP

Any Other Business:

1. Chairman's Announcement

The Chairman announced that he would not be seeking re-election at the next AGM. He believes that the Club needs to be driven forwards by a younger Member. He indicated that he would still remain President of the Club.

2. Letter received from Roger Joint

The Chairman read out a letter that he had received from Roger. Unfortunately Roger will be unable to play for the A team. He also said he wants to resign as Club Coach, Press Officer and Trustee of the Club.

The Chairman will reply to Roger thanking him for his service to the Club.

The Chairman also said he would be willing to take over the now vacant role of Trustee.

Action: JS/TB

Date of next meeting: To be advised.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Signed as correct:

Chairman