



SHREWSBURY & DISTRICT SENIOR CITIZENS BOWLING LEAGUE

MINUTES OF THE 2017 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

Held on Monday 8th January 2018 at Bagley BC starting at 2:00pm

1 Open the Meeting

In the absence of the President the Chairman opened the meeting and paid tribute to deceased members past and present with the following having passed away during the previous 12 months: Jim Backhouse, Neville Poole (Bagley), Ab Molyneaux, Brian Jones, Gaynor Mackey, Marjorie Quest (Baschurch), Paul Evans (Bicton), Michael Gough (Church Stretton), Gerald Bebbington (Dorrington), Tony Coles (Hadnall), Bill Johnson, Norman Cooper (Hanwood), George Hughes, Terry Jackson (Prince of Wales), Len & Daphne Jones, Linda Moore, Keith Rhodes (Sevenside), Ron Edwards (Oxon) and Rex Angel, Eddie Gough, Geoff Hammond (Wem Albion).

2 Apologies for Absence

Apologies had been received from the President (Ed Jackson) and Bowring and with the exception of Albert Road, OSBC, Pontesbury and Telepost all other clubs were present along with the League Secretary/Results Secretary, Chairman and Treasurer.

3 Minutes of 2016 AGM and Matters Arising

These had been made available for viewing/downloading from the League website homepage and so were not read out. Church Stretton proposed and Oswestry Church seconded that they be accepted as a true record and this was passed unanimously. There was just one matter arising relating to the intention of the Treasurer to change to a chequebook account at the Nationwide. Unfortunately they do not offer this facility to accounts such as ours and so she had dropped the idea and would continue as before as it was too much hassle to change banks just to obtain a chequebook.

4 President's Annual Report

The President had asked the Secretary to say that he had nothing specific to report but to thank all those attending for their presence and his sincere thanks to the three League Officers namely: Margaret Cooper (Treasurer), Dave Kibbler (Treasurer) and Chris Kershaw (League Secretary/Fixture Secretary).

5 Chairman's Report

The Chairman indicated that he had nothing to report not covered by the Agenda but felt that the League was in good shape and wished everyone the best for the 2018 season.

6 Hon. Secretary's Report

Once again, I'd like to thank my fellow officers together with all clubs and teams for their support throughout the 2017 season.

We are very fortunate to have such a friendly League to play in and it was gratifying to see a record 61 teams playing in 5 Divisions at the start of this season although we did suffer one team dropping out due to shortage of players during the first half.

That's all I have to say but confirm that I am happy to stand for re-election and wish you all the best for the coming season

7 **Treasurer's Report, Acceptance of the Balance Sheet and Level of Subscriptions**

The Treasurer, Margaret Cooper, produced a clear and concise Balance Sheet showing a healthy profit for the year of £492.98 (previous year's profit was £118.26). The Balance Sheet is included as page 5 of these minutes.

She reminded us that, as agreed at a previous AGM, that the League year end would be to 30th November (rather than 31st December) in order to give more time for auditing prior to the AGM.

She explained in detail the various items of income and expenditure. There were no questions.

Because we had a healthy bank balance of £1,520.00 she did not propose to increase subscriptions for 2018 which would remain the same at £25 per team and she was confident that we would again show a surplus at the end of the 2018 season.

Finally Margaret thanked the auditor, Harold Banks, for checking and authorising the accounts and for the help and assistance he had given her.

Meole Brace proposed and Oswestry Church seconded that we adopt the balance sheet as presented and this was passed unanimously.

8 **Results Secretary's Report**

I continue to be delighted with the way the online results system has enhanced our League with so much information and data being available online for everyone to access. Naturally we will continue with this system for the coming season and I will be formulating the Fixture Lists during the first week in March so any club planning to withdraw or add a team or teams must let me know by the end of February at the very latest. I was saddened that during the early part of the season we lost one team, Pontesbury E.

I'd also like to thank all team captains for getting their weekly results online so quickly with virtually all of them being entered on the Thursday evening after the match with the remaining two or three appearing during the Friday morning.

Teams were reminded that only the home team captain should enter the match results except when they had not been entered by 12noon the following day in which case the away team captain was authorised to enter them.

9 **Vice Chairman's Report**

Nothing to report.

10 **Competition Secretary's Report**

The League **Singles Competition** was held at Severnside on July 5th, again as a mixed competition, which attracted 33 entries although only three of those were ladies! This was an excellent turnout and as usual all first-time losers played in a consolation competition. The eventual winner of the main comp was Dave Povey (Pontesbury A) who beat Ron Crook (Oswestry Church) to 17. The winner of the consolation comp was John Roberts (Oswestry Church) who beat Roger Burton (Severnside B) to 14. Next season's competition will be held on the first Wednesday in July.

The **Wilf Onions Doubles Competition**, due to be held on 2nd August, was not held this season due to the Competitions Organiser recovering from eye surgery, and whilst it was hoped to have held it later in the season, this did not materialise and I apologise for this. However, it will be held in 2018 on the first Wednesday in August.

In the annual **Dixon Cup** match played on September 4th against Mid Shropshire Senior Cits League, we lost by 37 chalks (previous year we lost by 64). Our home team, playing at Old Shrewsbury, drew the match with the away team playing at Sinclair losing the match.

Hopefully we will do better in the 2018 season when the match will be played on September 3rd with the home venue being confirmed at the pre-season meeting in March but likely to be

Old Shrewsbury again as being the one green that the majority of our home players know better than any other green in our league.

President's Day was held on September 14th at Severnside with entries at an all-time low of only 22 due to the wet and windy weather – in 2016 we had 58 entries. The eventual winner was Gordon Cooke (Atcham B) and the runner up, Ron Bishop (Pontesbury C). Also the date clashed with Division 1 League matches and so next season it was planned to hold President's Day on Wednesday 12th September.

In the **Team League K/O Comps**

Pontesbury A beat Craven Arms (107-87) for the **Dick Meyrick Cup**

Battlefield A beat Oxon B (121-58) for the **Ron Smout Cup**

Battlefield B beat Albert Road B (121-55) for the **Sponsors Shield**

Once again, I thoroughly enjoyed organising these competitions and was ably assisted by Margaret Cooper and Dave Kibbler to whom I convey sincere thanks. I confirm that I will be standing for re-election as Competition's Organiser later in the meeting.

11 County Delegate's Report

The Chairman explained that he had shared the attendance at County meetings with the Secretary, Chris Kershaw, and that very little happened at County level which affected the running of this League.

The Secretary mentioned that our League never entered a team in the annual County Veterans Inter-League Competition but if someone was willing to volunteer to become team captain then we could enter a team in 2018. This would be discussed at the pre-season meeting in March.

12A Election of Officers:

Following a proposal by Church Stretton, seconded by Greenfields the following were elected to office by unanimous agreement:

President: Ed Jackson

Chairman: Dave Kibbler

Deputy Chairman: Ed Jackson

Secretary: Chris Kershaw

Treasurer: Margaret Cooper

Results Secretary: Chris Kershaw

12B Election of Other League Officials

Following a proposal by Church Stretton, seconded by Greenfields the following were elected to office by unanimous agreement:

Competition Organiser: Chris Kershaw

Welfare Officer: Chris Kershaw

County Delegates: Dave Kibbler and Chris Kershaw

13 Presentation of League Divisional Awards

The various divisional awards were presented by the Chairman and the Treasurer:

Divisional:

Div 1: winner - **Pontesbury A** (142) and runner up – **Craven Arms** (127)

Div 2: winner - **Battlefield A** (125) and runner up – **Preston Brockhurst A** (119)

Div 3: winner – **Prince of Wales** (105) and runner up – **Bicton A** (100)

Div 4: winner – **Albert Road B** (127) and runner up – **Llanrhaeadr B** (120)

Div 5: winner - **Battlefield B** (126) and runner up – **Atcham B** (109)

Individual:

Div 1: Martin Blizzard (Meole A) – played 24, won 20 = 83%

Div 2: Dave Hyde (Preston Brockhurst A) – played 22, won 21 = 95%

Div 3: Stan Briscoe (Prince of Wales) – played 20, won 18 = 90%

Div 4: Alan Pritchard (Albert Road B) – played 21, won 18 = 86%

Div 5: Gordon Cooke (Atcham B) – played 22, won 21 = 95%

14 Notices of Motion

N of M 1: proposed by Chris Kershaw as Results Secretary and seconded by Dave Kibbler as Chairman:

Add to Rule 10 (d): except where one of the matches is a postponed match and a player had not already played for another club team in the calendar week of the original match date.

This was discussed and this amendment was agreed by a majority vote but that we should indicate that a calendar week ran from Monday to Sunday.

N of M 2: proposed by Severnside BC and seconded by Hadnall BC:

No two teams will be allowed to share a green and in the case of Thursday matches, one team must play on a Wednesday afternoon.

After much discussion, it was agreed by a majority vote that the wording be modified to read:
No two teams will be allowed to share a green on the same afternoon

15 Clubs/Teams leaving the League

Pontesbury E withdrew from the League during the first half of the 2017 season. A possibility that Severnside will not be fielding their B team in 2018 but will confirm by 28 February.

16 Election of new teams wishing to join the League

Written application received from Hanwood to field a third team; a possibility of a third team playing home matches on Wednesday afternoons from Worthen & Brockton but will confirm by 28 February; a possibility of a third team from Old Shrewsbury playing home matches on Thursday afternoons but will confirm by 28 February.

17 Date for the Next Committee Meeting

The 2018 pre-season meeting will be held at Meole Brace BC starting at 2:00pm on a date to be confirmed in March (likely to be either the 19th or 20th). When the date is decided, it will appear on the website and also confirmed by email..

18 Comments From Clubs

There were none.

19 Close the Meeting

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 3:05pm.

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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH NOVEMBER, 2017

INCOME

| | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Subscriptions | 1,525 . 00 | |
| Competition Entry Fees | 137 . 50 | |
| Raffle | 46 . 00 | |
| Bank Interest | 2 . 60 | |
| Sponsorship | <u>300 . 00</u> | 2,011 . 10 |

EXPENDITURE

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|--------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| County Affiliation Fees and Handbook | 27 . 50 | |
| Advertisement in SCGBA Programmes | 50 . 00 | |
| Public Liability Insurance | 47 . 20 | |
| Result/Score Cards | 162 . 12 | |
| Donations | 50 . 00 | |
| Dixon Cup Refreshments | 30 . 00 | |
| Prize Money -League 2017 | 400 . 00 | |
| Prize Money - Competitions | 290 . 00 | |
| Prize Money - Aggregates | 75 . 00 | |
| Green Fees | 222 . 00 | |
| Trophies, Engraving, etc. | 76 . 00 | |
| On Line Bowling Results System | - | |
| Officers' Expenses – | | |
| Secretary/Results Secretary | 78 . 30 | |
| Treasurer | <u>10 . 00</u> | |
| | | <u>88 . 30</u> |
| | | <u>1,518 . 12</u> |

SURPLUS FOR PERIOD

£492 . 98

RECONCILIATION

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|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Opening Balance 01.12.16 | 1,027 . 02 |
| Surplus for Period | <u>492 . 98</u> |
| Closing Balance 30.11.17 | <u>£1,520 . 00</u> |

I have examined the above Statement of Account of Salop Leisure Shrewsbury & District Senior Citizens Bowling League for the year ended 30th November, 2017 and found it to be a true record and in accordance with the books and invoices produced.

Dated

2nd January 2018

Signed

Harold Banks
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