

Hesketh Arms Private Bowling Club

Annual General Meeting Monday 8th February 2017

Held @ Churchtown Conservative Club

1:- Apologies for absence.

Sue Davies, Irene Nowell, Brian Mycock, Sue Andersen, Chris James, Tony Wakefield, Malcolm Hodge, Jeff Brown, Barry Lowe, John McAbe, Alec Rimmer, Jon Roberts, Barry McArthur, Pat McArthur, Noel Morgans

2:- Minutes Silence.

A minutes silence was observed in remembrance of the following members who had passed away since the last AGM .Jimmy Huyton, John Howard

3:- Minutes of 2015 AGM

The minutes of the 2016 AGM had been previously circulated and on web site, the meeting agreed to take the minutes as being read.

The minutes were proposed as a true record by Richard Rawcliffe and seconded by Graham Meadow, The meeting passed the minutes.

4:- Matters arising:-

There were no matters arising.

5:- Chairman's report:-

The chairman expressed his thanks to BJP O'Malley for his continued financial support in funding the over winter maintenance of the green

The chairman expressed his thanks to the Committee including the secretary and Treasurer.

The completion of the new toilet was a welcome addition to the clubs facilities.

Membership remained high with 150 Members.

The Chairman detailed the clubs 9 team's achievements in the various leagues and thanked the captains for a job well done.

The 7 club competitions were well supported as were the weekend round robins. The chairman thanked Mike Milne for his running of the competitions.

The Tuesday and Friday round robin had proved a great success and raised money for the club, the chairman thanked Jim Finnimore for organising this event.

The chairman expressed his thanks to all the members who had helped out with the odd jobs around the green.

We held our first open competition and the second running of our junior competition. Both events received many positive comments from visiting bowlers.

The green was also used by The Southport Ladies Inter-town teams and the Southport Federation team in a memorable occasion that the whole town was talking about.

The club was now running 9 teams, LV 3, Aughton League 2, Southport Vets, Burscough League, and Parks League, and Maghull mixed.

New for 2017

We will be entering two 2 new teams in Southport vets and Burscough League

Ray Suttons 2 year term as President has come to an end. A big thank you to Ray and Francis

A second challenge match has been arranged against Bootle Cricket Club

Further investment will be required in the coming year, the main item being a new mower.

Volunteers will be required for pre season tidy up.

The chairman thanked all those who attended our awards and race night evenings which were good social evening as well as raising funds for the club.

The chairman thanked the committee members for their work and input into the running of the club.

Finally the chairman thanked all club members who without their continued full support we would not be the club we are.

The chairman asked for any questions on his report, none were forthcoming.

6:- Treasurers Report.

The treasurer gave his thanks to:-

1:- The team captains for help in collecting annual subs and match fees £800+

2:- Mr Bernard O'Malley for his financial help in paying for the end of season work. £1300.

3:- Jim Finnimore for running the Round Robins which raised £600+

4:- The Auditors Leo and Mark

A detailed income and expenditure account was presented to the meeting.

The treasurer explained the income and expenditure in detail. The main income being subscriptions of £4695.00 helped by last year's increase of £5 per member. We will start 2017 with funds of £5924.42.

The accounts were proposed to be accepted by Peter Smith and seconded by Dave Warrior Passed by the meeting

The membership passed the accounts.

7 Auditors

The auditors L Tobin and M Rowlinson expressed the exemplary way in which the accounts were kept.

8 Subscriptions 2013.

The Treasurer and committee recommended that the subscriptions to remain at £40 full member £20 social member and £17.50 for Junior Playing Members Match subs 50p per player per match, Greenage fees of £2.00 per visit, Limited to 5 visits.

Proposed by D White Seconded by Bill Nowell Passed by the meeting

9:- Proposals

"All communication will be done electronically, by email and published on the clubs web site." Proposed by the Chairman, secretary and Treasurer. Seconded by Judith Farrell. Passed by meeting

10:- Team Reports

A brief report on the leagues was given by G Hitchmough. The web site will be updated when the fixtures are released by the leagues.

11:- Election of Officers for 2013

President: - John Stennett Proposed by THE COMMITTEE Seconded Graham Meadow

Honorary Vice Presidents, BJP O'Malley and Richard Butterworth.

Chairman: - Chris Harding Proposed Ray Sutton Seconded Terry Corfield

Vice Chairman Bill Nowell Proposed Peter Smith Seconded Janice Hobson

Hon Secretary G Hitchmough Proposed Bill Nowell Seconded Steve Lomas

Treasurer M Milne Proposed Richard John Rimmer Seconded Dave Warrior

Project Manager: - Graham Meadow Proposed Jim Hallsall Seconded Roger Van Beever

Passed by the meeting

It was agreed that a separate meeting would take place of all team captains with the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer present to ensure communication with the main committee. At least 2 meeting per season

Team Captains:-

Eagles Chris Harding

Falcons Ray Sutton

Harriers John Stennett / George Hitchmough

Hawks George Hitchmough

Hobbys Roger Van Beever

Kestrels Richard Rawcliffe

Ospreys Mark Rowlinson

Kites Brian Mycock

Merlins George Hitchmough

Maghull League: - Sue Davis

Vultures Chris Harding

Auditors Leo Tobin, M Rowlinson

All agreed and passed by the meeting

12 Any Other Business

Green will open March 2nd April with a Round Robin

Tuesday and Friday Round Robins will commence 4th April

Dave Warrior requested that any communications to be available in hard copy kept in the club house.

Jim Hallsall requested information regarding the wet patches on the green. Members of the committee were meeting at the green with our greens man and this matter will be pursued.

Meeting closed at 8.43