**MINUTES OF**

**ESMBC COMMITTEE MEETING**

**HELD ON THURSDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2023**

**930 AM AT CLUBHOUSE**

**Present:** Dennis McGuinnes(Chair) Pauline Shipway (Sec) Steph Taylor (Match Sec), Mike

White (Treasurer), Roger Dobbing and Margaret Weeden

1. **Apologies**  None all present
2. **Previous Minutes –** The minutes were agreed as correct, signed and copy sent to ST for the

the website.

1. **Matters Arising -**  There were no matters arising.
2. **Chairman’s Report:** It was noted that we are leaving SHAB with some sadness and the

hope was that we would enter again next season.

1. **Secretary’s Report:** We do need a Centre Management representative for the short mat

Club and would make more enquiries of members. It was pointed out that Trustees do

not run the club. Funding should come through the Centre Management not individual

clubs. It was also suggested Jon Koefman should be asked to clear the outside gutters

and the smaller jobs left to the Centre Management committee members.

The outdoor club has asked for permission to use the clubhouse for their AGM on 9th

November 2023 and this was agreed.

The AGM for SCSMBA is to be held on 18th April at Wey Valley and the notice has been

placed on the noticeboard.

The membership list has been finalised and RD will send it to all current members.

1. **Treasurer’s Report:** The accounts were passed to committee and agreed. The order for

**c**lub shirts will be sent once we have a minimum amount to order.

1. **Match Secretary’s Report:** Starting with the Surrey Triples League, run by Roger Dobbing,

eleven games have been played and we have won four. All hard fought games and very

close scores.

In the Wednesday Woking Borough League, run by Elaine Philipson, we have played 15

games and won six. The Thursday afternoon League, run by Margaret Weeden, we have

played 13 games and won 8 of them.

The Magpies , run by Jacki Mackenzie, have played 8 matches, won one, and drawn one.

Again, some very close scores and very hard fought matches.

Lastly, the SHAB League this year was a ‘non-starter’ for Ewhurst as we had to pull out of

this league, along with several other clubs, due to lack of the necessary 8 players for each

match. However, myself and Val Sloman (Vice Capt) have already been having con-

versations about the next season for SHAB. Several practice sessions have been run, mainly

for new members who we think show promise. These players not only show promise but

they are also very enthusiastic about improving their game and are very happy to take on

board the skills needed to compete in this and other leagues not only at our club but at Wey

Valley and other venues. We have high hopes for next season in the league but the future

still hangs in the balance as so many clubs are struggling to find suitable players this season.

**8 Items for Discussion:**

**Competitions:** The Novice bowlers competition was successful with Graham Prall and

Fran Harris in the final. The Drawn Pairs competition form is on the board but we do need

more entrants.

**Social:** The Kurling evening was very successful. A bridge tea is being organised.

**Newsletter:** Sheena Hall is helping to produce this and doing a verygood job.

**Facilities:** The car park is due to be tarmacked. There have been some problems with the

**n**ew door but these are being rectified by P&P Glass.

**Any other business:**  It was suggested that the large fridge in the kitchen could be

**r**emoved as it was not being used but this would have to be discussed with the outdoor

club.

ST said that some clubs were on social media and suggested we could do this with ESMBC

to obtain more members. This will be looked into for the future..

Bill Hames asked if we were not in SHAB would we consider his Club’s League.

The Presentation Lunch menu suggestions were passed to committee and it was agreed

that Menu B at £24 plus 10% was good value. This is to be held on 8th June and we do

require 30/40 members. MWe will contact the restaurant to confirm.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 1125 am

1. **Date of next Meeting – Thursday 23rd March at 10 am**

Pauline Shipway Dennis McGuinnes

Hon Sec Chairman

February 2023