

MINUTES

ESMBC COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY 1ST JULY 2021 HELD AT AVENUE ROAD, CRANLEIGH

Present: Dennis McGuinness (Chair) Pauline Shipway (Sec) Steph Taylor (Match Sec), Mike White (MW) (Treasurer), Roger Dobbing and Margaret Weeden (MWe)

- 1 **Apologies** None all present
- 2 **Previous Minutes** – The minutes were agreed as correct, signed and a copy placed on the club website.
- 3 **Matters Arising** - DMc has acknowledged the email from Roger Newman regarding the Government grant. RD will reprint 50 club brochures. RD will also design a poster for the club to advertise our activities in Ewhurst. The request from EBC for volunteers at the Ewhurst carnival in August was discussed and ST has said she would be prepared to attend. Other members might also be available.
- 4 **Chairman's Report:** The roll ups are proceeding smoothly and thanks are due to our Committee in the organising and stewarding of these events.

SCSMBA committee has decided that no further Surrey club will be asked to produce any further Safe Bowls Certificates. Clubs wishing to re-enter the fold of bowling will be asked to follow the protocols as far as practicable.

The latest issue from Barry Hedges (ESMBA) about relaxation of the rules is a nonsense but could be used to advantage. He has obviously forgotten the context of the "rule of six" to which he refers.

DMc has produced an amended Draft Constitution for **SCSMBA**, the changes in the main concern the abolishing of the vice chair and vice president roles and a reduction in the size of the committee. At almost every AGM DMc has attended there has been a discussion during the meeting about the voting powers of the committee members as independents. DMc has added that detail with the Chair still having a casting vote. There is much to be decided.

- 5 **Secretary's Report:** An email was received from Gordon Beddall that he is not receiving Emails from the club. I have replied that we do have the correct details on our members list but also sent the AGM Notice and nomination forms to him which he has now received. Gordon also asked about receipts for subscriptions and was advised that these are not sent but a registration card is issued once the member has paid.

The Roll Up on 30th June had only two entries, both ladies, and as they were unable to help with the rolling out of the mat and setting up the equipment it was decided that we would not run the session for that morning. However, Jackie Wright, one of the members was disappointed that there was not more support from members to attend. Jackie also pointed out that several committee members played on Saturdays and felt they should mix more with members. This observation was not correct as committee members play at other

times in the week and at every session there is a committee member stewarding and who is available should it be necessary to make up the numbers. All members are able to enter for the weekend sessions. There is no restriction whatsoever.

6 Treasurer's Report: The accounts were passed to the committee.

7 Match Secretary's Report: Nothing to report. July 19th might see some events starting.

8 Items for Discussion:

Competitions: No change. After restrictions are lifted we could start playing the outstanding competitions and this can be discussed at our next committee meeting.

Social:

Newsletter: This issue is due out at beginning of July. Also an email will be sent to Members reminding them of the AGM on 22nd July.

Facilities: The heating system has now been repaired.

9 Any other business: **MW** said that the bowls provided by the club were not kept in the correct boxes and we are now getting too many bowls many of which are old and these should be sorted out. Also we had a donation of 00 bowls and accessories from Mrs Gunter and **PS will send a letter of thanks** to her.

MW suggested that a motion should be put to the AGM regarding the sharing of the Government grant equally between the two clubs and this was agreed in principle. Jackie Wright has proposed a question on these lines to be discussed at the AGM.

The Sunday roll ups have not been attended at all this season so it was agreed that they should be taken off the booking form. It was also agreed that session leaders will be required in future and an email is being sent to all members for volunteers to cover these.

With regard to the complaint from Jackie Wright **DMc will respond by email.**

10 Date of next Meeting Thursday 5th August 11 am at the Clubhouse

Meeting closed at 1245

Pauline Shipway
Hon Sec
July 2021

Dennis McGuinness
Chairman ESMBC