

MINUTES

ESMBC COMMITTEE MEETING 10 AM THURSDAY 27TH JANUARY 2022 HELD AT EWHURST CLUBHOUSE

Present: Dennis McGuinness (DMcG) (Chair) Pauline Shipway (PS)(Sec) Steph Taylor (ST) (Match Sec), Mike White (ME) (Treasurer) Roger Dobbing (RD) 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** - RD has discussed the Wey Valley penalty with Bill Hames and this is due to the fee which has to be paid for the hall.

The Fling has been reorganised for 4th February and snacks will be provided and the first drink from the bar free. The Star Cup has been played and was a great success.

- 4 **Chairman's Report:** Nothing to report
- 5 **Secretary's Report:** Notice of the Surrey county SMBA AGM on 12th April is on the board. We have been advised by Roger Newman that the web site support lady is now available for training ST and we will be contacted in due course.

The outdoor ladies have asked for use of the clubhouse for a coffee morning on 19th February which is agreed. The Social committee has asked for use of the clubhouse on 26th February for a Shuffleboard event and this is agreed.

- 6 **Treasurer's Report:** The accounts were passed to the committee and agreed. The Annual Accounts for 2020/21 have now been audited. **PS to arrange a date for an EGM** for presentation of the accounts to members.

Ewhurst Parish Council is organising events for the Queen's Jubilee celebrations and MW suggested that this **should be discussed at the next committee meeting**. This will include participation of both short mat and outdoor clubs.

- 7 **Match Secretary's Report:** In the Surrey Triples Ewhurst is still in the bottom half with three wins and seven losses.

In the Woking Borough League Ewhurst has won five games and lost eleven and are now in the bottom half.

The Thursday Afternoon League are still in a good position having won seven and lost four and are now 6 points off the top team.

In the SHAB Knockout the Ewhurst Reds have one match to complete. At the moment we are in top position in our group but the Ripley boys have not lost any of their matches

so will end up in the top of our group.

Our Magpies friendly teams have played some really strong teams and have won 4 and lost 2 of their games. PS advised the meeting that due to June Ives health problems Jackie Mackenzie has temporarily taken over the organising of the Magpies and our thanks to her for her support.

Items for Discussion:

Competitions: All competitions are progressing well. The Novice Bowlers will be played on 29th January. Forms are on the board for Mixed Pairs and Drawn Pairs. With regard to the mixed pairs this could be restricting entries so might be changed to Open Pairs and could be tried next season.

Social: Shuffleboard on 26th February.

Newsletter : Nothing to report. Articles always required.

Facilities: We have received the revised Bowls Centre Management rules. MW to take proposals forward to Trustees and suggested that nothing should be decided until we are fully represented at the Trustees' meeting. The committee thanked MW for all his work.

We are still awaiting the estimate for the replacement front door.

We have an electrician testing the electrics for the clubhouse.

MW raised the matter of the Risk Assessment suggestion sent to us and DMcG advised this would be looked into but at the moment we should not over-react. If we are directed to do this we will respond.

DMcG is still looking into the provision of a ventilation system.

- 9 Any other business:** ST raised the matter of novice bowlers knowing the basics of bowling before entering competitions.

RD advised that he had been asked if the young people of a church could come to the club to learn to play short mat bowls. This was agreed and **RD will be arranging this.**

- 10 Date of next Meeting : 10 am Thursday 3rd March 2022**

Meeting closed at 1140 am

Pauline Shipway
Hon Sec
February 2022

Dennis McGuinness
Chairman ESMBC